

**CITY OF MASCOUTAH
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
#3 WEST MAIN STREET
MASCOUTAH, IL 62258-2030**

APRIL 16, 2018

The minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Mascoutah.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City prayer was delivered by City Clerk Kari Haas. The Council remained standing and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Gerald Daugherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Gerald Daugherty and Council members Paul Schorr, John Weyant, Pat McMahan, and Michael Baker.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Cody Hawkins, City Clerk Kari Haas, City Attorney Al Paulson, Assistant City Manager Mike Bolt, Police Chief Scott Waldrup, Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner, Fire Chief Joe Zinck, City Engineer Tom Quirk, Public Works Coordinator Jesse Carlton, and EMS Supervisor Jeremy Gottschammer.

Establishment of a Quorum: A quorum of City Council members was present.

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the April 2, 2018 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented. The minutes of the April 2, 2018 Executive Session meeting were presented and approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ed and Vina Haggerty – Spoke regarding a letter they received about his motor home being parked in his driveway; letter states that he can park his mobile home on the street for 48 hours but voiced concerns over the fact that he lives on Harnett which is a very busy street and would be clear and present danger; asking for a resolution to meet in the middle; parks his mobile home in his driveway when they are loading and unloading then it is parked at a storage facility they pay rent for.

Jesse Huerta – Stated he is the new post commander and introduced the new officers of the VFW Post 7682 and provided an update on the happenings at the VFW.

Justin Schulte – Spoke regarding issues with his easement and asphalt eroding away next to the gutter in front of his house. City Manager stated that it is a state road but if he contacts the City Engineer we can help to facilitate contact with IDOT to try to get a fix to the issues.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Chief Joe Zinck – March 2018 report was provided.

Police Chief Scott Waldrup – March 2018 report was provided. Councilman Schorr asked about the policy manual and if it was an update or is there not one in place. Police Chief stated that the current policy manual is more of a list of general orders and not a real policy manual which is what the department will be working towards.

Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner – Monthly financials provided.

City Engineer Tom Quirk – Status report on public projects and monthly building report were provided. Councilman Weyant asked about the Phase II Electric project easements and possible co-locating with Ameren. City Manager stated that a meeting is scheduled with Ameren on April 26th so will have an update after that. City Attorney stated that they have a conference call with the ICC tomorrow morning so will have an update after that. Mayor asked what state STP funds are. City Engineer stated that it is Surface Transportation Program but would have to get more information on the details. Councilman Baker asked about the grant that was applied for on finishing the sidewalk replacement and other Uptown Plan improvements on Main Street up to the post office. City Engineer stated that he will get an update on that grant application.

SWEARING IN

Joel Veres was sworn in as a Mascoutah Police Officer by City Clerk Kari Haas.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Mayor presented proclamation to City Clerk Kari Haas proclaiming May 6th-12th, 2018 as Municipal Clerks Week.

Mayor presented proclamation to Leu Civic Center proclaiming April, 2018 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Attended the following meetings and functions: Chamber meeting, volunteered at the Visitor's Center, visited the family who was the recipient of the Veteran's home, hosted in conjunction with Rotary Club a presentation at Visitor's Center by Ret. Gen. John Hughes who is the Director of Military Affairs for St. Clair County, presentation at Scott AFB for local leaders.

City Council

Schorr – Nothing to report.

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: Rotary presentation at Visitor's Center by Ret. Gen. John Hughes.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: Rotary presentation at Visitor's Center by Ret. Gen. John Hughes.

Baker – Nothing to report.

City Manager – Nothing to report.

City Attorney – Nothing to report.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR (OMNIBUS)

The March 2018 Fund Balance Report and Claims & Salaries Report were provided under the omnibus consideration.

Councilman Schorr asked about the trimmer and pressure washer purchase. City Manager stated that it was for the Parks Department but he would have to look into it.

Councilman Baker asked the purchases from the Khoury League. City Manager stated that the Kubota was for the ballfield maintenance and was appraised; the City offered less which was accepted by the Khoury League; other items were the equipment within the concession stand (hot dog machine, popcorn machine, cooler).

Councilman Baker asked about the street sweeper training and if that was included in the purchase. City Manager stated that training was not included in the purchase and the training included maintenance and operation training.

Weyant moved, seconded by McMahan, to accept all items under Omnibus consideration.

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

CODE CHANGE – BALL FIELD USE AND REGULATIONS (SECOND READING)

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of revisions to Chapter 31 – Recreation and Parks, Article VIII – Ball Field Use Rules and Regulations of the City Code by adoption of ordinance.

Schorr moved, seconded by McMahan, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 18-06, thereby modifying Chapter 31 – Recreation and Parks, amending Article VIII – Ball Field Use Rules and Regulations.

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

PC 18-02 – REZONING OF 602 W. MAIN ST., PARCEL #10-31-0-134-009, FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL (GC) TO OFFICE (O) (SECOND READING)

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of a rezoning application for 602 W. Main St., parcel #10-31-0-134-009 from General Commercial (GC) to Office (O).

Councilman Schorr commented on the applicant not being present at the meetings and stated that he believes it would be important for them to attend to state their case and to address any questions.

Baker moved, seconded by Weyant, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 18-07, approving the rezoning request of 602 W. Main St., Parcel #10-31-0-134-009, from General Commercial (GC) to Office (O).

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

IDOT RESOLUTION / EXPENDITURE OF MFT FUNDS FOR MAINTENANCE OF STREETS AND HIGHWAYS

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of resolution approving the 2018 Motor Fuel Tax Maintenance Program beginning May 1, 2018 and ending April 30, 2019.

Councilman Weyant asked if MFT funds can be used to paint crosswalks. City Engineer stated that he believes it could. City Manager stated that if we wanted to add that later we could do an amendment to the budget to include the expense.

McMahan moved, seconded by Weyant, to approve and adopt IDOT Resolution No. 17-18-28, a Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality under the Illinois Highway Code.

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

BID AWARD – FIBER SWITCHES

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval and authorization of bid for furnishing and installing fiber switches citywide.

Councilman Baker commented on not having another bid on a project with this high of an amount. City Manager stated that we could get another price on the switches but the switches have to be programmed so you would want the same company who is going to be maintaining them to also do the programming.

Council discussed the purchase and was in consensus to put bid specs together and obtain another bid on equipment and installation.

Schorr moved, seconded by Weyant, to table item.

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Mayor commented on the recreational vehicles code and stated that he has received complaint calls regarding the regulations. Council discussed and decided to review the regulations to see if there are any changes that need to be made.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ed Haggerty – Asked to have a meeting with the City Manager to further clarify what he should do especially with the safety concerns.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Schorr moved, seconded by Weyant, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Section (2)(c)(1) – Union Contract Agreements at 7:47 p.m.

Motion passed. AYE's – Schorr, Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – none.

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

Schorr moved, seconded by McMahan, to return to Regular Session at 8:15 p.m.

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

UNION CONTRACT AGREEMENTS

McMahan moved, seconded by Baker, to approve the union contracts with Laborers Local 742, Policemen's Benevolent Labor Committee, and Mascoutah EMS Local 4412 for the period of May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2021, and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

Motion passed. AYE's – Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Daugherty. NAY's – Schorr.

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to **adjourn at 8:17 p.m.**

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Kari D. Haas, City Clerk