

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

MARCH 15, 2021

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

PUBLIC HEARING – FY21/22 BUDGET

Mayor Gerald Daugherty called the Budget Public Hearing to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Gerald Daugherty and Council members John Weyant, Pat McMahan, Michael Baker, and Walter Battas.

Absent:

None.

Other Staff Present:

City Manager Brad Myers, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, Assistant City Manager Kari Speir, Public Works Director Jesse Carlton and City Engineer Tom Quirk.

Discussion:

City Manager and Finance Coordinator presented reports for the City of Mascoutah FY21/22 Budget.

Mayor Gerald Daugherty closed the discussion at 6:36 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Mayor Gerald Daugherty and Council members John Weyant, Pat McMahan, Michael Baker, and Walter Battas.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Brad Myers, Assistant City Manager Kari Speir, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Attorney Al Paulson, Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner,

Fire Chief Joe Zinck (virtual), City Engineer Tom Quirk, Public Works Director Jesse Carlton, EMS Supervisor Jeremy Gottschammer and Police Chief Scott Waldrup.

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

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the March 1, 2021 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented. The minutes of the March 1, 2021 Executive Session meetings were presented and approved as presented. The minutes of the March 8, 2021 City Council Budget Workshop were presented and approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Chief Joe Zinck – February 2021 monthly report was provided.

Police Chief Scott Waldrup – February 2021 monthly report was provided.

Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner – February 2021 monthly financials were provided.

Public Works Director Jesse Carlton – February 2021 building and status report was provided.

City Engineer Tom Quirk – February 2021 status report on public projects was provided.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Attended the following meetings and functions: Chamber meeting, EDC meeting, Budget Workshop, Military Affairs meeting, Parks and Recreation meeting, Phase II Electric meetings, Aero Space Project meeting (virtual), and helped with the flag pole project at Scheve Park.

City Council

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and function: Person of the Year – Chamber meeting.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and function: Person of the Year – Chamber meeting, Lions meeting, Rotary meeting, MIA meeting, and worked on the flag pole project at Scheve Park.

Baker –Nothing to report.

Battas – Attended the following meetings and functions: MAC meeting.

City Manager

Attended the following meetings and functions: Chamber meeting, MAC meeting, YMCA meeting, Health Insurance meeting, Parks and Recreation meeting, Waste Management Contract meeting, Staff meeting, SCADA meeting, TIF meetings, Landowner/Easement meetings, multiple meetings in reference to development to the north.

City Attorney – Reported that the St. Clair County Court House is opening back up.

City Clerk – Nothing to Report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR (OMNIBUS)

The February 2021 Fund Balance Report and Claims & Salaries Report were provided under the omnibus consideration.

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

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

BUDGET21/22 – PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE (FIRST READING)

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval and adoption of the City's FY21/22 Budget.

There was no further discussion.

First reading. No action required.

CODE CHANGE – ELECTRIC, WATER & SEWER RATES (FIRST READING)

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of revisions to Chapter 11 – Electric System and Chapter 38 – Water and Sewer Rates of the City Code.

City Manager explained that for the upcoming Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the Finance Committee and staff are recommending no increase for electric rates, but are recommending an increase for water/sewer rates due to the Waste Water Treatment Plant expansion.

There was no further discussion.

First reading. No action required.

CODE CHANGE – BUILDING CODE ADOPTION (FIRST READING)

City Manager presented report for Council approval of code changes to update the building codes adopted by the City from 2003 to 2012 stating that the changes are consistent with what surrounding towns and St. Clair County are using.

There was no further discussion.

First reading. No action required.

BID AWARD – NORTH SUBSTATION UPGRADES, TRANSFORMER AND SWITCHGEAR PURCHASE.

City Manager presented report for Council approval to purchase a transformer and switchgear for the North Substation upgrades.

There was no further discussion.

McMahan moved, seconded by Battas, that the Council approve the purchase of a 20MVA transformer from SPX of Waukesha, WI in the amount of \$1,128,220.00 and approve the purchase of switchgear from Powercon of Severn, MD in the amount of \$1,158,501.00 and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

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

BID AWARD – CEMETERY MOWING

City Manager presented report for Council approval and authorization of bid for furnishing all labor, equipment and means for the mowing of the Mascoutah City Cemetery.

There was no further discussion.

Battas moved, seconded by McMahan, that the Council approve the low bid for furnishing all labor, equipment and means for the mowing of the Mascoutah City Cemetery to LePere Lawn Care in the amount of \$1,100.00 per grass cutting for the approximate time period of April 1, 2021 to October 31, 2021 and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

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

PC 21-02, CHAPTER 34 CODE CHANGES – FENCES (SECOND READING)

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of text amendments to Chapter 34 – Unified Land Development code by adoption of ordinance. City manager explained that the following text amendments to Chapter 34 – Unified Land Development Code of the Mascoutah City Code of Ordinances: Section 34-3-6 – Fences, walls and hedges will clarify definition of properties having two frontages.

There was no further discussion.

Baker moved, seconded by Weyant, that the City Council approve the text amendments to Chapter 34 – Unified Land Development code of the Mascoutah City Code of Ordinances by adoption of Ordinance No. 21-04.

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

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Councilman Battas asked how the search was going for lifeguards. Staff stated that we are slowly receiving a few applications.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

City Manager told Mayor and Council that the City has had very positive feedback about the new flag pole project at Scheve Park.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

McMahan moved, seconded by Battas, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Purchase/Lease of Property – Section 2(c)(5), Litigation – Section 2(c)(11) and Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) at 7:43 p.m.

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

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Battas, to adjourn at 10:07 p.m.

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Melissa Schanz, City Clerk