

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

JANUARY 3, 2017

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, Council members Ben Grodeon, Paul Schorr, John Weyant and Pat McMahan.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Cody Hawkins, City Clerk Kari Haas, City Attorney Al Paulson, Assistant City Manager Mike Bolt, and City Engineer Tom Quirk.

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

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the December 19, 2016 regular City Council meeting were presented and the minutes were approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Attended the following meetings and functions: SLM Water Commission meeting, meeting with Parks & Recreation Commission member Amy Gaultney regarding playground for the developmentally disabled, Chief Bruce Fleshren's retirement luncheon, volunteered at the Visitor's Center, City Engineer Ron Yeager's retirement luncheon.

City Council

Grodeon – Attended the following meetings and functions: Chief Bruce Fleshren's retirement luncheon.

Schorr – Attended the following meetings and functions: School Board meeting, Chief Bruce Fleshren's retirement luncheon, City Engineer Ron Yeager's retirement luncheon.

Weyant – Nothing to report.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: Chief Bruce Fleshren's retirement luncheon, City Engineer Ron Yeager's retirement luncheon.

City Manager – Nothing to report.

City Attorney – Nothing to report.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

SWEARING IN

Scott Waldrup was sworn in as Police Chief by City Clerk Kari Haas.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

PC 16-12 – HOLY CHILDHOOD, E. GREEN VACATION BETWEEN N. JOHN AND N. INDEPENDENCE STREETS

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of an ordinance to vacate East Green Street between North John Street and North Independence Street.

Councilman Schorr asked about the vacation being for the whole street but only a portion of it will be blocked off. City Manager stated that a portion of the street will remain open for access to the parking lot and for teacher parking. Councilman Schorr asked who will be responsible for the maintenance of the street. City Manager stated that the church will be responsible for maintenance of the street; City will be maintaining a utility easement.

Councilman Grodeon asked if any further comments were received from neighboring residents. City Manager stated that no further comments have been received.

McMahan moved, seconded by Weyant, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 17-01, approving the East Green Street vacation.

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

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Councilman Grodeon asked about the Sixth Street and Harnett Street intersection and asked for the discussion to be brought back for future action. City Manager stated that he will speak with the school district and look at the different options for that intersection.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Weyant moved, seconded by Grodeon, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Discussion of Police Chief Employment Agreement at 7:14 p.m.

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

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to return to Regular Session at 7:46 p.m.

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT – POLICE CHIEF / DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Weyant moved, seconded by McMahan, to approve the Employment Agreement with Scott Waldrup for the position of Police Chief / Director of Public Safety.

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

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to **adjourn at 7:48 p.m.**

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Kari D. Haas, City Clerk