

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

**NOVEMBER 2, 2015**

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

**AUDIT PRESENTATION**

Mayor Gerald Daugherty called the discussion to order at 6:30 p.m.

*Present:*

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

*Absent:*

None.

*Other Staff Present:*

City Manager Cody Hawkins, City Clerk Kari Haas, Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner, and Assistant City Manager Lisa Koerkenmeier.

*Discussion:*

Kevin Tepen with C.J. Schlosser & Company, LLC presented the audit and financial statements for Fiscal Year ended April 30, 2015.

Mayor Gerald Daugherty closed the discussion at 6:51 p.m.

**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, City Engineer Ron Yeager, and Assistant City Manager Lisa Koerkenmeier.

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

## **AMEND AGENDA**

None.

## **MINUTES**

The minutes of the October 19, 2015 regular City Council meeting were presented and stood as presented.

***Motion passed.*** Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

## **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

### *Mayor*

Presented proclamation to the VFW proclaiming November 7, 2015 as VFW Buddy Poppy Day.

Attended the following meetings and functions: Chamber mingle, online IML Executive Committee meeting, SLM Water Commission meeting, SWIL Council of Mayors meeting, Fire Department Mulligan, Leu Civic Center Halloween event, hosted the annual Prayer Breakfast, Finance Committee meeting, annual Charter holiday greeting video at Lindenwood University, site selection meeting for the NGA, annual wine and cheese event at the Senior Center.

### *City Council*

Grodeon – Attended the following meetings and functions: Fire Department Mulligan, Leu Civic Center Halloween parade.

Schorr – Attended the following meetings and functions: State Attorney's Government Ethics class at SWIC, Fire Department Mulligan, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast.

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: MIA meeting, Mascoutah Athletic Commission fundraising event, Leu Civic Center Halloween event, ghost stories event at the Cemetery Chapel, Mayor's Prayer Breakfast.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: MIA meeting, Leu Civic Center Halloween event.

*City Manager* – Nothing to report.

*City Attorney* – Nothing to report.

*City Clerk* – Nothing to report.

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **CODE CHANGE – STOP INTERSECTIONS (FIRST READING)**

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of an ordinance to amend Schedule A – Stop Intersections.

Councilman Schorr asked about the stop intersection at Hackberry. City Engineer stated that it will now be a 3-way stop at the intersection of North Tenth Street and Hackberry.

Councilman Schorr commented on the drive off of 6<sup>th</sup> Street that leads to the Trinity Services building on North 6<sup>th</sup> Street and that there is no stop sign at that location. City Manager stated that he will look into it.

Councilman Schorr asked about the street in Chief View Estates and the need for a stop sign there and when that would be done. City Engineer stated that the street signs are on order and will place a stop sign after the street signs are in and an ordinance is adopted to add the stop intersection. Council was in agreement to go ahead and include that stop intersection with this ordinance.

First reading. No action required.

### **COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

Council discussed the trip reports from the IML Annual Conference.

Mayor stated that he received information and sample resolutions regarding support for the site location of the NGA and will have that ready for the next City Council meeting.

### **CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

City Manager provided information on the Public Works Coordinator position and have internally talked about bringing on another PE. City Manager stated that the current City Engineer will be retiring in about 15 months and have talked internally about hiring another PE and with that there could be about 6 months overlay with additional salary to allow for cross-training. City Manager stated that if they brought on another PE, the Public Works Coordinator position would be put on hold. City Manager stated that he wanted to get Council's thoughts. Council discussed the information and was in general agreement regarding hiring another PE at some point in the next budget year. City Manager will evaluate the needs and bring more information to Council during budget discussions.

City Manager provided information regarding right-of-ways located on stub streets on the east side of town that abut the old junk yard. City Manager stated that he has been approached by several property owners that would like to have the right-of-ways vacated. Council was in agreement to have staff evaluate the requests.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Matt Stukenberg – commented on the trip reports discussed by the Council. Stated that his biggest complaint that he hears from tenants of the apartments is the requirement for

residents to have to come in to City Hall between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to obtain an occupancy permit and would like the Council to look into possibly making that available electronically.

#### **ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Grodeon moved, seconded by Schorr, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Personnel – Section 2(c)(1) – Wastewater Treatment Plant Position at 8:20 p.m.

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

#### **RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

Schorr moved, seconded by Grodeon, to return to Regular Session at 8:31 p.m.

*Motion passed.* Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to **adjourn at 8:33 p.m.**

*Motion passed.* Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

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Kari D. Haas, City Clerk