

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

**DECEMBER 5, 2022**

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

**PUBLIC HEARING**

Mayor Pat McMahan called the workshop to order at 6:31 p.m.

*Present:*

Mayor Pat McMahan and Council members John Weyant, Walter Battas, Nick Seibert, and Eric Kohrmann.

*Absent:*

None.

*Other Staff Present:*

City Manager Becky Ahlvin, Assistant City Manager Kari Speir, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Attorney Al Paulson, Public Works Director Jesse Carlton, and Lieutenant Matt Steinkamp.

*Discussion:*

City Manager provided information to Council regarding the Special Service Area 2022 Tax Levy.

*Adjournment:*

Mayor Pat McMahan adjourned the workshop at 6:35 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 Pat McMahan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Mayor Pat McMahan and Council members John Weyant, Walter Battas, Nick Seibert and Eric Kohrmann.

*Absent:* None.

*Other Staff Present:* City Manager Becky Ahlvin, Assistant City Manager Kari Speir, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Attorney Al Paulson, Public Works Director Jesse Carlton and Lieutenant Matt Steinkamp.

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

#### **AMEND AGENDA**

Weyant moved, seconded by Battas, to amend the agenda to add Personnel 2(c)1 to Executive Session.

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

#### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the November 21, 2022 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented. The minutes of the November 21, 2022 Executive Session meeting were presented and approved as presented.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Eric Mercer, a resident of Mascoutah, voiced some concerns about his property, violation tickets, the police department and administrative staff along with the cost of living in Mascoutah.

#### **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

*Mayor* – Attended the Grinch Event, Christmas Lighting the Park Event, and the Christmas Parade.

*City Council*

Weyant – Attended the Grinch Event, Christmas Lighting the Park Event, Bob Cearnal Celebration, and the Christmas Parade.

Battas –Nothing to report.

Seibert –Nothing to report.

Kohrmann – Nothing to report.

*City Manager* – Attended the Christmas Parade.

*City Attorney* – Nothing to report.

*City Clerk* – Attended the Grinch Event and the Christmas Parade.

#### **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

**PC 22-05 – ALLEY VACATION, CITIZENS COMMUNITY BANK (SECOND READING)**

City Manager presented report to Council for consideration of approval of alley vacation request from Citizens Community Bank.

Mayor McMahan asked that the action item be tabled until we have the signed utility easement from Citizens Community Bank for the sewer line located within the alley.

There was no further discussion.

Weyant moved, seconded by Seibert, to table the Alley Vacation for Citizens Community Bank.

**Motion passed.** AYE's – Weyant, Battas, Seibert, Kohrmann, McMahan. NAY's – none. ABSENT – none.

**PC 22-06 – REZONING, HAWKINS POINT TOWNHOMES (SECOND READING)**

City Manager presented report to Council for consideration of approval of rezoning request from Hawkins Point Townhomes, located at 9663-9680 Hayden Drive, from GC, General Commercial, to RM, Multiple-Family Residential.

There was no further discussion.

Weyant moved, seconded by Battas, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 22-13, approving the rezoning request from Hawkins Point Townhomes, located at 9663-9680 Hayden Drive (parcel no. 10-06-0-301-008), from GC, General Commercial, to RM, Multiple-Family Residential.

**Motion passed.** AYE's – Weyant, Battas, Seibert, Kohrmann, McMahan. NAY's – none. ABSENT – none.

**BID AWARD – NORTH SUBSTATION UPGRADES, INSTALLATION SERVICES**

City Manager presented report to Council for consideration of approval of bid to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment for the installation of required equipment for the North Substation Upgrades.

Councilman Weyant had concerns about the exclusions of the bid which BHMG has estimated a value of \$250,000.00 additional for the relay testing and commissioning. Jason Jackson with BHMG explained that this total added to the bid price is still well under the other two bids the city received; also the next lowest bid had an exclusion to not pay liquidated damages. Jason Jackson stated that the estimated amount for the relay testing and commissioning was cushioned, and he feels it will fall well under that amount. Jason Jackson explained how the city will need to source out the items that were excluded.

There was no further discussion.

Seibert moved, seconded by Kohrmann, to approve the low bid of \$2,073,433.55 and award a contract to J.F. Electric of Edwardsville, IL to furnish all labor, materials, and equipment for

the installation of required equipment for the North Substation Upgrades and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

***Motion passed.*** AYE's – Battas, Seibert, Kohrmann, McMahan. NAY's – Weyant.  
ABSENT – none.

### **2022 PROPERTY TAX LEVY (FIRST READING)**

City Manager presented report to Council for approval and adoption of the 2022 Property Tax Levy Ordinance.

First Reading.

### **COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

None.

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

None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Weyant moved, seconded by Kohrmann, 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 7:38 p.m.

***Motion passed.*** AYE's – Weyant, Battas, Seibert, Kohrmann, McMahan. NAY's – none.  
ABSENT – none.

### **RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

Battas moved, seconded by Seibert, to return to regular session at 8:08 p.m.

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

### **MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS**

None.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Weyant moved, seconded by Kohrmann, to adjourn at 8:09 p.m.

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

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Melissa A Schanz, City Clerk