

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

JULY 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 Lieutenant Kevin McGinnis, Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner, Fire Chief Joe Zinck, City Engineer Tom Quirk, 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 July 2, 2018 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Fire Chief Joe Zinck – June 2018 report was provided.

Police Lieutenant Kevin McGinnis – June 2018 report was provided.

Finance Coordinator Lynn Weidenbenner – Monthly financials provided.

City Engineer Tom Quirk – Status report on public projects and monthly building report were provided. Mayor asked about trying to do the 6th Street end of Poplar Street before the school year begins. City Engineer stated that with the move required for the Ameren gas lines, it will not be able to be done until the very end. Councilman Baker asked about the estimated completion date. City Engineer stated that Ameren gas line relocation will take a full 4 weeks, and construction should take an additional 4 weeks past that, so construction should be completed by mid-late September; City Engineer stated that no extension has been officially granted. Councilman Schorr voiced concerns over granting an extension for completion due to no work being done over the winter and how it took so long to find out about the gas line; these contractors need to be held accountable for these delays. Council was in consensus with Councilman Schorr's comments. City Engineer stated that the project is not physically possible to be completed by August 1st and discussion will take place regarding possible penalties to be assessed after completion. Councilman Schorr asked about easement acquisition for Electric Phase 2. City Attorney stated that he will have a report on that. Councilman Weyant asked about the 10th Street improvements starting summer 2018 but easements have not been acquired. City Engineer stated that the easement and right-of-way acquisition could take some time, so construction is not likely to start by the end of summer; construction is more likely to start in the spring. City Manager stated that we are holding off on starting construction until we find out what IDOT's plans are for Main Street. City Engineer stated that he did receive an update from IDOT and IDOT will be funding the new sidewalk/curb ramps along Main Street and connecting to the side streets which IDOT is starting to design with construction possibly taking place on the ramp repairs in 2019; resurfacing would be the following year.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Attended the following meetings and functions: Chamber meeting, July 4th festivities, change of command for the Scott AFB weather department, meeting with Scott AFB regarding the duathlon coming up on July 28th, participated in the reading program at the Library.

City Council

Schorr – Attended the following meetings and functions: July 4th festivities, participated in the reading program at the Library.

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: July 4th festivities.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: July 4th festivities, Homecoming preparation.

Baker – Nothing to report.

City Manager – Nothing to report.

City Attorney – Reported that a mediation meeting will be taking place tomorrow regarding the condemnation proceedings on the ground needed by the sewer plant. Reported that he will be preparing a report for the auditors and will provide Council with a copy of the report. Reported that there will be a meeting on August 6th with ICC regarding the easement acquisitions for the Phase II Electric Project.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR (OMNIBUS)

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

Councilman Schorr asked about the payment to DMS Contracting for South 10th Street and if that was the final payment. City Engineer stated that the only amount remaining is the retainage; holding on that until final reviews are completed by IDOT. Councilman McMahan asked about when completion of South 10th Street will be done at the entrances to the Brickyard development. Councilman Weyant and Councilman McMahan stated that they both believed it had to be completed within 3 years of the signing of the development agreement. City Manager stated that he will review the development agreement and double check when that portion is supposed to be completed.

Councilman Weyant asked about the ball field signs purchase. City Manager stated that it was for new permanent signs at the ball fields including numbering, back stop signs and field preparation signs.

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

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

BID AWARD – 2018 MFT OIL & CHIP PROGRAM AND STREET MAINTENANCE

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of bid and authorization for furnishing and applying oil and chip sealing on various streets identified for the 2018 MFT Oil & Chip Program and for furnishing and delivering oil and chip and other materials for street maintenance.

Councilman Weyant asked about a list of the streets. City Engineer stated that one has been prepared and will provide that to Council.

Councilman Weyant commented on having to roll the rock in the past and having issues with the rock. City Manager stated that they did move up the timing on the project and will be completing this project in August so hoping the weather will help the rock to adhere to the oil; the rock will be rolled if and when needed.

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to approve the low bid of \$55,440.00 for furnishing and applying oil to City streets to JTC Petroleum Company of Maryville, IL, the low bid of \$11,250.00 for furnishing and delivering oil to the City's storage tank to DMS Contracting of Mascoutah, IL and the low bid of \$37,714.50 for slag chips and other aggregate materials to Beelman Logistics LLC of East St. Louis, IL for the 2018 MFT Oil & Chip Program and Street Maintenance.

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

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Mayor reported that he has lined up Renner's wagon for the City officials to ride in during the Homecoming parade on both days.

Councilman Weyant asked about fire hydrant flushing. City Manager stated that the Water Department does do the hydrant flushing; a notice was sent in early May that hydrants were going to be flushed periodically. Councilman Weyant stated that there should be a set schedule of when the hydrants are going to be flushed and notification should be provided to residents when it is actually going to occur.

Councilman Baker asked if there was anything that could be done in the future to keep from having to shut water off to the whole City on major breaks like the one that occurred a couple months ago. City Manager stated that the break occurred on the main line that feeds from SLM and the City only has one tap from SLM and is allowed only one tap from SLM so there was nothing additional that could have been done to avoid shutting off the water supply in order to fix the main.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

City Manager provided information to Council regarding dogs and possible increase to the leash law fine. City Attorney stated that he thought it would be a good idea to amend the ordinance to state the fine could be up to \$250.00 or more. Council discussed and were agreement to increase the fine to say up to \$500.00.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to **adjourn at 7:53 p.m.**

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Kari D. Haas, City Clerk