

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

JUNE 19, 2023

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 Melissa Schanz. The Council remained standing and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pat McMahan called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pat McMahan and Council members John Weyant, Walter Battas, Nick Seibert and Mike Baker.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Becky Ahlvin, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Attorney Al Paulson, Chief Waldrup.

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

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the June 5, 2023 regular City Council meeting and June 5, 2023 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 his concerns about his civil rights.

MONTHLY DEPARTMENT REPORTS FOR MAY WERE PROVIDED

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor – Assisted with the Flag Pole installation and the Pole Barn addition along with repairing the marry-go-round at Scheve Park, attended the Greater STL Meeting.

City Council

Weyant –Nothing to report.

Battas –Nothing to report.

Seibert –Attended the Greater STL Meeting, MAC Meeting and Educational Conference in STL. Also stated that the recent baseball and softball tournaments went great.

Baker –Nothing to report.

City Manager – Attended the Greater STL Meeting and also stated that staff received compliments on Scheve Park and ball fields during recent large tournaments.

City Attorney –Nothing to report.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

CONSENT CALENDAR (OMNIBUS)

The May 2023 Fund Balance Report and Claims & Salaries Report were provided under the omnibus consideration.

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

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

RENEWAL FOR \$1,500,000 REVOLVING LINE OF CREDIT – RESOLUTION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR SIGNING OF LOAN DOCUMENTS

City Manager presented a report for Council approval of a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the loan documents for the renewal of a \$1,500,000 revolving line of credit.

There was no further discussion.

Battas moved, seconded by Baker, to approve and adopt Resolution No. 23-24-04, Resolution of Authorization for Signing of Loan Documents for the Line of Credit with First Federal Savings Bank, Mascoutah, Illinois.

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

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Councilman Battas ask City Manager to look into the grating that is still needed around the wastewater treatment plant. Becky stated that she will look into the grating of the berms around the plant.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

City Manager asked council for guidance on multiple items Councilman Baker asked for City Manager and staff to look into the following items.

- Establishing a Push Tax on slot machines – No longer available. The city would have had to “opt in” in 2021. No further Action needed.
- Establishing parking fees at the airport – Council advised staff to look into charging additional fees for “pay to park “ lots within the City. The council does not want to see fees charged for our downtown parking areas.
- Outsourcing mowing at the park – Mayor McMahan stated that we have valuable employees and they do more than just cut grass and I do not want to loose them and are not in favor of outsourcing. Councilman Weyant was not in favor of outsourcing. Councilman Battas had no comment. Councilman Seibert stated that he would like to see it stay as is. Councilman Baker commented that this was brought up to him so as a councilman he felt he should bring it up to council for consideration. No further Action needed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Baker moved, seconded by Seibert, to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss Litigation and Personnel at 7:27 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Seibert moved, seconded by Battas, to adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Melissa Schanz, City Clerk