

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

OCTOBER 7, 2019

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 Gerald Daugherty called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Gerald Daugherty and Council members John Weyant, Pat McMahan, Michael Baker, and Walter Battas.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Brad Myers, Assistant City Manager Kari Haas, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Attorney Al Paulson, City Engineer Tom Quirk and Police Chief Scott Waldrup.

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

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the September 16, 2019 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Annual Conference, Chamber Meeting and National Night Out.

City Council

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Annual Conference and National Night Out.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Annual Conference and National Night Out.

Baker – Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Annual Conference, Chamber Meeting and National Night Out.

Battas – Nothing to report.

City Manager

Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Annual Conference, Chamber Meeting and National Night Out.

City Attorney – Nothing to report.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

COMPACT EXCAVATOR – BID AWARD.

City Manager presented report for Council approval and authorization of state bid for the purchase of a compact excavator along with an 18” and a 24” bucket. City Manager stated that staff is recommending approval of this bid award and that it will be paid for with Water and Sewer Department and Electric Department accounts and is within budget.

Councilman Battas asked if staff checked local businesses to see if it was a good price. City Manager stated that staff did not since the state bid was within a fair amount. Councilman Baker voiced concern about always taking state bid when we could look local and for better pricing.

Council discussed the bidding process for equipment. Council was in favor of obtaining bids for equipment needs from local businesses/dealers in addition to the state bid. Council discussed the need to ensure the bid specifications are general in nature and not tailored to a specific piece of equipment from a specific business/dealer.

Baker moved, seconded by McMahan to table this item.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PC 19-10, ALLEY VACATION, 1027 WEST MAIN ST. (FIRST READING)

City Manager presented report for Council review and consideration of approval of an alley vacation for 1027 West Main St. City Manager stated that the applicants, Clint & Ruth Candler through their realtor Connie Kappert, are purchasing this property and

during the title work found that the property has a 50' long 12' wide alley that runs through not just the yard but house as well.

Mayor asked about vacating partial alleys. Staff explained that an alley vacation cannot be forced on a property owner who does not want one, since they are then required to take over the property taxes.

First reading. No action required.

PC 19-09, PLAZA 23 LLC REZONING OF NORTHERN 9.072 ACRES OF PARCEL # 10-06-0-301-007 FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL TO MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (FIRST READING)

City Manager presented report for Council review and consideration of approval of a rezoning application from applicant, Plaza 23 LLC who desires to rezone the northern 9.072 acres of parcel # 10-06-0-301-007 from General Commercial to Multiple Family Residential. The applicant would like to build 18 apartment buildings, which would be 144 units.

Mayor thought the location of this possible development on the very north end of the property is best and would benefit the city since it has set vacant for so long.

Councilman Weyant stated that he thinks the locations is not appropriate for Multiple Family Residential with it being in the middle of General Commercial.

First reading. No action required.

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Mayor asked everyone to submit their IML Conference reports by the next city council meeting.

Allowance of non-highway vehicles was discussed in more detail. Staff will recommend an Ordinance to the council at an upcoming meeting.

Mayor stated that he would like to have a workshop on the Cannabis information in a month or two.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

City Manager thanked everyone who helped with the National Night Out event.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Baker, to **adjourn at 7:55 p.m.**

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Melissa A Schanz, City Clerk