

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

**FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

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, City Clerk Melissa Schanz, City Engineer Tom Quirk, Public Works Director Jesse Carlton 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 January 21, 2020 regular City Council meeting were presented and approved as presented.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

James Saffel Sr. along with Paul Schorr expressed concerns about allowing adult cannabis sales within the City Limits of Mascoutah

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

*Mayor*

Attended the following meetings and functions: Annual City Employee Holiday Party, Annual Home Builders Awards Dinner.

*City Council*

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: Annual City Employee Holiday Party.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: Annual City Employee Holiday Party.

Baker – Nothing to Report

Battas – Nothing to Report

*City Manager*

Attended the following meetings and functions: Annual City Employee Holiday Party, Budget Meetings with Department Heads, School Leadership Energy Meeting, Staff Meeting.

*City Attorney* – Nothing to Report.

*City Clerk* – Nothing to Report.

## **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **Code Change – Economic Development Commission (Second Reading)**

City Manager presented an ordinance for Council approval and adoption of revisions to Chapter 4 – Boards and Commission, Article V – Economic Development Commission of the City Code.

There was no further discussion.

Baker moved, seconded by Battas, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 20-01 thereby modifying Chapter 4 - Boards and Commissions, Article V – Economic Development Commission.

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

### **Code Change – Reconnect Fees for Electric and Water (Second Reading)**

City Manager presented an ordinance for Council approval and adoption of revisions to Chapter 11 – Electric System and Chapter 38 – Utilities to increase the reconnect fees for electric and water disconnections.

There was no further discussion.

Weyant moved, seconded by McMahan, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 20-02 thereby modifying Chapter 11 – Electric System and Chapter 38 – Utilities of the City of Mascoutah Code of Ordinances.

***Motion passed.*** AYE's – Weyant, McMahan, Daugherty. NAY's – Baker, Battas

### **Ordinance Naming the Roadway Lying Directly North of Legacy Place as Heritage Way (Second Reading)**

City Manager presented an ordinance for Council approval and adoption of an Ordinance naming the roadway that runs west from Illinois Route 4 directly north of Legacy Place as “Heritage Way”, within the City Limits of Mascoutah, Illinois.

There was no further discussion.

Battas moved, seconded by McMahan, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 20-03 an Ordinance naming the roadway directly north of Legacy Place as Heritage Way.

***Motion passed.*** AYE’s – Weyant, McMahan, Baker, Battas, Daugherty. NAY’s – none

### **Adult-Use Cannabis Business Establishments (Second Reading)**

City Manager presented information for a decision to be made by city council to prohibit or allow adult-use cannabis business establishments in the City of Mascoutah.

Mayor explained that the Council thought about tabling the item and have a town hall meeting, but based on number of people here tonight it does not seem like it would matter. Mayor also stated that it is an easy decision if you’re not the one making it. It is not just about money, but that money would be used to provide road improvements, park improvements, etc.

Mayor stated that it comes down to what’s most important to us. The last 20 years our population has almost doubled. We have become the place where people want to come and live because of our school system, the safety of our community, and our image. Mayor would like to maintain the values that have been established here. No matter how you look at it, it carries a negative connotation.

Baker stated that he spoke to 83 people, 7 said no to allowing cannabis business establishments. Baker explained that he was elected to represent the people and that is what he is going to do.

Weyant mentioned that the decision to prohibit adult-use cannabis businesses can be changed at a later time if the City chooses to make that change.

Weyant moved, seconded by Battas, to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 20-04 thereby prohibiting adult-use cannabis business establishments within the City of Mascoutah.

***Motion passed.*** AYE’s – Weyant, McMahan, Battas, Daugherty. NAY’s – Baker

### **Leu Civic Center Restricted Funds Transfer**

City Manager presented report for Council approval to close restricted funds account that the center was gifted many years ago forward the funds to the Leu Civic Center Fund where it can be used for miscellaneous expenses.

There was no further discussion.

McMahan moved, seconded by Baker, to approve the closing of the \$2,500.00 restricted funds account and transfer of the \$2,500.00 to the Leu Civic Center Fund and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

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

**COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

City Council approved the Council Budget Guidance FY2020-2021.

**CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

McMahan moved, seconded by Weyant, to **adjourn at 7:24 p.m.**

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

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Melissa A Schanz, City Clerk