

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

FEBRUARY 6, 2017

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, Council members Ben Grodeon, Paul Schorr, John Weyant and Pat McMahan.

Absent: None.

Other Staff Present: City Manager Cody Hawkins, City Clerk Kari Haas, City Attorney Al Paulson, Assistant City Manager Mike Bolt, Police Chief Scott Waldrup, and City Engineer Tom Quirk.

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

AMEND AGENDA

None.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January 3, 2017 regular City Council meeting were presented and the minutes were approved as presented. The minutes of the January 3, 2017 Executive Session meeting were presented and the minutes were approved as presented.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor

Mayor asked for ratification of his appointment to the SLM Water Commission board.

Weyant moved, seconded by McMahan, to ratify the appointment of Gerald Daugherty to the SLM Water Commission board retro-active to September 20, 2016.

Motion passed. Passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Attended the following meetings and functions: IML Executive Committee meeting, Mascoutah Historical Society board meeting, dedication at the Library for the new Alice Reider room, SLM Water Commission meeting, Mascoutah High School JR ROTC change of command, retirement party for Diana Little who worked at the St. Clair County inter-governmental grants department, annual Chamber dinner, SWIL Council of Mayors meeting, Home Builder's Association meeting, Chamber committee meeting regarding awards recognition dinner for 375th Air Mobility Wing winners.

City Council

Grodeon – Attended the following meetings and functions: City Holiday party, dedication at the Library for the new Alice Reider room, participated in the new Mascoutah running club, annual Chamber dinner, daddy/daughter dance at Mascoutah Elementary School.

Schorr – Attended the following meetings and functions: City Holiday party, Sandra Hakanson's retirement party, dedication at the Library for the new Alice Reider room, Tree Sub-Committee meeting, annual Chamber dinner, volunteered at the Middle School for the SCU financial fair.

Weyant – Attended the following meetings and functions: City Holiday party, MIA appreciation dinner, annual Chamber dinner, participated in Sweetie Pie Day.

McMahan – Attended the following meetings and functions: City Holiday party, Sandra Hakanson's retirement party, dedication at the Library for the new Alice Reider room, volunteered at the Middle School for the SCU financial fair, annual Chamber dinner, MIA appreciation dinner, SWIL Council of Mayors meeting, meeting with Tim Boyce regarding dog park expansion.

City Manager – Nothing to report.

City Attorney – Nothing to report.

City Clerk – Nothing to report.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

INTERIOR PROTECTIVE COATING RESTORATION FOR THE ELEVATED WATER STORAGE RESERVOIR – BID AWARD

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval and authorization of bids for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment for the Interior Protective Coating Restoration for the Elevated Water Storage Reservoir located along Sixth Street.

Mayor asked if we knew when the last time the interior was painted. City Engineer stated that the normal life of restoration is 20 years and this one is well beyond its expected life.

Councilman Schorr asked about the issues that occurred with the outside restoration and the add-ons that were required and asked if this would occur again. City Manager stated that when they started sandblasting the outside, the tank started chipping off which we did not expect to happen so had additional costs for repairs. City Manager stated that we do not expect to have any issues based on the engineer's review of the interior.

Councilman Schorr asked how water pressure is maintained when the tank is empty. City Manager stated that the pump house will maintain the water pressure.

Mayor asked if we had an estimate from the engineer. City Engineer stated that the budgeted amount was \$125,000 and the estimate from the engineer was around \$150,000.

McMahan moved, seconded by Grodeon, to approve the low bid of \$99,800.00 to Trikote, LLC of Pacific, MO for furnishing all labor, materials and equipment for the Interior Protective Coating Restoration for the Elevated Water Storage Reservoir and authorize appropriate officials to execute the necessary documents.

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

MAIN STREET CLOSING – SPRING FEST WITH IDOT RESOLUTION

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of a request by the Mascoutah Chamber of Commerce to close Main Street (IL 177) on May 19, 2017 for the Spring Fest.

Weyant moved, seconded by Schorr, to approve and adopt Resolution No. 16-17-21, authorizing the closing of Main Street (IL 177) from First Street to Market Street on May 19, 2017 from 3 p.m. to 2 a.m. for the annual Spring Fest.

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

CODE CHANGE – STOP INTERSECTIONS

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval and adoption of an Ordinance to amend Schedule A – Stop Intersections.

Councilman Grodeon asked if public safety had reviewed the proposed stops. City Manager stated that he will discuss it with the Police Chief prior to the second reading.

First reading. No action required.

CODE CHANGE – RECREATION AND PARKS CODE

City Manager presented report for Council consideration of approval of revisions to Chapter 31 – Recreation and Parks of the City Code by adoption of ordinance.

Councilman Weyant asked about the two part-time employees and if they would be doing anything other than ball-field maintenance. City Manager stated that these two individuals will be on call to drag the fields, line them and put the bases in when there are games going on along with general field maintenance to have the fields ready to use.

Councilman Schorr asked about the fees and if there is any provision for rain-outs and refunds. City Manager stated that they will review that and can add some language regarding rain-outs and possible refunds.

Councilman Schorr commented on the rules regarding having a representative being over 21 years of age, and changing the wording for more clarification. Council discussed the age restriction and was in agreement to either have it at 18 years or older or leave it unspecified.

Councilman Grodeon commented on the work load and the need to hire two workers. City Manager stated that hiring two is more for the flexibility and to ensure that there is someone available at all times during the summer.

First reading. No action required.

COUNCIL – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Council discussed the FY 17/18 Budget Guidance.

Councilman Weyant asked about a street lights along Route 4 from Prairie View to just north of Dollar General. City Manager stated that he has discussed this with the City Engineer about placing a street light at Onyx Drive to light up that intersection; when the north access road goes in at Legacy Place we will put a street light at that intersection; any street light placement will need to be coordinated with IDOT since we will be putting light on their roadway.

CITY MANAGER – MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

City Manager provided information to Council regarding the letter received from IDNR instructing the City to shut down the yard waste drop off site located on South 10th Street since it is in the flood plain. City Manager asked Council what direction they would like to go: continuing the service but at a different location or doing away with the service. City Manager stated that the City itself will need a location for our own tree trimming and yard waste clean-up. Council discussed the different options and were in agreement to explore the idea of finding a new site and determine what costs will be involved and what kinds of fees would need to be charged to residents.

City Manager provided information to Council regarding the public safety sales tax being proposed by St. Clair County. Council was in agreement to not provide a resolution supporting or not supporting a tax increase being proposed by another taxing body.

Mayor provided an update to the Council regarding the Special Census. Mayor stated that with the federal hiring freeze, the special census is on hold. Mayor stated we are working with the Special Census department and contacting legislators to try to find a solution that would allow us to continue with the process.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MISCELLANEOUS OR FINAL ACTIONS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

McMahan moved, seconded by Schorr, to **adjourn at 8:00 p.m.**

Motion passed. Motion passed by unanimous yes voice vote.

Kari D. Haas, City Clerk