

MINUTES OF THE MAY 8, 2007 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Jim Bissing rang the bell to announce the start of the meeting. RINGING OF BELL
Mayor Carl Bates called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. CALL TO ORDER
Roll call: Mayor Carl Bates, present, Aldermen John Boelkens, present, ROLL CALL
Doug Bergren, present, Diane Lego, present, Bill Sparboe, absent, and Doris Bork, present.
Alderman Bergren led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Reverend Mark Harkness, Mount Carroll United Methodist Church gave the invocation.

Alderman Bergren moved and Alderman Bork seconded to approve the MINUTES minutes of the April 24, 2007 regular meeting with the amendment to change the adjournment time from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bergren seconded to authorize ACCOUNTS PAYABLE payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of May 2007 as approved by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported of the bank account balances as of May 8, 2007. FINANCIAL REPORT
Total: \$602,946.41. Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Boelkens seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported of the April 27th recreation board meeting. COMMITTEES
RECREATION
1. The board members reviewed the applications for lifeguards for this LIFEGUARDS this summer season. The following list of lifeguards are recommended by the board for hire: Samantha Mitchell, Adam Bogue, Nia Calbreath, Alex Pacas, Tara Hartman, Megan Patterson, Ross Bausman, Kayla Kreuder, Alyssa Jones, Michelle Atherton, Brittany Sipe, Athena Timm and Katie Peterson. Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bork seconded to hire the recommended lifeguards as presented by the recreation board. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
2. Mayor Bates reported that the recreation board members would be interviewing for assistant managers as soon as possible and would report back to him at this time.

Alderman Boelkens reported of the May 8th finance committee meeting: FINANCE
1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Bergren reported that he had been working on a cost estimate of the brick street restoration project by using city labor.
3. Alderman Bork reported that she had talked with a family member of Mr. James Shaw about a memorial. She stated that their preference was to have a bench placed at Point Rock Park. To check on several different types of benches for the Jim Shaw Memorial.
4. The finance committee opened and reviewed the new lawn mower bids to be used by several of the city departments. LAWN MOWER
Merema Brothers, Fulton, IL, Grasshopper model, 27 HP \$8,056
Ace Hardware, Savanna, IL, Simplicity Cobalt model, 27 HP \$7,773
Simplicity Citation model, 23 HP \$5,998

4. Alderman Boelkens presented the finance committee recommendation to purchase the new Cobalt lawn mower from Ace Hardware of Savanna, IL at the cost of \$7,773.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried. LAWN MOWER
5. The committee discussed the request from the farm bureau about the antique tractor parade. There are some questions about the liability still pending. To contact the farm bureau manager.
6. Mayor Bates reported he had contacted Erickson Paving, Inc. of Savanna, IL about putting two coats of seal coating on the parking lot located in the 400 block of North Main Street this year. They provided a quote of \$1,465.00 on the condition that the city crew would have all of the holes patched and filled prior to starting the project. Alderman Boelkens presented the finance committee recommendation to authorize Erickson Paving, Inc. to seal the parking lot at the cost of \$1,465.00 with the condition that the city crew would have filled all of the holes prior and that there were no prevailing wages matter to consider as long as the owner conducts the work. Roll call vote: Aldermen Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried. PARKING LOT

Mr. Len Anderson, Friends of the Waukarusa reported that their organization was cleaning up more brush along the bank north of the parking lot in the downtown. He extended his appreciation to the firemen and the city crew that have cleaned the downtown streets this spring.

Mr. John Swiech, Competitive Communities Initiative steering committee the People for Progress have conducted a community swap activity. Mount Carroll's group will make a presentation to the community they assessed on June 4th.

Mr. Lou Schau, CDC President reported that the new lights on the Veteran's Memorial in the courtyard have been installed and they would be planting new tree seedlings in the courtyard this spring.

Mayor Bates read the MSA Project Update. A copy of the report will be added to the record and attached to these minutes.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Bergren seconded to pass Resolution No. R5-2007-1, Consolidated Election Results. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Resolution No. R5-2007-1 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. ELECTION RESULTS

Newly elected officers, Alderman John Boelkens, Ward 3, and Alderman Diane Lego, Ward 2, took the Oath of Office as administered by Clerk Cuckler. OATH OF OFFICE

Mayor Bates presented a Certificate of Appreciation to outgoing Alderman Eina Schroeder.

Second roll call: Mayor Carl Bates, present, Aldermen John Boelkens, present, Doug Bergren, present, Diane Lego, present, Doris Bork, present, and Bill Sparboe, absent. ROLL CALL

Alderman Bergren moved and Alderman Bork seconded to pass the MFT RESOLUTION Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code approving the appropriation of \$22,000 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways from January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bork seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. Ordinance No. 2007-5-1, APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE. Roll call 2007-5-1 vote: Aldermen Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Ordinance no. 2007-5-1 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Boelkens seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. Ordinance No. 2007-5-2, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN 2007-5-2 PARKING RESTRICTIONS. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Ordinance No. 2007-5-2 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. James Bissing, 322 W. Spring Avenue was in attendance and asked about the paving improvement for Spring Avenue and noted some of the properties in his neighborhood that have not been mowed and other property maintenance issues for the council's consideration. Mayor Bates stated that the paving for Spring Avenue has been put off for at least one more year.

Mayor Bates read a letter of appreciation from Eina Schroeder.

Marty Beranek from MSA Professional Services, Inc. was in attendance MSA and presented to the council an updated laminated cemetery map for placement at the cemetery. He also provided a cd disc for the water and sewer department to review with a spreadsheet format for keeping more operational information on the computer. Marty noted that Fischer Excavating was in contact with the manufacturers of the siphons. He hoped to report that a site visit would be soon to look at the operation of the siphons.

Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bork seconded to adjourn the ADJOURNMENT meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Lego, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:26 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the May 22, 2007 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector