

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 8, 2010 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Lou Schau rang the bell to announce the start of the meeting. RINGING OF BELL  
Mayor 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  
Nina Cooper, present, Diane Lego, absent, Doug Bergren, present, Bill Sparboe, absent, and Doris Bork, absent.  
Alderman Boelkens led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Pastor Wayne Carvell, Church on the Hill, gave the invocation.

Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to approve the MINUTES minutes of the May 25, 2010 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Bergren moved and Alderman Boelkens seconded to authorize ACCOUNTS PAYABLE the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of June 2010 as approved by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Sparboe, absent, and Lego, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates noted that the bank account balances were \$602,460.91. FINANCIAL REPORT  
Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to approve the financial report as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

COMMITTEES  
Alderman Bergren reported of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. To start the preliminary planning of the improvement of Benton Street from Clay Street easterly to the corporate limits.
2. Alderman Bergren presented the finance committee recommend- EMPLOYEE SALARIES ation to approve a one and one half percent (1 ½%) increase to the salaries of the full time employees for this (fiscal) year. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Bork, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.
3. Mayor Bates reported he was approached by a local contractor PARK about improvements to the park concession stand building. Materials could amount to \$1,500.00. Mayor Bates stated he would provide more information at a future meeting.
4. Reviewed the budget and changed a few line items in the park fund. The committee asked the clerk to provide a final draft for the next council meeting.
5. Discussed the options to consider the formation of a community foundation.

Alderman Boelkens reported of the June 8<sup>th</sup> finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Boelkens reported the finance committee ORDINANCE NO. recommended the approval of the appropriation ordinance as 2010-6-3 presented. Alderman Boelkens moved and Alderman Bork seconded to pass Ordinance No. 2010-6-3, AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FOR ALL CORPORATE PURPOSES OF THE CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2010 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2010. Roll call vote: Aldermen

Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. Ordinance No. 2010-6-3, APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

3. Alderman Boelkens presented the finance committee recommend- PARK BUILDING  
ation to authorize the purchase of the materials to improve the Point Rock Park concession stand building at a cost not to exceed \$1,500. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Sparboe, absent, and Lego, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.
4. Mayor Bates reported that the next Northern Illinois Mayors NIMA MEETING  
Association meeting was to be held in Mount Carroll on July 15<sup>th</sup>. It was planned to have the event at the Kraft Building and possible have a buffet with a "Taste of Mount Carroll" from the dining places in town. Lou Schau of the CDC was to help organize the food for the evening with the cost to stay under the \$20.00 per person limit set by the mayor's association.
5. Heard a report of the work to start on the brick street project for this summer to be done in the 400 block of North Main Street.
6. Alderman Boelkens presented the finance committee recommend- RAFFLE LICENSE  
ation to grant a raffle license to the Mt. Carroll Fire Department for a month. Roll call vote: Aldermen Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.
7. Alderman Boelkens presented the finance committee recommend- NEW COMPUTER  
ation to purchase a new computer for the police department from Future Quest Technologies, Inc., Mt. Carroll, IL, at a cost of \$872.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Bergren reported of the May 18<sup>th</sup> historic preservation committee HPAC  
meeting. A copy of these minutes included as a part of the record.

Mr. John Swiech, CDC, reported that the Way Finding signs had been installed. Mr. Lou Schau, CDC, reported of the status of the Kraft Building project, and reported that the architect had provided updated specifications for the community house project so the contractors could be contacted in order to establish an estimate of the project for a grant application, also the CDC office would be moving from the City Hall to the Kraft Building after July 1<sup>st</sup>, and there was work being planned for the Stone House building this summer.

Mr. Nick Wagner of MSA was in attendance and reported that they were working with the city water department staff on getting all of the bugs out of the water system controls.

Mayor Bates read the project status report for June 2010 from Sharon Pepin CFPS REPORT  
of Community Funding & Planning Services. A copy of this report included as a part of the record.

Action items:

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to approve the KRAFT BLDG. BILLS  
payment of the bills for the Kraft Building Project which would include the payment to Community Funding & Planning Services in the amount of \$1,250.00 that would be paid from the DCEO grant funds. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to approve the payment of \$4,570.78 to the Mount Carroll CDC from the City Revolving Loan Fund for the payment of materials for the Kraft

Building Project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Sparboe, absent, and Lego, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Cooper moved and Alderman Bork seconded to authorize the CLOSE OUT REPORT mayor to sign the close out documents and reports for the CDAP Set-Aside Grant for the well casing project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Mark Roach was in attendance and inquired about the requirements in the proposed fill ordinance. City Attorney Ronald Coplan was in attendance and stated he would take another look at the ordinance to see if more description was needed.

Mayor Bates stated that he would be contacting Jo Carroll Energy about their inquiry to place an antenna on the City water tower to provide wireless internet service in this area. He stated we just completed an agreement with JCWIFI out of Freeport, IL which had provided internet service to four places and a small amount monthly. He felt the city should consider a dollar amount of \$300 to \$400 a month, and as well check with our tower maintenance company to see what issues there would be in having these units on the tower. No objections were voiced at this time by the council members present.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Cooper seconded to pass Ordinance No. ORDINANCE NO. 2010-6-2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL, 2010-6-2 CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ASCERTAINING THE PREVAILING RATE OF WAGES FOR LABORERS, MECHANICS AND OTHER WORKERS EMPLOYED ON PUBLIC WORKS OF SAID CITY. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. Ordinance No. 2010-6-2 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Mr. Mark Roach and Mr. Tom Cravatta were in attendance and addressed the WATER & SEWER council about East Commercial Street roadway extension proposal and the extension of the water and sewer utilities. It was noted by the mayor and the city attorney that the survey had changed regarding the width of the parcel that was being proposed to be provided as an extension of the street and that there was not a consensus from both parties involved so this was then dropped. They noted that another discussion could be scheduled if Mr. Cravatta and the Roachs wished to do that. Mayor Bates stated that the city was reviewing again the costs and project involved to bring water across Jackson Street and along what is the East Commercial Street right-of-way. It was considered probable that the crew would be able to complete the water line extension, but there were other options being considered for the sewer needs. Mr. Cravatta and Mr. Roach expressed their frustration that the utilities were not put in yet.

Chief Fred Cass was in attendance. Mayor Bates noted that Chief Cass had requested to hire some more part time officers for the pool to select from in the scheduling of police coverage. After discussion it was the consensus of the council members present to allow the Chief to hire up to another three officers. Chief Cass reported of his assistance with K9 dog Scout with a drug arrest in Savanna, IL recently and as well an arrest in town when a vehicle in the court house parking lot was noticed by Scout.

City Attorney Ronald Coplan reported of the court hearing regarding the barking dog complaint. The court found Mrs. Bunny Oviatt guilty of the charge and fined her \$100.00 plus court costs.

Mr. Tom Cravatta reported of the antique tractor pulls that were scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup> at the property

formerly owned by K-Way Products on West Commercial Street.

Alderman Cooper moved and Alderman Boelkens seconded to adjourn ADJOURNMENT the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Boelkens, yes, Cooper, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Lego, absent, and Sparboe, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 2 absent and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 9:03 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the June 28, 2010 regular meeting rescheduled from June 22, 2010.

Julie A. Cuckler  
City Clerk & Collector