

MINUTES OF THE JULY 8, 2014 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Police officer Mark Schipper 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 Tom Charles, present, ROLL CALL

Jim Rose, present, Bob Sisler, present, Doug Bergren, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.

Alderman Rose led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Robert Hatheway gave the invocation.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Rose seconded to approve the MINUTES minutes of the June 24, 2014 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Risko seconded to authorize ACCOUNTS PAYABLE the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of July 2014 as approved by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Charles, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances as of today were FINANCIAL REPORT at a grand total of \$433,570.73.

Alderman Charles reported of the July 8th license & ordinance COMMITTEES committee meeting: LICENSE & ORDINANCE

1. The committee discussed an item of the proposed amendment to the Animals chapter of the Title 5 Police Regulations of the City Code.
2. It was noted that the proposed amendments to the Dogs chapter of the Title 5 has been referred to the city attorney to come back with a draft ordinance for review.
3. Discussed the inquiries presented to the animal control officer about establishing some feral cat regulations to meet some of the State colony rules. A meeting was scheduled for July 22nd at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall to discuss any needs for these regulations. Alderman Grim stated he would be at that meeting and asked anyone else interested to attend.
4. Mayor Bates reported that the owner of the 113 N. Mill Street property had contacted him about the demolition of the building on this property. It was scheduled to be completed by the end of this month.

Alderman Charles reported of the July 8th finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. The committee discussed a proposed water and sewer rate WATER & SEWER RATES increase to be implemented each year based on the Cost of Living Adjustments. The consensus was to ask the city attorney if the City could set this regulation by ordinance this way or if a specific amount is to be set each year.
3. Discussion of the purchase of the new police squad car. The old SQUAD CAR Crown Vic squad has not been holding its own. Costs for the new vehicle (Chevy Tahoe) with 4-wheel drive were quoted at \$30,000 and the 2-wheel drive was quoted at \$26,000. The consensus was to have the chief order the vehicle from that above choices per his specifications.
4. Alderman Risko reported that the Mount Carroll Rotary Club provided a grant to the summer baseball program this year to install a new score board for the one ball diamond at park.

5. It was reported that this year's Brick Street Saturday activities would be on September 6th this year.
6. Chamber Member Bob Hatheway reported that the damaged marketing sign along Route 64 east of town has been repaired.

Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve the professional services agreement with MSA Professional Services for the engineering services for the 2014 Sanitary Sewer Lining project at a cost not to exceed \$12,000.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried. Mr. Steve Haring of MSA was in attendance and reported to the council that they would be attending the next meeting with the update of the scope of work for this project and would be discussing a date to set for the bid letting of the project.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Grim seconded to pass Resolution No. R6-2014-1, A Supplemental Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways by the Municipality Under the Illinois Highway Code. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Resolution No. R6-2014-1 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. The supplemental resolution was to add an appropriation of \$79,000.00 of Motor Fuel Tax funds for the purpose of maintaining streets and highways under the applicable provisions of the Illinois Highway Code from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

Under correspondence, Mayor Bates reported of the upcoming economic development summit to be sponsored by the Blackhawk Hills Regional Council, the Jo Daviess County republican party meet and greet activity, the dates of the Illinois State Fair, the information from the State Comptrollers office regarding training workshops for elected officials, and the Savanna Thomson State Bank collateral statements.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Bergren seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 7:41 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the July 22, 2014 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector