

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Ms. Karen Kromer 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 Paul Kaczmariski, present, Jim Rose, present, Kevin Powers, present, Doug Bergren, present, ROLL CALL
Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.
Alderman Bergren led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Ms. Karen Kromer gave the invocation.

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve MINUTES
the minutes of the September 27, 2016 public hearing and regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote:
Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6
yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
authorize the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of September 2016 as approved by
the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim,
yes, and Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT
totaling \$703,784.12 as of today.

Alderman Grim reported of the September 26th recreation board RECREATION BOARD
meeting:

1. Mr. Roger Schamberger of Burbach Aquatics presented FEASABILITY STUDY
the information and process to proceed with the Phase 1 Step 2 feasibility study of the City's
swimming pool facility. Cost would be \$2,900 that would be billed in July 2017. The consensus
of the recreation board members was to authorize this action.
2. Alderman Grim reported that there was a lifeguarding training class scheduled for October 16th
in Savanna, IL. They were passing this information along to several students and adults.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve to initiate the Phase 1, Step #2 pool
facility feasibility study by Burbach Aquatics, Inc. at a cost of \$2,900 that would not be billed to City
until July 2017. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski,
yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. the motion was carried.

Alderman Powers reported of the September 27th license & ordinance LICENSE & ORDINANCE
committee meeting:

1. The committee discussed the status of the proposed Dog Ordinance.
City Attorney Ronald Coplan was in attendance during the city council meeting, and reported that he
was reviewing the draft ordinance and had a few comments and suggestions that he would provide in a
draft ordinance for the council members to review.

Alderman Grim reported of the September 27th water & sewer committee WATER & SEWER
meeting:

1. Mr. Matt Shear of Eagle Point Solar was in attendance and presented a preliminary financial
analysis for the Mount Carroll wastewater treatment plant. Suggestion to have the City's
consulting engineers, MSA Professional Services, to contact the Illinois Clean Energy Foundation

about the grant requirements when looking at solar power for the new plant. He then suggested that the City should contact Jo Carroll Energy about the possible funding options regarding a power purchase agreement. To make both of these contacts to see what the next steps would be.

2. Mr. Steve Haring, MSA Professional Services, was in attendance MSA and had stated that he would take back the information about the solar power to their engineering department. He reported that the City was issued a renewal of the Sludge Disposal Permit from the State. This was good for 5 years. He noted that the flood plain analysis project was started. He stated that the engineers were wondering about having permission from the surrounding property owners to conduct the soil borings for this project. Mayor Bates stated that he had the contact information for the property owner adjoining the sewer plant property.
3. The committee reviewed the quote for a new van from Kunes' NEW VAN Country Auto Group. The net cost was \$26,554.00 plus any title and license charges. The additional options to consider: LED flashing corner lights, \$592.00; Whelen light bar, \$451.00; Rino line the floor and 12 inches up sides inside cargo area, \$650.00; 6.0 V-8 engine, \$995.00. Total cost \$29,242 with the added options. There could be a trade in deduction, but that was not determined yet. Alderman Grim presented the water and sewer committee recommendation to purchase the new van from Kunes' Country Auto Group at a cost not to exceed \$29,242.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Rose, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.
4. Alderman Grim reported the water and sewer committee went EXECUTIVE SESSION into executive session to consider compensation, discipline and performance of specific employees at 7:18 p.m. and returned to open session at 7:28 p.m. There was no action from the closed session.

Alderman Kaczmarski reported of the September 27th finance committee FINANCE meeting:

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Kaczmarski presented the finance committee INTERFUND TRANSFER recommendation to approve the interfund transfer of \$5,000 from the general fund checking account to the Kunes' Redevelopment Agreement savings account. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Under old business the council discussed the status of the vacant and OLD BUSINESS unkept properties with the city attorney.

Alderman Risko reported of the repairs done by the city crew on the Galena Street Bridge. The noise has been remarkably reduced.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Bates called the public hearing to order at 7:48 p.m. to consider VACATE A PUBLIC WAY the petition to vacate a public right of way known as an alley 20 feet in width, and running in an easterly and westerly direction between Lots 1 and 2 in Block 4 of Turnbaugh's Addition in the City of Mount Carroll. Mr. John Swiech, one of the petitioners was in attendance. In discussion it was noted that the alley in question has never been used for an access to any of the adjoining property owners. It was not usable for vehicle traffic and it came to a dead end. No further discussion heard Mayor Bates adjourned the public hearing at 7:51 p.m.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Powers seconded to pass Ordinance ORDINANCE NO. No. 2016-9-9, AN ORDINANCE VACATING A PUBLIC WAY. Roll 2016-9-9

call vote: Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2016-9-9 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Powers moved and Aldermen Risko seconded to grant a RAFFLE LICENSE raffle license to the Mount Carroll District Library and the Mount Carroll Rotary Club. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, here, Grim, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 5 yeses, 1 present, and 0 absent. The motion was carried.

Under public comment Ms. Michelle Fossett of CDC was in attendance GENERAL AUDIENCE and reported about 35 people attended the 5 o'clock Fling get together event. Working on compiling a business packet and updating the Welcome Packet for new residents. PJ Mueller of CDC was in attendance and reported that the Market Street Commons had a rearranging face lift on the main floor. She asked everyone to stop by and see the new set up.

Mayor Bates reported of the letter from Moring Disposal stating the pick up of 39,020 pounds of recycling materials for the month of August 2106.

Discussed the proposed Social Host Ordinance and Clerk Cuckler reported that the candidates packets for the April 4, 2017 Consolidated Election were available. Candidates may circulate the petitions for signatures now.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Powers seconded to ADJOURNMENT adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the October 11, 2016 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector