

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 24, 2012 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Gordon Roach 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, Jim Rose, ROLL CALL
present, Bob Sisler, present, Doug Bergren, present, Mike Risko, absent, and Doris Bork, present.
Aldermen Bergren led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. John Boelkens gave the invocation.

Alderman Bergren moved and Alderman Charles seconded to approve the minutes MINUTES
of the April 10, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes,
Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion
was carried.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Charles seconded to authorize the ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of April 2012 as approved by the finance
committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes and
Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported the bank account balances were at \$338,215.45 as FINANCIAL REPORT
of today. Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Bergren seconded to accept the financial report as
presented. Aldermen Sisler, no, Bergren, yes, Bork, no, Charles, yes, and Rose, yes, and Risko, absent.
Vote: 3 yeses, 2 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

COMMITTEES

Alderman Charles reported that the license & ordinance committee discussed LICENSE & ORD.
the following at the April 23rd meeting: Reviewed some more sections of the employee handbook draft
and heard a nuisance complaint regarding a dog issue on East Broad Street.

Mayor Bates presented the report of the cemetery, park, streets and water BUDGET REVIEW
and sewer committees of April 23rd:

1. Budget review for the next year was done for the streets department, parks and cemetery
operation and maintenance. Streets department budget at \$345,700, parks at \$45,850 and
cemetery o/m at \$20,400.
2. The committee members in attendance approved the request from GIVING TREE BENCH
Mr. David Smith of the Lions Club to place a bench around one of the trees at Point Rock Park
to acknowledge some of the donors contributing towards the new park equipment.
3. Alderman Rose moved and Alderman Charles seconded to approve POOL LIFT
the increase cost of \$1,000 to purchase and install the new ADA compliant pool lift at the City
swimming pool and to authorize the mayor to sign the task order with MSA Professional
Services, Inc., at a cost not to exceed \$500.00, to make application for the construction permit to
the Department of Public Health to install the lift. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork,
yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent.
The motion was carried.
4. It was noted that the water fire hydrant was flushed near the intersection of State Street and
Galena Street to follow up to the rusty water complaint by Mrs. Jeanne Schnitzler at 808 N.
Galena Street.
5. Mayor Bates reported the committee discussed the complaint letter sent WATER COMPLAINT

to the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency by resident, Gerald Bork. For the council meeting, Mayor Bates read the letter sent by Mr. Bork and the response from Mr. Brett Hanson, Regional Manager, Illinois Environmental Protection Agency, Division of Public Water Supplies, Rockford, IL. He reported that during the committee meeting on April 23rd Superintendent Handel addressed three issues: the water tower fill, the hydrant flushing and boil orders, as they were mentioned in Mr. Bork's letter. Also to note from Mr. Hanson's letter, "Routine water samples show that the City is currently meeting all regulated water quality standards. Water sample results may be reviewed at the following web page: http://163.191.83.31/dww/JSP/WaterSystemDetail.jsp?tinsys_is_number=715958&tinwsys_st_code=IL&wsnumber=IL0150200"

6. Alderman Rose reported the police committee discussed the following matters at the police committee meeting: Noted the March report from Chief Cass, Chief Cass reported he ordered the taser equipment, and discussed possible grants for equipment.

Alderman Charles reported of the April 24th finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation MAYFEST & GRAD to approve the \$125.00 cost for 2 ads with the Mirror Democrat newspaper. ADS One ad for the student graduation recognition and the other to have the advertisement for the Mayfest booklet. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
3. Clerk Cuckler reported that Ms. Susan Rogers would be filling in for Shawna Houzenga as the city hall and community house custodian while Shawna was off for maternity leave.
4. Reviewed some of the bills payable.
5. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation INTERFUND to interfund transfer \$14,500 from the general fund to the cemetery TRANSFER endowment fund to pay back the interfund loan. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
6. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to INTERFUND approve the interfund transfer of \$28,000 from the Debt Service fund to TRANSFERS the general fund and then from the general fund to the park fund. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
7. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to INTERFUND approve the interfund transfer of \$10,000 from the debt service fund to the TRANSFER sewer fund. Roll call vote: Aldermen Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
8. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to INTERFUND approve the interfund transfer of \$3,000 from the debt service fund to the TRANSFER water fund. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
9. Discussed the budget and asked the clerk to have a draft of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance for the next council meeting.

Mayor Bates asked the council to consider the "Release and Waiver" form WAIVER FORM drafted by the city attorney to be presented to volunteers offering to help mow and clean up areas of City property this summer. The information had been provided to the City's insurance provider and

there was a positive response with the suggestion if there was anyone under 18 years of age to have parental or guardian approval in writing as well. Discussed that the City could provide fuel for the lawn mowers that would be used for this work. Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Charles seconded to approve the Release and Waiver form as presented for the volunteer help this summer. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Clerk Cuckler noted the information she provided regarding the financial GASB 54, Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions. There would be more discussion at future meetings as the auditors would need input from the council on implementing this into the financial statements.

Alderman Sisler moved and Alderman Bork seconded to authorize a bidding process to seek quotes for the City's auditing services for this year. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Bork, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

AUDITING
SERVICES

Under general audience comments Mr. Dan Kruse, South Clay Street, commented about the purchase of the taser equipment.

Alderman Bork moved and Alderman Charles seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, Bork, yes, and Risko, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the May 8, 2012 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector