

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 10, 2012 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Mick Parsons 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, present, and Doris Bork, present.  
Aldermen Risko 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 December 27, 2011 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose,  
yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Bork, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was  
carried.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Rose seconded to authorize the ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of January 2012 as approved by the finance  
committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Bork, yes, and  
Charles, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported the bank account balances were at \$471,168.69 as FINANCIAL REPORT  
of today. Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve the financial report as  
presented. Aldermen Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote:  
6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles reported of the January 10<sup>th</sup> finance committee COMMITTEES  
meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Mr. Gary Foltz, The National Bank, was in attendance and presented information about the  
public funds deposit analysis that will change the bank's policy to pledge securities for the City.  
He explained that through the 2012 year that they would allow an interest bearing account total  
of up to \$250,000 that would be FDIC insured and then the Federal Government would secure an  
unlimited amount of non-interest bearing accounts above that amount. For the 2012 calendar  
year only. Would want to look at our accounts. The finance committee to consider any changes  
to the bank accounts at the next committee meeting.
3. Discussed water bill collections.
4. Discussed the financial report of the revenues and expenses for the month of December.

Mr. Lou Schau, CDC, was in attendance and reported that they would be CDC UPDATE  
working on the memorial park benches project again this spring. If we hear of anyone interested to let  
him know.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Charles seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO.  
Ordinance No. 2012-1-11, AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL 2012-1-11  
USE. Alderman Sisler asked a question about whether certain requirements from the city code under the  
guest home with sleeping quarters section needed to be added to the ordinance presented this evening.  
City Attorney Ronald Coplan was in attendance and stated not in his opinion. Alderman Sisler noted that  
it would be prudent to provide a copy of the city code section to Ms. Susan Rogers once the ordinance  
was adopted. Clerk Cuckler stated she could do that with a copy of the ordinance. Roll call vote:

Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2012-1-11 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Rose moved and Alderman Bork seconded to approve the MEETING DATE CHANGE change in the regular meeting date of the City Council meeting for December 25, 2012 to be set at December 26, 2012. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mr. Stan Kosmecki, 207 N. Clay Street, was in attendance and addressed GENERAL AUDIENCE the council about a vehicle speeding ticket he received in November. He noted he would like the police to try to observe more of the traffic on Clay Street. He stated he felt there were many violators of the speed limit.

Alderman Sisler asked about the status of the community house bathroom project and the transportation of the bricks from Amboy. Mayor Bates stated he had been in contact with Jay Zickau of Zickau Construction about starting the bathroom remodeling project. It would be proceeding this winter. No word on the brick pavers.

Alderman Bergren reported of the December 21<sup>st</sup> historic preservation HPAC advisory committee meeting. Under old business the committee reviewed the maintenance of the historic district signs and discussed when to start a landmark designation application of the Jim & Sarah Wheeler house on South Clay Street. Under new business the committee discussed the plans to provide periodic articles to the newspaper or newspapers about remarkable properties in the historic district with recent updates done by the owners. The first article would be done by Larry DeSpain, owner of 116 W. Market Street (Hotel Glenview building).

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

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the January 24, 2012 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler  
City Clerk & Collector