

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

Mrs. Mary Boelkens 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 Bergren led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. Ralph Eads gave the invocation.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Rose seconded to approve the minutes MINUTES
of the January 10, 2012 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes,
Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Bork, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Risko 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 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported the bank account balances were at \$361,824.07 as FINANCIAL REPORT
of today. Alderman Bergren 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 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles reported of the January 23rd license & ordinance COMMITTEES
committee meeting: The committee reviewed the latest draft of the Peddlers, Solicitors and Transient
Merchants Ordinance. The committee members decided to review this and have all comments for the
next meeting in February. Alderman Rose asked about what could be done about when residents snow
blow or shovel snow from their property out into the streets after the City has plowed the streets. He
stated he had trouble getting up Pleasant Street with his vehicle due to this. To check with the City
Attorney. There was some discussion about this matter at the council meeting, but no action was
presented.

Alderman Risko reported of the January 23rd streets committee meeting: STREETS
1. The committee discussed snow plowing, the purchase of road salt for this year and the latest
inspection of the Galena Street bridge by the IDOT engineers.
2. Alderman Risko presented the streets committee recommendation SIGN MANAGEMENT
to approve "The City of Mt. Carroll Sign Management & POLICY
Maintenance Policy" as drafted by the Carroll County Highway Department for the local
governments to meet state and federal regulations. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko,
yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion
was carried.

Alderman Rose reported of the January 23rd police committee meeting: POLICE
1. The committee heard from the chief that there had been some progress regarding the past
burglary investigations.

Chief Cass stated that he had held off for a time the purchase of the taser equipment.

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

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.

2. The committee reviewed the letter from the Savanna Thomson State Bank about depositing other accounts with their bank, and the proposed interest rate.
3. Discussed the sewer fund account negative balance. A water and sewer committee meeting was scheduled for January 31, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in city hall to consider the sewer user charge rate.
4. Discussed the Rural Development Conference coming up in March in Peoria, IL. To have more details at the next finance committee meeting.
5. Discussed the iFiber installation in the immediate area.

Clerk Cuckler reported she would be attending the first planning meeting **MITIGATION PLAN** for the multi-jurisdictional natural hazards mitigation plan for Carroll County. The first meeting will be at the Farm Bureau building at 1:00 p.m. on February 2nd. She stated that anyone else from the council or community could attend to provide input for this project.

Mr. Jeff Woodside, South East Street, was in attendance and addressed **GENERAL AUDIENCE** the council about snow removal from the latest snow event and wondered about the above mentioned mitigation planning meeting.

Alderman Sisler asked about the status of the community house bathroom project and noted that since this was a building constructed before 1978 that the lead abatement regulations would need to be reviewed and handled before the project was started. Mayor Bates stated he would check with the contractor about this.

Alderman Rose asked about the Boy Scout flags that he understood were still at the community house as well. Chief Cass noted that he would check on that matter and stated that his brother Rick was working on starting a troop in the Mount Carroll area.

Mayor Bates noted the letter from the Illinois Department of Transportation regarding their latest inspection of the Galena Street Bridge.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Rose seconded to adjourn the meeting. **ADJOURNMENT**
Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Bork, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the February 14, 2012 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector