

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 12, 2013 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Steve Haring 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 Charles led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Mr. John Ricketts gave the invocation.

Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve the MINUTES minutes of the October 22, 2013 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 November 2013 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 the bank account balances were at \$441,397.31 FINANCIAL REPORT as of today before the accounts payable are paid.

Alderman Charles reported of the November 12<sup>th</sup> finance committee meeting: COMMITTEES FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to approve the interfund transfer of \$480.78 from INTERFUND TRANSFER the enterprise surplus account from The National Bank to the enterprise sewer account at the Savanna Thomson State Bank. Roll call vote: Aldermen Sisler, no, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 5 yeses, 1 no and 0 absent. The motion was carried.
3. The committee discussed some of the budget issues to consider for next year. To ask the department heads for their input at the committee meetings in the next two months. Mayor Bates reported that he had gotten an informal notification that the City would be receiving the CDAP grant for the sewer lining project. This would need to be figured into next year's budget.
4. Mr. Lou Schau, Mount Carroll Community Development Corporation (CDC). was in attendance and reported a history of the CDC, their activities for this last year and how they are planning for future activities. He asked the council members to consider some input towards their committee's future projects.

Under old business Alderman Charles reported that the dumpster had been CLEAN UP AND removed from the "Bushy Flats" area. There was a lot of debris removed so far. REPAIR PROJECTS To reassess the area for any future clean up. Mayor Bates reported that the notices to the owner of 209 W. Market Street were in progress. The council members discussed the latest update and report from the city's consulting engineer and Mrs. Haas' architect regarding the progress of the masonry wall repair at 124 W. Market Street (corner of Carroll and Market Streets). Mayor Bates reported that the engineer had commented that the final work to tie into the roof system was not completed yet. Mayor Bates asked the council to consider whether they would like the engineer to conduct another site visit when this was close to completion. This would be a third visit that would need approval from the council. Alderman

Risko moved and Alderman Charles seconded to authorize the City's ENGINEER SERVICES Consulting Engineer Todd Birkel to conduct another site visit to observe the masonry wall repair at 124 W. Market Street (at a cost of \$600.00). Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

## BID OPENING

Mayor Bates stated the next item on the agenda was the opening of bids SALE OF REAL ESTATE for the sale of real estate, the property located at 113 N. Mill Street. Mayor Bates reported one bid was submitted. That bid was from Mr. Brian Krull, Barrington, IL and the amount he offered was \$501.00. Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Bergren seconded to accept the bid submitted by Mr. Brian Krull for \$501.00 to purchase the real estate located at 113 N. Mill Street. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles moved and Alderman Risko seconded to pass Ordinance ORDINANCE NO. No. 2013-11-8, AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR ALL 2013-11-8 CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2013 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2014. Roll call vote; Alderman Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2013-11-8 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Charles seconded to pass Ordinance ORDINANCE NO. No. 2013-11-9, AN AMENDMENT TO AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISH- 2013-11-9 ING AN ENTEPRISE ZONE WITHIN THE COUNTIES OF WHITESIDE AND CARROLL. Mayor Bates noted this was to add the Kunes'Country Auto Group of Mount Carroll into the enterprise zone for their redevelopment project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2013-11-9 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

In discussion of the December meeting dates, Alderman Grim moved and DECEMBER MEETING Alderman Risko seconded to change the second meeting date in DATES December 2013 from December 24, 2013 to December 23, 2013, to follow the committee meetings on that night. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Charles, yes. Vote: 6 yeases and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Under general audience Mr. Jim Fiser, South Jackson Street, commented GENERAL AUDIENCE about the noise from Henry's Double K last weekend and Mr. Lou Schau presented more information about the ongoing projects under the CDC. Several council members in attendance stated that they would take turns attending the monthly CDC meetings.

Under correspondence Alderman Bergren read the thank you letter CORRESPONDENCE presented to the council by City Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Cindi Wiersema for allowing her to attend the Carroll County Leadership Roundtable over the last ten months. Mayor Bates noted the letter from Ms. Susan Morgan regarding a tree at the City cemetery, the public notice regarding the planning commission meeting on November 14, 2013 to review a variance application, the letter from Mediacom regarding the cable television channels, and the letter from Mr. Russ Simpson, Carroll County Leadership Roundtable Co-facilitator, regarding next year's program starting in January.

Alderman Bergren moved and Alderman Risko seconded to adjourn the ADJOURNMENT meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the November 26, 2013 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler  
City Clerk & Collector