

MINUTES OF THE MAY 28, 2013 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Ms. Jessica Moore 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 Rose led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. John Boelkens gave the invocation.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Charles seconded to approve the MINUTES
minutes of the May 14, 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 Bergren seconded to authorize ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of May 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 \$379,372.38 FINANCIAL REPORT
as of today before the accounts payable are paid.

COMMITTEES
The committee meetings held on May 28th starting at 6:00 p.m. for streets, water & sewer, police,
cemetery, license and ordinance and finance are added to these minutes. The action items for council
approval are presented as follows:

Alderman Risko presented the streets committee recommendation to STREETS
approve the purchase and installation of ten new trees from Jim Kalina NEW TREES
with the placement location to be determined by the tree board and the street superintendent. Roll call
vote: Aldermen Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 6
yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Rose presented the police committee recommendation to POLICE
hire Kune's Country Auto Group of Mt. Carroll to replace the motor CAR REPAIRS
in the City squad car at a cost of \$4,500 and the repair of the seat at the cost of \$425. Roll call vote:
Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, and Sisler, yes. Vote: 6 yeses
and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to FINANCE
approve to re-classify the \$8,000.00 loan to the recreation fund from the RE-CLASSIFY
City general fund to an interfund transfer for operations. Roll call vote: INTERFUND LOAN
Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Charles, yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses
and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to BAND FUND
approve the contribution of \$300.00 from the City band fund to the CONCERT DONATION
Lutheran Church towards a concert to be held on June 23rd. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Charles,
yes, Rose, yes, Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was
carried.

Alderman Charles presented the finance committee recommendation to JOB POSTING
approve the job posting for the open position with the City water and sewer department. 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 reported under the old business regarding the clean up COMMERCIAL ST of the Commercial Street property, he talked with and met with the owner, CLEAN UP Mr. Jim Johnson. Much of the scrap metal has been removed. There was another car, a truck, some tires and angle iron yet to be removed. He had noted that he might burn some of the brush, but questioned whether more was needed. In discussion, Mr. Tom Cravatta, his business located to the southeast of this property, was in attendance and stated he felt more of the saplings and overgrowth of trees should be removed. Alderman Charles reported that he would contact Mr. Johnson about getting the materials out that would allow him to keep the lot mowed.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve SAFE ROUTES TO making contact to the school district about the Safe Routes to School SCHOOL GRANT grant initiative being handled through the Whiteside County Health Department to consider whether signage was needed. 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.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Charles seconded to grant a RAFFLE LICENSE raffle license to the Mount Carroll Fire Department. Roll call vote: Aldermen Sisler, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, here, Charles, yes, Rose, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the next Northern Illinois Mayor's Association meeting would be held in Mount Carroll on July 11, 2013. It is an evening meeting and hoped everyone would try to attend and the place would be announced when he had that reserved.

Under general audience Alderman Bergren reported of a resident that should be contacted about the tall weeds and grass, Alderman Sisler commented about the necessary regulations for securing flammable materials in a flood hazard area when considering the proposed distillery on Mill Street again in the future, Alderman Risko stated he had not received the information about the time taken to respond to the Freedom of Information Act requests recently, so he did not have a report for that yet, Mr. Reid Law was in attendance and commented that he thought the City swimming pool was an asset for our small town and wondered if the council would look at making improvements to keep more of the residents in town using the facility.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Charles 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 8:18 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City council approved these minutes at the June 11, 2013 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector

Streets, Water & Sewer,
 NAME OF COMMITTEE Cemetery, Public PLACE OF MEETING City Hall
 DATE OF MEETING May 28, 2013

TIME MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 6:00 PM

THOSE PRESENT Mayor Bates, Alderman Risko, Grim, Berger, Rose, Charles,
 Sisler

ITEMS OF BUSINESS DISCUSSED, RECOMMENDATIONS OR DECISIONS:

Streets -

1. Choir Comm. Members - Alderman Risko, Berger, Grim and Rose.
 Process of committee meeting
2. Completed projects - trimmed trees, plowed streets & removed snow, maintained equipment, removed dead limbs & storm debris, trash barrels added & painted at cemetery, installed dead end sign on B's Street, swept streets, did spring cleanup at Cemetery, sidewalk & retaining wall project started on Main Street, cleaned the pool parking lot & 2 new summer hires started work.
3. Current Projects -
 - a. Tree timing done - to consider the purchase of about 10 new trees, Supt. Dauphin stated he could work with the tree board. Go with Jim Kelvia's nursery
 - b. Recommendation to purchase + install
 Continue to sweep streets
 - c. Barton Street repair - resurface that small section remaining from Post Project. Work with Law's Excavating & seal coat by County. Later this summer. 410' long, 18' wide change to 22' 1/2' wide. \$9,119 for cost of Law's Excavating. Time line next mtg.
 - d. Sidewalk/retaining wall project - Work ongoing. Hope to complete by next week weather permitting. Paul Law in attendance & reported of some of the work.
 - e. Discuss covering East View Street - Need to have the base of the road completed before City would take over. Property owners could do that work to specs of City road ways.
 - f. Discussion of cleaning cemetery stones - Could crew do some of the maintenance that learned from workshop. Supt. Dauphin stated they could do some of this. Look at this fall.
 - g. Discussed seal coating and asphaltting the alleys.

TIME MEETING WAS ADJOURNED:

MINUTES TAKEN BY: Clerk Cuckler

Cemetery -

1. Chair decided - Alderman Mike Risko.
2. Review of cemetery stone repairs proposals
 Moore Monument - grand total - \$3,515
 Pruitt Cemetery Foundation Inc. \$2,780
 Tracy Monuments - 2,695
 Reseting Tablets along entrance drive
 Moore did come back last year & reset the one stone.
 Need to get back to vendors to get the specifics of the quote.
 Ald. Risko reported at Moore Monument
3. City approved to have the endowment fund to the cemetery operation & maintenance fund.
4. Discussed the Campbell Center Grave stone workshop.
5. Equipment any issues, summer help.
 Supt. Dauphin maintenance ok with equipment & summer help ok.

Water & Sewer

1. All of materials for the RBC's at sewer plant now ordered.
2. Swimming pool - should be ready by Saturday.
 The lift chair work in progress. Should be done by Thursday.
 Have a quote for 2 new stools at the pool -
 Supt. Hodel noted the toilets at the pool now are operational.
 Get some more information about quote & what would meet the compliance issues
3. Replacing vacant position in staff.
4. Hydrant flushing mentioned as well as painting.
 Replacement plan to be considered. Would look to replace one this year.

Police

1. Chief Cass reported the motor in the Crown Victoria Squad needs replacing.
 - Kuro's County Auto - \$4,500 (remanufactured assembly) Lesser costs for motors with same use
 - Chuck's \$4,574.19
 - East Savena Welding & Repairs - \$1,500 for a new Crata motor.
 Recommendation to hire Kuro's County Auto Group to replace the motor in the squad cost at the cost of \$4,500 and Kuro's \$425 for repair of seat
 Also a new seat needed \$400-\$500

NAME OF COMMITTEE

Committees
Continued

PLACE OF MEETING

City Hall

DATE OF MEETING

May 28, 2013

TIME MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

THOSE PRESENT

Mayor Bates, Aldermen Begren, Grim, Charles, Rose, Parks & Sipes

ITEMS OF BUSINESS DISCUSSED, RECOMMENDATIONS OR DECISIONS:

Police -

2. Chief reported he went to the Bushy Flats area and took some pictures.
3. The Jefferson Street property - have looked at and need input from Council there. one neighbor has stated he wants to file a formal complaint. Complaints about Jim Johnson not moving fast enough. Seeing progress. Chief - need to sit down and go over process for handling the nuisance complaints.
4. Chief would like to look for another part time officer. No objections from the committee.

Licensed ordinance

1. 6 properties sent letters about fall grass
2. Handbook - coming soon a draft.
3. Tom Garatta in attendance. Jim Johnson property tall trees - blocks view to his business. Talk about in council

Finance

1. Bills reviewed & approved.
2. Recommendation to approve to reclassify the loan of \$8,000 to the recreation fund from the general fund to inter fund transfer for operations. In audit from last year.
3. Discussed restroom cleaning at Park Concession stand - current custodian to do this summer.
4. Recommendation to approve contribution to Lutheran Church for \$300.00 for concert entertainment to be paid from the Bond Fund.
5. Recommendation to approve job postings for open positions with the City water and sewer department.

TIME MEETING WAS ADJOURNED:
MINUTES TAKEN BY:

7:27 p.m.