

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2016 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Tom Sorg 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 Paul Kaczmarski, present, Jim Rose, present, Kevin Powers, present, Doug Bergren, present, ROLL CALL
Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.
Alderman Risko led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. Jeff Davis gave the invocation.

The public hearing regarding the Department of Commerce and PUBLIC HEARING
Economic Opportunity Community Development Block Grant program was held at this time. The
minutes for this section are made and presented separate.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve the RESOLUTION
Resolution of Support and Commitment of Local Funds. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes,
Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The
resolution of support for the CDAP grant for the sewer lining project was adopted by unanimous roll call
vote.

Mr. Matt Schueler and Ms. Brooke Woodinmiller, Wipfli, LLP, were ANNUAL AUDIT
in attendance and addressed the council about the annual audit for the fiscal year ended April 30, 2016.
Mr. Schueler noted several sections from the report for the council to review for the net position of the
city's fund balances. He reported of the new GASB standard that presents all of the pension information
into the financial statements this year. Overall the fund balances were looking better than the year
before, the city's pension plan was very well funded, and the City had complied, in all material respects,
with the requirements in the provisions of the Illinois Tax Increment Redevelopment Allocation Act
(TIF). Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve and accept the annual audit
report as presented and place on file. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes,
Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmarski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Powers seconded to approve MINUTES
the minutes of the August 23, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes,
Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The
motion was carried.

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Grim seconded to ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
authorize the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of September 2016 as approved by
the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes,
Rose, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT
totaling \$600,650.63 as of today. COMMITTEES

Alderman Grim reported of the September 13th water & sewer committee WATER & SEWER
meeting:

1. The committee heard a presentation by Eagle Point Solar representatives, Matthew Shear and Larry Steffen, about solar power for the proposed wastewater treatment improvements.

The committee was in agreement to have Mr. Shear and Mr. Steffen work with the City's consulting engineers to determine the needs for the new plant, and Mayor Bates reported that MSA was familiar with this company. Mr. Shear reviewed different funding options, and Mr. Steffen stated that they could review the City's electric bill for the current plant over the past twelve months. The consensus of the water and sewer committee members was to send the electric bill information to Eagle Point Solar, and have someone from Mount Carroll contact the representative from the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation to express the City's interest in the Net Zero Energy WWTP Grant Program.

2. Aldermen Grim reported the committee would have information about the purchase of a new van at the next regular committee meeting on the 27th of the month.

Alderman Risko reported of the September 13th streets committee meeting: STREETS

1. Superintendent Dauphin reported that two more alleys were yet to be completed for this summer.
2. Superintendent Dauphin reported that they were working on the remaining storm sewers to be repaired as well. The area at the intersection of Carroll and Center Streets was going to be a tube replacement.
3. Alderman Risko reported of talking with the county engineer about the status of the Galena Street Bridge project.
4. Alderman Risko presented the streets committee recommendation GUTTERS FOR SALT BIN to approve the quote from Savanna Seamless Gutters in the amount of \$540.67 for the installation of new gutters on the City salt bin building. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.
5. Mr. Rick Russell, Galena Street, was in attendance and addressed GALENA ST. BRIDGE the council about the Galena Street Bridge. He commented about the recent monthly inspections, and complained about the noise and vibrations from the traffic crossing the bridge. The committee members stated they would ask the street superintendent to look at the planking on the bridge approach and deck area to see what could be improved.
6. Alderman Grim reported that the Park and Recreation Mount UP committee received a grant from the Mount Carroll Community Foundation for the Walking Storybook project at Point Rock Park.

Alderman Rose reported of the September 13th police committee meeting: POLICE

1. Chief Cass provided a month report for the July and August. Typical summer months.
2. Chief Cass reported the squad cars were working well.
3. K-9, Scout recently received another shot for his chronic shoulder issues.
4. Alderman Rose presented the police committee recommendation KEVIN STEWART to hire Mr. Kevin Stewart as a part time officer for the City roster to help with office and investigation paperwork. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, bergren, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.
5. Alderman grim expressed his appreciation to go to Officer Asay for his help with the Brick Street Day street closings.

Alderman Kaczmariski reported of the September 13th finance committee FINANCE meeting:

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Kaczmariski presented the finance committee COMPUTER SERVICES recommendation to approve the invoice from Dynamic Horizons Computer Services for equipment and labor to upgrade the City Hall computer's memory and set up a wireless

network at a cost of \$670.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, no, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 5 yeses, 1 no and 0 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to accept the VARIANCE REQUEST planning commission recommendation to deny the request for a variance that was submitted by Ms. Catlynne Leif, 411 E. Ridge Street, to build a garage structure which would be located 15' 7" from the front boundary. Roll call vote: Aldermen Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Under old business the council discussed the status of the vacant and OLD BUSINESS unkept properties. City Attorney Coplan reported he has been in contact with a building inspector, Mr. Jim Kelly, of East Dundee about inspecting the Bushy Flats buildings. There were some other details that would be considered to retain Mr. Kelly as a consultant. Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmariski seconded to authorize City Attorney Coplan to get a written proposal from Mr. Kelly to complete a building inspection of the "Bushy Flats" building located in the 200 block of East Market Street. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, and Rose, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmariski seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. Ordinance No. 2016-09-7, AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE 2016-09-7 CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL TO BORROW FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY LOAN PROGRAM. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes.

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Grim seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09-8 Ordinance No. 2016-09-8, AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE WHITESIDE CARROLL ENTERPRISE ZONE, CITY OF MT. CARROLL, -ENTERPRISE ZONE DESIGNATION-, -PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT-. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes.

Mayor Bates noted that the Fall Bulky Waste pick up was scheduled for October 1st.

Under public comment Ms. Michelle Fossett was in attendance GENERAL AUDIENCE and reminded the council members of the Fall Fling Get Together on September 22nd and reported that she would be the representative from the CDC attending the council meetings regularly. Alderman Grim reported that the Savanna Park District was conducting a lifeguarding class this October. Will try to get the word out to the local high school students.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Powers seconded to ADJOURNMENT adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Rose, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the September 27, 2016 regular meeting.

Julie Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector