

MINUTES OF THE APRIL 25, 2017 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Haiden Bates 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,

ROLL CALL

Jim Rose, absent, Kevin Powers, present, Doug Bergren, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.

Alderman Bergren led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Kurt Frederick gave the invocation.

Alderman Kaczmarski moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2017 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, and 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

MINUTES

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Grim seconded to authorize the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of April 2017 as presented by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were totaling \$639,485.23 as of today.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Alderman Grim reported of the april 18th recreation board meeting:

COMMITTEES

RECREATION BOARD

1. Decided to maintain the same rental rate with Camp Banson for the use of the swimming pool.
2. Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to approve the reimbursement of \$25.00 to the lifeguards that complete the lifeguard certification training and approve the reimbursement of \$50.00 at the end of the summer season with a good job evaluation. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

LIFEGUARD TRAINING

3. The swimming pool staff would be coordinating an emergency action plan and training session with the Camp Benson staff as soon as would be possible this season.

4. Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to approve the recreation board recommendation to hire Marcus Fitzpatrick and Keeley Brinkmeier as assistant pool managers this season, and the following as lifeguards so far: Natalie O'Connor, Olivia Brinkmeier, Orion Sedivy, and Abbygail Merema. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

EMPLOYEE HIRES

5. The next meeting was scheduled for May 9th at 6:00 p.m. Seeking more applicants for lifeguards. Alderman Grim reported of the April 25th water & sewer committee meeting:

WATER & SEWER

1. Mr. Nick Wagner, MSA Professional Services, Inc., and Sharon Pepin, Community Funding & Planning Services (CFPS) were in attendance to discuss the status of the engineering and funding sources for the wastewater treatment plant project. Noting that the design engineering would be a part of the funding from the IEPA loan but the reimbursement could not be approved until the project was bid and awarded for contract. Sharon reported that she was in contact with a couple of other bank representatives and bonding sources to see if these were options to be considered for the interim funding of the design engineering. Nick stated that they were aware of

the status of this and were mindful of what items they could start and complete as the funding was being reviewed.

2. Alderman Grim presented the water and sewer committee WATER METER PROJECT recommendation to approve the advertisement to seek bids for the water meter replacement project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
3. Alderman Grim reported that the refurbished chlorinator equipment should be delivered soon.
4. Alderman Grim presented the water and sewer committee SEWER LINING PROJECT recommendation to approve the services per the Micro-Purchase Agreement in the amount of \$2,500.00 with Sharon Pepin, CFPS, to pursue the final award of the CDBG program grant for the sewer lining project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Kaczmariski reported of the April 25th finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approve.
2. Alderman Kaczmariski presented the finance committee recommendation CRIME to approve the contribution of \$100.00 to the Carroll County Crime STOPPERS Stoppers organization. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. The motion was carried.
3. Alderman Kaczmariski presented the finance committee recommendation CITY HALL to authorize the painting service for the awning in front of city hall to be donw by Mr. Chris Rogers at the cost of \$900.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Powers, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Under old business, Mayor Bates and City Attorney Ronald Coplan reported of the court hearing regarding the Market Street “Bushy Flats” properties held on April 18th. City Attorney Coplan reported that he had Mr. Mike Wolber, the building inspector, on the stand to testify to the condition of the building. He stated there was a judgement taken and that he would have the orders for Judge Gunnarsson to sign in the near future. Regarding the Miller Street propety City Attorney Coplan stated that he had drafted the notice needed to advertise for bids. He felt that a set of specifications should be compiled before the notice was published. The mayor and city attorney to work on this.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmariski seconded to pass RESOLUTION Resolution No. R4-2017-8, A Resolution Declaring the Results of the April 4, 2017 Consolidated Election. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Powers, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.

The newly elected officers were: Carl R. Bates, Mayor, Julie A. Cuckler, City Clerk, Jeff Elliott, Alderman for Ward 1, Joseph C. Grim, Alderman for Ward 2 and Mike Risko, Jr., Alderman for Ward 3. Mayor Bates read a Certificate of Appreciation to retiring Alderman Doug Bergren from Ward 1. The Oath of Office was administered by City Treasurer/Deputy Clerk Cynthia Wiersema.

Mayor Bates called for a second roll call for the new council. ROLL CALL
Roll Call: Mayor Carl Bates, present, Aldermen Paul Kaczmarks, present, Jim Rose, absent, Kevin Powers, present, Jeff Elliott, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve the **ARBOR DAY**
The Arbor Day Proclamation. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried. Alderman Risko read the Arbor Day Proclamation and reported of the Arbor Day activities scheduled for April 28th at the Frances Wood Shimer Memorial Arboretum on the Campbell Center campus.

Alderman Kaczmarski moved and Alderman Powers seconded to pass **RESOLUTION**
Resolution No. R4-2017-7, A Resolution of the City of Mount Carroll, Carroll County, Illinois, Approving the Appropriation of Funds from the City's Redevelopment Project Area Special Tax Allocation Fund for the Payment of Public Infrastructure Expenditures. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to pass **APPROPRIATION**
Ordinance No. 2017-4-12, Appropriation Ordinance. Roll call vote: **ORDINANCE**
Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. Ordinance No. 2017-4-12 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.

Alderman Kaczmarski moved and Alderman Powers seconded to pass **RESOLUTION**
The Corporate Resolution Accepting a Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority's Abandoned Residential property Municipal Relief Program. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to approve **CERTIFICATE**
the Incumbancy Certificate to be submitted to the Illinois Housing Development Authority. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes, and 1 absent. The motion was carried.

Under general audience, Mr. Len Anderson addressed the council **GENERAL AUDIENCE**
and presented another \$150.00 to go towards Scout's medical care. The total collected to date was at \$1,765.00. Mr. Daniel Danileowski, Executive Director, Timberlake Playhouse, was in attendance and addressed the council about this summer's activities and performances and the business operations behind the scenes. Ms. Michelle Fossett, CDC and Sesquicentennial Committee, was in attendance and addressed the council about the recent Art Tour event. Very nice attendance and thanks to Penny Thacher that did a lot of the work around the event. Ms. Barb Brierton bid on the silent auction painting providing a contribution of \$600.00 into the City's Sesquicentennial fund. Ms. Fossett noted some upcoming activities, April 28th and 29th Rummage through Mount Carroll, the Arbor Day activity on April 28th, and the Victorian Tea on May 7th.

Under correspondence Mayor Bates reported of the following:

1. Galena Street Bridge inspection report of April 17, 2017.
2. Information from the Blackhawk Hills Regional Council about the May 24th Annual Meeting and Spring Summit
3. Discussed the information from FEMA regarding the National Flood Insurance Program

Mayor Bates reported that Alderman Rose was not here this evening because he has been ill and hospitalized. He stated he would keep the council updated about his condition.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to ADJOURNMENT
adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes,
Grim, yes, and Rose, absent. Vote: 5 yeses, 0 noes and 1 absent. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at
8:23 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the May 9, 2017 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector