

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Ms. 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 Paul Kaczmarski, present, ROLL CALL
Eric Wiltshire, present, Kevin Powers, absent, Jeff Elliott, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, absent.
Alderman Risko led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. John Ricketts gave the invocation.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Wiltshire seconded to approve MINUTES
the minutes of the May 22, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Kaczmarski moved and Alderman Elliott seconded to authorize ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of June 2018 as presented by the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Wiltshire, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, and Powers and Grim, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT
totaling \$642,182.07 as of today.

Alderman Elliott reported of the June 12th streets committee meeting: COMMITTEES
STREETS
1. Superintendent Dauphin reported of current road repair projects.
2. The committee discussed the sale of the 2001 2-ton International DUMP TRUCK
dump truck to Northern Illinois Diesel. The truck was not repaired. A new engine and box
would have been needed if repaired. Council purchased a newer truck from Bonnell Industries,
Inc. Alderman Elliott presented the streets committee recommendation to sell the 2001
International dump truck to Northern Illinois Diesel of Mount Carroll, IL for a payment of
\$2,050.00; and Northern Illinois Diesel agreeing to waive the towing and labor bill submitted in
the amount of \$968.75; and the city agreeing to provide the snow plow and spreader equipment
that was being used with this vehicle. Roll call vote: Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes,
Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, and Powers and Grim absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2
absent. The motion was carried.
3. Noted the new flower basket structures that were recently donated to the City and have been
placed on five the light poles in the downtown area.

Alderman Wiltshire reported of the June 12th police committee meeting: POLICE

1. The monthly activity report was reviewed.
2. Discussed the use of the squad vehicles.
3. Chief Cass reported he had ordered the new camera equipment.
4. Discussed the tall weeds and grass ordinance violations.

Alderman Kaczmarski reported of the June 12th finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Kaczmarski acknowledged the receipt of the Oak Hill Endowment of \$1,200
from the Community Foundation of Mount Carroll for the care, maintenance and upkeep
of the Oak Hill Cemetery.
3. Alderman Kaczmarski presented the finance committee INTERFUND TRANSFERS

3. recommendation to approve the interfund transfers of \$6,000.00 from the Capital Savings Account, \$24,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) and \$60,000.00 from the BDD Fund to the City general fund to pay for the purchase of the new 2-ton dump truck. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Elliott, yes, and Grim and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Wiltshire reported of the June 12th recreation board meeting: RECREATION

1. Alderman Wiltshire reported of discussion regarding the opening of the pool, maintenance projects, and that Camp Benson had started bringing the campers.
2. Discussed the 5K Fundraiser event (July 7th)

OLD BUSINESS

Clerk Cuckler reported that City Attorney Ronald Coplan had stated in a telephone conversation today that he was making a second follow up contact to all of the property owners of the "Bushy Flats" property about the liens that were recorded against the property for the demolition. He also stated that he was having a title search done for the other unkept vacant properties recently discussed.

BUSHY FLATS

VACANT PROPERTIES

Mayor Bates reported that he attended a meeting on June 2nd with representatives from Campbell Center and a potential developer. It was a positive meeting, but no action was presented at this time. Consensus of the council members in attendance that the city crew would continue mowing the campus as needed until further notice.

CAMPBELL CENTER

Ms. Sharon Pepin, CFPS, was in attendance and addressed the council about the proposed ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO BORROW FUNDS FROM THE WATER POLLUTION CONTROL LOAN PROGRAM for the new wastewater treatment plant facility. The City is eligible for up to 45% in principal loan forgiveness from IEPA based upon the Proposed Affordability Criteria and Principal Forgiveness Guidelines, and is also eligible for a reduced interest rate based upon 'small community' and 'financial hardship' criteria, and after July 1st the City could opt for a 30-year loan term. She provided information comparing the payback estimates for the 20-year and 30-year terms. The City would need to determine which of the two terms to be included into the ordinance before passage, so she asked that the council review the information and communicate back to her that decision. There was discussion about a change with the CDBG grant income survey requirements. She stated she would report back about that information once they received an opinion from the state DCEO office.

IEPA LOAN DISBURSEMENT

Ms. Sharon Pepin addressed the council about an IEPA water meter & hydrant replacement project loan disbursement request. She reported that the supplies received to date and the billing for the water meter purchase for Contract A with Core and Main has been reviewed and should be approved for the first payment application to the state in the amount of \$141,968.00. Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Wiltshire seconded to approve loan request #1 to the IEPA for the payment application #1 from Core & Main in the amount of \$141,968.00. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Wiltshire, yes, and Powers and Grim, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Ms. Pepin reported there would be a change order request regarding the water meter project which she would provide at a future meeting.

Alderman Kaczmariski moved and Alderman Elliott seconded to approve the street solicitation request from the Humane Society of Carroll County for June 23, 2018. Roll call vote: Aldermen Wiltshire, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, and Grim and Powers,

absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 2 absent. The motion was carried.

Under general audience, Mr. Will Mueller, Mt. Carroll Chamber, GENERAL AUDIENCE reported that he was no longer the president of the Chamber, (Alderman) Jeff Elliott was elected at the board's last meeting. And he reported that a new Mayfest committee was under organization and Brandon Ballard, a former resident of Mount Carroll, has volunteered to chair that committee.

Ms. Sharon Pepin, CFPS, provided to the council members in attendance a draft information sheet listing out several options for the close out of the City's (CDAP) Revolving Loan Fund with the State Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO). The City could use the monies for up to two CDBG eligible projects once it was decided which one of the options the City could fund. To review this information and have more discussion at the next meeting.

Mayor Bates reported of the following correspondence:

1. Information from the Illinois Municipal League about a Liquor Licensing and Regulation Workshop in June
2. Received a letter of resignation from Mr. Marty Rapp from the Mount Carroll Planning Commission. Mayor Bates reported he moved outside the City's corporate limits. He stated that made two members on the commission as Mr. Brett Yochem also moved out of town recently.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Wiltshire seconded to adjourn ADJOURNMENT the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarek, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 2 absent. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the June 26, 2018 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector