

MINUTES OF THE JUNE 26, 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 Kaczmariski, absent, ROLL CALL  
Eric Wiltshire, absent, Kevin Powers, absent, Jeff Elliott, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.  
Alderman Elliott led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Parson Bob of the First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Mount Carroll gave the invocation.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve MINUTES  
the minutes of the June 12, 2018 regular meeting and public hearing as presented. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Powers, Wiltshire and Kaczmariski, absent.  
Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 3 absent. The motion was carried.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Grim 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: Mayor Bates, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire, and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 3 absent. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT  
totaling \$796,865.21 as of today.

Alderman Grim reported of the June 26<sup>th</sup> water & sewer committee COMMITTEES  
meeting: WATER & SEWER

1. Discussed the current projects:
  - A. Heard that the water meter replacement project was going well. A total of 565 meters have been updated or replaced to date.
  - B. Superintendent Zink reported that the department would be reviewing and prioritizing the fire hydrants that need repair and replacing. He stated there were a few more hydrants found to be out of service during the flushing this spring.
  - C. The engineers are completing some of the final stages of the treatment plant facility design.
  - D. Noted there have been several water leaks recently.
  - E. Superintendent Zink reported that the manufacturer of the water pressure relief valves has made contact and would be working with the City staff to set up a maintenance plan.
  - F. Noted that Jon Armstrong was scheduled to take a wastewater certification test on July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Alderman Risko reported of the June 26<sup>th</sup> finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. In discussion the finance committee members in attendance CITY CODE BOOK  
asked the clerk to contact Sterling Codifiers for a quote to consider an update of the city code book and possible online publishing to be linked to the City's website.
3. Alderman Risko presented the finance committee recommendation WATER MAIN REPAIR  
to approve the purchase of the materials needed at the cost of \$12,874.00 and have the City crew install the water main located in the Galena Street Bridge project area. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, yes, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 3 absent. The motion was carried.

4. Alderman Risko presented the finance committee recommendation to approve the expenses to send City Treasurer Cindi Wiersema to a payroll workshop in rockford, IL on July 10<sup>th</sup> at a total cost for registration and travel not to exceed \$250.00. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, yes, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 3 absent. The motion was carried.

## OLD BUSINESS

City Attorney Ronald Coplan was in attendance and reported he had been in contact with two of the property owners of the Bushy Flats property. One had signed over to the City their ownership, the one other had stated she was interested in paying her portion of the expenses back to the City, and he was waiting to hear from the other property owners. He stated he would report back after he had been in contact with all of the property owners or representatives.

## BUSHY FLATS

Mayor Bates reported that Ms. Sharon Pepin, CFPS had provided updated information 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 to consider a 25-year loan term. She provided information comparing the payback estimates for the 20-year, 25-year and 30-year terms. The City council members in attendance voiced their approval to settle on the 25-year term. The Clerk was directed to contact Ms. Pepin with that decision.

## IEPA LOAN DISBURSEMENT

Clerk Cuckler reported that the IEPA loan disbursement in the amount of \$141,968.00 had been received into City Hall.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to pass PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE Ordinance No. 2018-6-2, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MOUNT CARROLL, CARROLL COUNTY, ILLINOIS, ASCERTAINING THE PREVAILING RATE OF WAGES FOR LABORERS, MECHANICS AND OTHER WORKERS EMPLOYED ON PUBLIC WORKS OF SAID CITY. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, yes, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 3 absent. Ordinance No. 2018-6-2 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote of the council members present.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Grim seconded to accept the resignation of Mr. Marty Rapp from the City Planning Commission effective immediately. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, yes, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes, and 3 absent. The motion was carried.

## RESIGNATION

The council members presented discussed a proposed re-zoning for an area where the City originally set up an Industrial Zoning district at the time of the approval of the TIF District. City Attorney Ronald Coplan was in attendance and stated when reviewing this area for a proposed retail development the City could initiate that re-zoning process. It seems that the development occurring north of the railroad tracks to Illinois Route 64 to date has been more business oriented rather than industrial with the flower shop, the bank, and clothing store. The council members present voiced their approval to start that process to schedule a future public hearing to consider the re-zoning of all of the property bounded by Illinois State Route 78 on the west; Illinois State Route 64 on the north; East Street on the east; and the railroad on the south; all within the corporate limits of the City of Mount Carroll. This hearing would be scheduled with a regular council meeting.

Under general audience, Ms. Maria Krull reported of the community GENERAL AUDIENCE pool party sponsored by the Mount Carroll Lions Club on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at the City pool. Mayor Bates reported there were over 100 vehicles at the Car Cruise night on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Alderman Risko reported of the community relations meeting at the Thomson Prison and some of the summer events at the library. Clerk Cuckler reported of a recent city hall roof repair.

Mayor Bates reported of the following correspondence:

1. Information from Moring Disposal, Inc. that 38,100 lbs of recycling was picked up during the month of May 2018.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to adjourn ADJOURNMENT the meeting. Roll call vote: Mayor Bates, yes, Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, Wiltshire and Powers, absent. Vote: 4 yeses, 0 noes and 3 absent. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the July 10, 2018 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler  
City Clerk & Collector