

MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 27, 2018 REGULAR MEETING OF THE MOUNT CARROLL CITY COUNCIL

Ms. Anna Gray 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, present, ROLL CALL  
Eric Wiltshire, present, Kevin Powers, present, Jeff Elliott, present, Mike Risko, present, and Joe Grim, present.  
Alderman Powers led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Mr. Bill Zink gave the invocation.

Alderman Powers moved and Alderman Elliott seconded to approve MINUTES  
the minutes of the November 13, 2018 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen  
Kaczmariski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0  
noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Kaczmariski moved and Alderman Wiltshire seconded to ACCOUNTS PAYABLE  
authorize the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of November 2018 as approved by  
the finance committee. Roll call vote: Aldermen Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes,  
Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT  
totaling \$709,036.68 as of today.

Alderman Grim reported of the November 27<sup>th</sup> water & sewer committee WATER & SEWER  
meeting:

1. Three new fire hydrants have been replaced so far and would be scheduling more replacements as weather permits this season.
2. Superintendent Zink reported that the recirculating pump at the treatment plant was getting refurbished. This should work until the new construction has been completed.
3. Working with the engineers on the design of the water and sewer extension on East Benton Street. Mayor Bates reported of the funding options for the project.
4. Discussed the consideration to establish a policy for the inspection and maintenance of private fire hydrants in town. There are about five. Superintendent Zink stated he would check with some other communities to see what they might have on this matter.
5. Superintendent Zink stated he would like to investigate the costs to do a smoke testing of the sewer lines in the area of the sewer lift station located at the intersection of College and Center Streets. No objections were voiced from the committee.
6. Superintendent Zink reported that they would be digging up a sewer line located on Clay Street that has been a chronic problem this last year.
7. Superintendent Zink reported that Nicor Gas Company would be sending some technicians to town this week to look at the City's water tower for the future installation of an antenna.
8. Superintendent Zink reported he had a contact from the Village of Hanover checking on what the City was planning to do with the old water meters that were removed from the households this last summer. They were going to look at the ones we have to consider a purchase. If they would not work for them the crew would be prepping them for scrap.
9. Steve Haring, MSA Professional Services, Inc. was in attendance CURRENT PROJECTS  
and addressed the council with a status report of the current projects. Alderman Grim presented the water and sewer committee recommendation to approve the \$750.00 permit fee

to be submitted with the stormwater prevention plan to the IEPA for the new wastewater treatment plant project and authorize the mayor to sign the permit application documents. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, and Wiltshire, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Kaczmarski reported of the November 27<sup>th</sup> finance committee meeting: FINANCE

1. The bills were reviewed and approved.
2. Alderman Kaczmarski presented the finance committee recommendation BONUSES to approve the annual employee bonuses and to take to payment out of the general fund for all of the employees. Roll call vote: Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.
3. Alderman Elliott reported that the City's one-ton truck was very TRUCK DAMAGE severely damaged in the latest snow event while plowing. No one was injured and there was no other property damage. The insurance adjuster was scheduled to come out on November 28<sup>th</sup> to look at the vehicle that was taken to Eastland Fabrication in Lanark, IL. Alderman Kaczmarski presented the finance committee recommendation to call a special meeting of the council for November 30, 2018 in city hall at 9:00 a.m. with the agenda item to review the options for the truck once it has been assessed by the insurance carrier. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, and Elliott, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Under old business Mayor Bates reported that he had heard that the OLD BUSINESS interested developer regarding the Campbell Center property was still working with the board to finalize a closing. He hoped there would be more to report at the next meeting.

Regarding the Stone House Mr. Len Anderson reported that there were STONE HOUSE some more monetary donations to the project and he presented a check for \$75.00 this evening. He stated he wished to thank the local Mirror Democrat newspaper for all of its recent publicity. It has helped a lot with the marketing and the work completed so far has made a noticeable difference.

Alderman Kaczmarski moved and Alderman Elliott seconded to pass RESOLUTION NO. Resolution No. R11-2018-4, A Resolution of the City of Mount Carroll, R11-2018-4 Carroll County, Illinois, Authorizing An Infrastructure Project. Mayor Bates noted this was a funding option to use TIF funds in the future to help with the costs of the water & sewer extension on East Benton Street. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Resolution No. R11-2018-4 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Kaczmarski seconded to cancel MEETING CHANGE the December 25, 2018 regular council meeting and authorize the mayor and clerk to pay the accounts payable bills that would need to be done between the meeting dates. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmarski, yes, Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Under correspondence Mayor Bates reported of the Moring Disposal, Inc. report noting the pick up of 24,120 pounds of recyclable materials for the month of October 2018.

Under general audience Alderman Risko commended the city crew for a good job cleaning the streets and roadways after this latest snow storm. GENERAL AUDIENCE

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Wiltshire seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Wiltshire, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmarski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the December 11, 2018 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler  
City Clerk & Collector