

MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 19, 2019 RE-SCHEDULED 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 Bates called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. CALL TO ORDER
Roll call: Mayor Carl Bates, present, Aldermen Paul Kaczmariski, ROLL CALL
present, Doug Bergren, present, Kevin Powers, present, Jeff Elliott, present, Mike Risko, present, and
Joe Grim, absent.
Alderman Powers led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Mr. Jeff Davis gave the invocation.

Ms. Kathleen Field Orr, TIF consulting attorney, and Dan Pepin, TIF 2020 REVISIONS
CFPS, Inc. were in attendance to address the proposed 2020 Tax Increment Finance (TIF) District
Revisions. The council first discussed the proposal to set aside a portion of this year's TIF expenses to
go towards the purchase of a new squad car next year. Ms. Orr stated her understanding of capital cost
expenses were to be a part of or as a result of a redevelopment project. Would there be a mandate for an
additional squad car due to a specified project. Mayor Bates stated that the proposed disbursement
towards the squad car would be taken off of this year's disbursement listing.
Alderman Joe Grim came into the council chambers at 5:05 p.m.
Ms. Orr and Mr. Pepin provided a proposed map for the possible TIF changes to apply for an extension
of the district to the north of the Shimer Square future development and then an area in the southeast
portion of town with the Shimer Square area. She noted that those boundaries were still being reviewed
and that a final report was not completed yet. The current TIF is still in the red due to the infrastructure
project. She noted that at the beginning of the TIF District approval there were a few bad years, but there
has been some assessment growth over the last few years and with the Shimer Square development the
City needs to review the options to add time to the district. Noting that all of the taxing districts within
the district boundary area for the extension would need to approve of the proposal. Discussed some of
the possible issues to be considered with the school district when there could be new housing
developments within the Shimer Square redevelopment. Ms. Orr and Mr. Pepin stated that more
information would be forthcoming at future meetings.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve the MINUTES
minutes of the December 19, 2019 re-scheduled regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen
Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, Powers, present, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes. Vote: 5 yeses, 1
present and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Rislo seconded to ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
authorize the payment of the accounts payable to date for the month of December 2019 as presented by
the finance chair. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes,
Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Mayor Bates reported that the bank account balances were FINANCIAL REPORT
totaling \$718,895.79 as of today. COMMITTEES
The agenda items for the water and sewer committee meeting were WATER & SEWER
conducted during this meeting.

Mr. Scott Piehn, engineer with Computer Dynamics that provides the JCWIFI INTERNET
JCWIFI internet services, was in attendance to request to install a fiber optic line hook up to the
equipment on the City's water tower. He provided information about the route the underground cable
would be placed from South East Street across the school property to the City's water tower. The school

district has granted permission for the installation of the fiber line on their property. JCWIFI would pay for all of the costs associated with the installation and maintenance of the fiber-optic line. This is to enhance the services they now provide to their customers in this area. Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Grim seconded to approve the installation of the fiber-optic cable line hook up to the equipment on the City's water tower as presented. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried. Mr. Piehn reported that the contractor company for the project was Aero.

Water & Sewer Superintendent Bill Zink reported under current projects that he had purchased new tires for the pick up truck at the cost of \$375.00, and he encouraged the council members to visit the construction site of the new sewer plant.

After discussion of the proposed water looping improvements project WATER IMPROVEMENTS for North Galena Street, Spring Avenue and State Street Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Elliott seconded to approve the design engineering and permit process in order to make application for a grant funding to help with the project. Roll call vote: Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to approve OLD BUSINESS the agreement for professional services with CFPS, Inc. for the RLF/CDBG Downtown Sidewalk Grant Write at the cost of \$7,500.00 and authorize the mayor to sign the agreement document. Roll call vote: Aldermen Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, Powers, yes, and Elliott, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. The motion was carried.

The discussion of the placement of the USA flag on the City's lamp posts in the downtown was postponed until a representative from the American Legion would be available to attend a meeting. The council members present voiced their approval to schedule a special DAVIS TRUST meeting for January 23, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. in city hall to set the agenda item as the Davis Trust Council Work Session.

Alderman Risko moved and Alderman Kaczmariski seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. 2019-12-9 Ordinance No. 2019-12-9, ANNUAL TAX LEVY ORDINANCE. Roll call vote: Aldermen Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, and Risko, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2019-12-9 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Risko seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. 2019-12-10 Ordinance No. 2019-12-10, AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO ADULT-USE CANNABIS. Roll call vote: Aldermen Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, and Grim, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2019-12-10 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Kaczmariski moved and Alderman Risko seconded to pass ORDINANCE NO. 2019-12-11 Ordinance No. 2019-12-11, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MT. CARROLL BY IMPOSING A MUNICIPAL CANNABIS RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX. Roll call vote: Aldermen Bergren, yes, Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, and Kaczmariski, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Ordinance No. 2019-12-11 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Alderman Elliott moved and Alderman Grim seconded to pass RESOLUTION NO. R12-2019-3 Resolution No. R12-2019-3, Resolution for Maintenance Under the Illinois Highway Code. Roll call vote: Aldermen Powers, yes, Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, and Bergren, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Resolution No. R12-2019-3 was adopted by unanimous roll call vote.

Under general audience Alderman Risko reported of attending the December 17th Thomson Prison community relations meeting.

GENERAL AUDIENCE

Alderman Grim moved and Alderman Risko seconded to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Aldermen Elliott, yes, Risko, yes, Grim, yes, Kaczmariski, yes, Bergren, yes, and Powers, yes. Vote: 6 yeses and 0 noes. Mayor Bates adjourned the meeting at 5:53 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Mount Carroll City Council approved these minutes at the January 14, 2020 regular meeting.

Julie A. Cuckler
City Clerk & Collector