

**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF APRIL 28, 2008.**

The minutes of the regularly scheduled Monticello City Council Meeting of April 28, 2008 held in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building in Monticello, Piatt County, Illinois.

Meeting convened at 7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Mitze  
Clerk Fruendt

Alderman:

Vanderkloot    Attorney Tracy  
McHale  
Hayes  
Corrie  
Kuetemeyer  
Hiller  
Allman  
Brown  
King

Student Advisor:

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mayor Mitze led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Alderman Hiller seconded by Alderman Hayes to approve the Claims Report of April 28, 2008, the Treasurer's Report of March 31, 2008, the Investment Report of March 31, 2008, the Budget Report Statement of Income and Expenses and the Fire and Police Commission Meeting Minutes for April 26, 2008.  
Motion Carried

The Mayor stated there was a young lady in the audience tonight who wanted to explain about a building being dedicated to her brother. The name of the young lady is Marilyn Barnett. She stated that a barracks was going to be named for her brother Robert Burke and another soldier. The dedication was going to take place in May and she was going to attend. The Mayor wanted to remind the council of the CIMOA meeting in St. Joseph May 15<sup>th</sup>. Since gas prices are going through the roof, the city would like to help with carpooling. The city could put something on the web site. The city will discuss this at their next study session. House numbering is a concern for emergency vehicles to see and meetings have been taking place to address this concern. Adjustments may need to be made to the ordinance. Citizens have been calling about dogs and cats pooping in their yards. This will be addressed at the next study session.

Student Advisor King announced Prom was last Saturday. It was a success. The softball teams record is 15-5 and in conference they are 8-1. The girls and boys track teams are doing well. Boys Basketball's record is 7-9-1. The seniors have eleven days left with graduation being May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Alderman Allman congratulated Marilyn Burnett.

Alderman McHale saw some flags on the north side of the Pepsin lot. Superintendent Allsop reported it was unrelated.

Alderman Corrie said he was impressed with the barracks named after Marilyn's brother Robert Burke.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Kuetemeyer to go into Executive Session at 7:16 P.M.

The council came out of Executive Session at 8:21 P.M.

Superintendent Floyd Allsop went over each area of the city budget and gave a short synopsis of each area. Once he was done, a motion was by Alderman Corrie, seconded by Alderman Hayes to make an amendment to Resolution 2008-16, A Resolution Approving the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2009 by increasing the salary administration line by \$9,600. 8 nays.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuetemeyer, seconded by Alderman Hayes to make an amendment to Resolution 2008-16, A Resolution Approving the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2009 by increasing the salary administration line by \$7,800 and the public works salary by \$1,800. Motion Carried.

Alderman Hayes announced adult gym will be over in two weeks. The pool will open Memorial weekend. Summer swim team and golf lesson sign up is May 5<sup>th</sup> and swim lessons are May 29<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M. The golf range and landfill are open. Clean-up week begins May 11<sup>th</sup> and ends May 17<sup>th</sup>. The Recreation Department is having a White Sox training camp for 7 to 10 year olds. There are a total of 588 signed up this summer for T-Ball, Peanut League, Boys Little League, and Girls Slow Pitch. Thirty people took advantage of shred day May 25<sup>th</sup>. The summer singers start June 6<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget the blood mobile will be here tomorrow and from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Friday is food pantry pickup day.

Alderman Kuetemeyer wanted to thank several people in Ward IV for their advice and suggestions on the budget.

Alderman Corrie recognized the Chamber for the Expo they did. He wanted to thank them.

A motion was made by Alderman Corrie, seconded by Alderman Hayes to approve Resolution 2008-16, A Resolution Approving the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year Ending April 30, 2009 as amended. Motion Carried.

Superintendent of City Services Floyd Allsop stated the transportation improvement project formerly known as the Farm Truck Route was told the Senate passed a correction

bill. Regarding the bike path, eventually the 20' easement will be staked out on this side of the river and will do the other side later. Then we will have to secure the bridge and trestle. Floyd has been working with Jerry Gaskill to generate a working budget for the renovation project on the community center. We hope to have that done soon. So far the interior walls, wood floor and electrical wiring have been removed, which means the building is gutted. The first day it rains the public works guys will be removing a portion of the concrete floor to allow new sanitary drain lines to be installed. Floyd met with two people interested in the river cleanup. The city will be working on the following projects: entrance sign, sewer plant, Grandview Subdivision cul-de-sac and drainage on the north end of town. The generator at the sewer plant is not completed due to waiting on some parts. This Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> is May Market and the Kirby Derby. If it rains next Friday there will be a rain date for the food drive.

In the public participation, David Monk spoke about a federal program for green ways and brought a hand out for the council.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Allman to adjourn at 8:54 P.M.

  
**RENEE M. FRUENDT, City Clerk for  
the City of Monticello, Illinois**