

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF JULY 14, 2008.

The minutes of the regularly scheduled Monticello City Council Meeting of July 14, 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: Hiller
McHale
Hayes
Corrie
Kuetemeyer
Brown

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Attorney Tracy
Alderman Vanderkloot
Alderman Allman

Mayor Mitze led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Alderman Hiller seconded by Alderman Brown to approve the City Council minutes of June 23, 2008, the Claims Report of July 14, 2008, the Study Session minutes of July 7, 2008, the Zoning Board of Appeals minutes of June 24, 2008, the Monthly Permit Report for June, 2008, the Budget Report (Statement of Income and Expenses) for May 31, 2008 and the Treasurer and Investment Report for May 31, 2008. Motion Carried.

In the Mayor's comments, he wanted to recognize the local paper for there section on volunteerism. We have a lot of volunteers in our community and we appreciate them.

Alderman McHale asked what the city was going to do about the bleeding streets. Superintendent Allsop said they will be spreading rock in the affected areas and the oil and chip yearly project will be starting soon and they will open bids July 21st. McHale stated in Crestview some of the rock put down for the oil bleeding is off to the side and could something be done about that. Gary Sebens replied saying the city could pick it up.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Kuetemeyer to approve the opening of the Annual Appropriation Ordinance public hearing. Motion Carried. Brad Collins asked how much the city had in reserve. Superintendent Allsop responded saying as of May 31st the city has \$5,059,450.00 as shown in the Ordinance with some of this amount to be used in designated areas. As you can see in the Ordinance the total number for reserves is estimated at \$950,000.00. A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Brown to close the public hearing. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Hiller to approve Ordinance 2008-29, An Ordinance for the Appropriation for the Fiscal Year commencing on May 1, 2008 ending on April 30, 2009 for the City of Monticello. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Hiller to approve Ordinance 2008-30, An Ordinance Amending Paragraph (1)(1) of Section 111.031 of Title XI of the Municipal Code, "An Ordinance Amending the Liquor Regulations of the City". Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Hiller to approve Ordinance 2008-31, An Ordinance Amending Title VII, Chapter 76 of the City of Monticello Municipal Code-Schedule 1: Stop signs and intersections. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hiller, seconded by Alderman McHale to approve Ordinance 2008-32, An Ordinance Granting a Variance at 702 North Charter Street. Motion Carried.

Alderman Hiller suggested since there was only six aldermen in attendance they should table Ordinance 2008-33 and send it back to the Zoning Board of Appeals. With ZBA denying this variance, it would require six votes from the council to override the ZBA. A motion was made by Alderman Hiller, seconded by Alderman Hayes to send Ordinance 2008-33 back to the Zoning Board of Appeals. Motion Carried.

Alderman Corrie announced the Lincoln-Douglas Sesquicentennial would take place July 26th at Bryant Cottage in Bement. Monticello Day is at the State Fair on August 12th. A motor coach will be going from the city building if anyone is interested in going. The cost is \$16.00 a ticket leaving at 10:00 A.M. returning 4:00 P.M. The Little Engine That Could is out at the train station east of town. It was here last weekend and will be here this weekend. The cost is \$15.00 a ticket. A concert will be held on July 19th at Allerton Park.

Alderman Kuetemeyer wanted to thank everyone for his or her interest and discussion on the flood. He would like to encourage everyone to keep discussing it.

Alderman Hayes announced the registration for junior football is Thursday, July 17, 2008 from 6:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. anyone interested grades 5 through grade 8, soccer registration starts Monday, July 21, 2008 from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. anyone interested grades kindergarten to grade 8. As of July 13th the attendance at the aquatic center is 10,280, which makes the average per day 220. The swim teams record so far is 3 wins and 3 losses. The golf range is open daily. The summer singers are practicing and will have three concerts. There will be a public meeting Wednesday, July 16th to discuss the swim pool.


Superintendent Floyd Allsop reported one of the interns had physically inspected the city for house numbers. He made a report and a map. The police also went and did a physical inspection. The city will look at the reports before a letter is sent out to the

homeowners who are not in compliance. The city has agreed to let the waste haulers to come into town an hour earlier in the mornings so they do not tear up the streets as bad due to the hot weather. City workers have been busy in the Lyric Alley. The city should be done with their part tomorrow then the concrete work can start. The Planning Commission will be meeting on July 30th to discuss rezoning and the Zoning Board of Appeals will meet on August 6th. The city is a couple of weeks away from ditch work. Superintendent Allsop announced he had put together a report regarding the flood areas. The report was generated from reports he received from city staff, ESCA-Eric L. Henkel, landowners, and residents. From the report Allsop did a power point presentation. The areas covered were definitions, recommendations, sanitary sewer system and cost estimates. Allsop wanted to stress this report is not a perfect plan nor is it a final plan. A suggestion was made to Superintendent Allsop to bring in someone from FEMA to talk about flood insurance. Ken Peacock, Ken Landreth, Jamie Mumm and Brad Collins asked questions of the proposal.

A motion was made by Alderman Hiller, seconded by Alderman Hayes to go into Executive Session at 9:08 P.M. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Corrie to come out of Executive Session at 9:55 P.M. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Brown to adjourn at 9:56 P.M.



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