

MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 27, 2008.

The minutes of the regularly scheduled Monticello City Council Meeting of October 27, 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
Hayes
Corrie
Kuetemeyer
Allman
Brown
McHale

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Attorney Tracy
Alderman Vanderkloot

Student Advisor: Patrick

Mayor Mitze led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance

A motion was made by Alderman Hiller seconded by Alderman Allman to approve the City Council minutes of October 14, 2008, the Claims Report for October 27, 2008, the Budget Report ending September 30, 2008, the Treasurer and Investment Reports of September 30, 2008 and the Fire and Police Commission meeting minutes for August 28, 2008. Motion Carried.

Mayor Mitze wanted to extend his congratulations to the high school soccer team and good luck for tomorrow's game.

Discussion took place by the council on the IMLRMA Liability & Worker's Compensation Insurance Renewal. The council discussed the two options with one being the min-max program and the other without the option. After the discussion, it was decided by the council to go with the min-max program. Superintendent Allsop stated he would have a Resolution at the next meeting to approve.

A motion was made by Alderman McHale, seconded by Alderman Hiller to approve the 2009 City of Monticello meeting and holiday schedule. Motion Carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Kuetemeyer, seconded by Alderman Corrie to approve Resolution 2008-60, A Resolution Directing the Mayor Enter into a Lease Option with the Monticello Golf Association. 5 years 2 nays

Alderman Hayes announced the Recreation Department for the third year is sponsoring a Trick or Treat activity at Nick's Park. It will be held October 31st, Halloween Night from

5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. The Recreation Department also held a pumpkin coloring contest and the winners are posted in the lobby. Adult gym volleyball has started at Lincoln School. This is being held on Wednesday night and Sunday afternoon with the cost being \$1.00. Starting November 2nd the new landfill hours will be Sunday through Friday noon to 5:00 P.M. and Saturdays 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Alderman Corrie reminded everyone of the Looking for Lincoln dedication at Rotary Centennial Park. The dedication will take place November 4th at 10:00 A.M. The Monticello Chamber of Commerce will be holding two ribbon cutting ceremonies with the first one being at Cakes by the Cup on October 29th at 10:00 A.M. and the other one November 7th at 8:30 A.M. Corrie also reported three out of the eight Lunch with Santa on the Train rides have already sold out. Those interested should contact Monticello Chamber of Commerce or go online to schedule a time or to purchase tickets. Anyone interested in being in the Christmas Parade should contact the chamber. Alderman Corrie also wanted to remind everyone of the next first Friday, November 7th.

Since Ward III won the food challenge, they were to pick out a Halloween Costume for the loosing team which was Ward IV. Alderman McHale from Ward III announced they had decided it would be the Big Bad Wolf and Little Red Riding Hood. These costumes are to be worn by the Alderman in Ward IV at the Halloween Party at Nick's Park.

Student Advisor Patrick announced the soccer team made it to the elite eight and will be playing Rochester in the sectionals. The cross country team has also made it to sectionals. Football is over for this year. Wrestling and basketball will be starting in a week or week and half. The fall play will take place on November 14th and 15th and tomorrow night there will be a choir concert at 7:00 P.M. This week is red ribbon week at the schools for drug awareness.

In the Superintendent's report Allsop said there was a conflict with the city study session for November 3rd. That night happens to be the chamber annual banquet. Because of that Superintendent Allsop wanted to know when to schedule the study session. After some discussion, it was decided to have it on Tuesday, November 4th. Superintendent Allsop reported on the following projects:

- Clean up week is over

- Turtle Point road construction is done. It was excellent

- Big ditch all the pipe is in ground- working on downspouts

- Community Center – preparing it to pour concrete floor

- Haines building – owner decided to demolish building – city received one bid to demolish

- Superintendent Allsop gave a power point presentation on Fiscal Year 2009

- Budget

- Superintendent Allsop also gave a power point presentation on the Monticello Storm and Flood Protection with three categories, water sheds, sanitary sewer system and drainage system

Mayor Mitze asked Superintendent Allsop about the parking lot east of the professional building. Allsop stated it was lack of communication with Verizon. The pole in the parking lot needs to be moved before the city can resurface the lot. The Mayor asked if the city could go ahead and resurface and then move the pole. Allsop said they could but that would leave a hole and the city would have to do a patch which would not look very good with a new parking lot.

There was not public participation.

A motion was made by Alderman Hayes, seconded by Alderman Allman to adjourn at 8:05 P.M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Renée M. Fruendt". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

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