

City Council Minutes
December 13, 2016
Minutes

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Hamm at 6:30 p.m. followed by a request for roll call. Present were Alderpersons Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabec, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Absent: None.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Hamm informed the Council of the use of a recording device and microphones at each Council desk. He further explained that each Alderman is to announce their name when making a motion to assure accuracy in recording minutes. The use of recording devices and purchase of the equipment was approved at the last Council meeting.

It was moved by Alderman Haynes, seconded by Alderman Riskovsky, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 29, 2016. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Vrabec, seconded by Alderman Bridick, to approve the presentation of Claims. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Vrabec, seconded by Alderman Bridick, to approve Claims as presented in the amount of \$281,513.66. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabec, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Vrabec, seconded by Alderman Bridick, to approve the Comptroller's Report as presented. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

There were no appointments by Mayor Hamm.

Members of the Public: We have Norma Scrum to address the Council regarding an issue she was having with her neighbor Joyce Elkins at 2151 Waterman regarding the placement of a wooden fence. Mrs. Scrum alleged that the fence was constructed improperly and not in keeping with City ordinance. Mrs. Scrum alleged that Mrs. Elkins informed her that Broadway allowed her to place the fence in violation of the City Ordinance. Mrs. Elkins was issued a no contact order for harassment and stalking of Mrs. Scrum. Mrs. Scrum stated that if the Council had any questions that they could address her or her Attorney Rich Black. The address 2016 Iowa Street, and the property concerned if 2018 Iowa Street. After hearing Mrs. Scrum's complaint it was decided by the Council to refer the matter to Attorney Papa to review the City ordinance and to discuss his finding with Mrs. Scrum's attorney, Rich Black and report back to the Council. Attorney Black provided Attorney Papa with contact information.

Mr. Turner informed the Council of the newly resurrected Chapter #3021-B of the NAACP and invited members of the Council to attend the next meeting.

Fire Chief Bridick invited the Council to attend their Annual Christmas Party on Saturday, December 17, 2016 at the Polish Hall. Members of the Council are to inform Deputy Clerk Beth Wachtel of the attendance.

There were no reports from Police Chief Burns, Health Inspector Shelby, Building Inspector Broadway and Public Works Director Treadway.

There being no other Department reports, it was moved by Alderman Vrabec, seconded by Alderman Haynes, to accept the reports of Department Officers. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Chief Burns provided a letter to the Council on the total of 147 city citations that were issued by patrol officers during the enforcement period for the violation of "Failure to Display a City Sticker." It was moved by Alderman Bridick, seconded by Alderman Vrabec to have the letter placed on file. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

There were no other committee reports.

There was no Attorney presentation of petitions, resolutions and ordinances; no report by Attorney Papa.

It was moved by Alderman Hampsey, seconded by Alderman Bridick, to approve Resolution #16-40 "Providing for an Additional Tax for Maintenance, Repairs, and Alterations of Library Building and Equipment in the City of Madison, Illinois." Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabec, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Hampsey, seconded by Alderman Vrabec, to suspend Rule 38 of Ordinance 549. Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabec, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Hampsey, seconded by Alderman Bridick, to approve Ordinance #1803 "Making an Assessment, Levy, and Collection of Taxes within the Corporate Limits of the City of Madison, Counties of Madison and St. Clair, State of Illinois, for the Tax Year 2016 and for the Corporate Expenses for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2016 and Ending April 30, 2017." Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabec, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Brick, seconded by Alderman Hampsey, to approve the Mayor to sign the Illinois Department of Revenue Contractual Agreement for "Alcoholic Liquor Enforcement Pilot Program." Roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Jenkins, Bridick, Vrabc, Hampsey, Foley, Riskovsky, Haynes and Gardner. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Hamm reported that the owners of the package liquor store located near the currency exchange on Edwardsville Road had applied for a liquor license for the old Happy Jacks to make a Sports Bar. Mayor Hamm polled the Council for a general consensus. After discussion with the Council, it was moved by Alderman Bridick, seconded by Alderman Vrabc, not to issue the license due to the numerous past violations with their tobacco, single cigarettes and drug sales on the parking lot. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Mayor Hamm informed the Council that the owners of the race track intend to apply for a liquor license in the near future to operate a pizza restaurant, serve alcohol and operate gambling machines.

Mayor informed the Council that the solar panels are nearly finished and will start to producing electricity as early as next week. He also stated that energy sirens will also be supplied by solar energy and that the City will produce enough energy to be able to sell some back to Ameren.

There was no miscellaneous business, reports by Mayor or executive session.

There being no further business, it was moved by Alderman Haynes, seconded by Alderman Gardner, to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Voice vote as follows: eight (8) ayes; no nays. Absent: None. Motion carried.

City Clerk: P. Howard
Mayor: Justin G.
Date: 12/27/2016