

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the Monday, February 8, 2021

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 8th day of February in the year 2021, said meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Du Quoin City Hall.

Invocation:

City Attorney Aaron Atkins gave the invocation and Mayor Alongi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Call to Order:

Mayor Alongi called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following individuals attending: Commissioners Jill Kirkpatrick, Charles Genesisio, Michael Ward, and Bob Karnes. City staff present included City Attorney Aaron Atkins and City Clerk Ruth Hale.

Approval of Minutes:

The Council approved the Open Session Council minutes of the January 25th meeting.

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Approval of Bills to be Paid:

The Council approved payment of the bill list.

Motion: Commissioner Kirkpatrick **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Approval of Appointments:

The Council approved the appointment of Alexis Lily to Full-time Dispatcher

Motion: Commissioner Ward **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

The Council approved the appointment of Jeff Ashauer as Interim Zoning Coordinator for a period of 90 Days

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Ordinances: None

Resolutions:

A. Resolution 2021-R01-03: A Resolution Authorizing the Execution of Lease, 2020 Ford f-150 Pickup Truck (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Genesio **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B. Resolution 2021-R01-04: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin and Burke Tool & Manufacturing, INC (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Kirkpatrick **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

C. Resolution 2021-R01-05: A Resolution Authorizing Business District Redevelopment Agreements Between the City of Du Quoin and Chip Banks Chevrolet Buick, INC., Fenton’s Custom Collision, INC., and Isaac Davison, DDS, LTD (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

D. Resolution 2021-R02-01: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin and CSGS, LLC (Public Display)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

E. Resolution 2021-R02-02: A Resolution Authorizing a Business District Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin and Ewenified Properties, LLC (Public Display)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: Kirkpatrick, Genesio, Ward, Karnes **Nays:** None **Abstain:** Mayor Alongi

F. Resolution 2021-R02-03: A Resolution Awarding a One-time Stipend to Non-Union Employees (Public Display)

Motion: Commissioner Kirkpatrick **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Other Business:

Commissioner Kirkpatrick announced a recycling program being offered to Du Quoin residents through collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce and Revolution Recycling. They offer residential and commercial service in the City and County wide. For more information residents should call Mike at Revolution. There are currently 40 Du Quoin residents that have joined the program as well as the City and the Du Quoin School.

Chuck Novak presented a summary of Tax Revenue data to the Council. The numbers have been higher than predicted and he offered several data points on national trends that explained the revenues performance. The data came from the Illinois Municipal Leagues monthly publication and NPR.

Commissioners' Comments:

Ward – Thanked Commissioner Kirkpatrick for her work on the Recycling Program. Offered prayers for the vaccine to work.

Kirkpatrick – Good luck to the local athletes as they are now allowed to resume some the seasonal sports.

Karnes – Thanked Commissioner Kirkpatrick for her work on the Recycling Program. Said he hoped there is no shortage of salt or cinders for the weather we are experiencing. The EPA outlawed cinders and suggests the use of sand. However, when sand gets in the sewers it causes major issues. The City will continue to search for additional stock of the cinders until it is depleted.

Mayor – Addressed the local athletes and fans. Mentioned that there is an app called the National Federation of High Schools (NFHS), that posts most High School games on the app. You can download to a phone, tablet, Roku, or etc. Most home games are free.

Public Comment:

Mayor Alongi announced that the City Hall phone line (618) 542-2895 was open for public comment at 6:37 p.m.

Jeff Ashauer addressed the council regarding minorities and women in business. He is looking for anyone from that group that is interested in starting a business in Du Quoin. He wants to work to find reasonably priced space for their start up. If anyone has a contact or would like more information, please contact him.

Public comment was closed at 6:42 p.m.

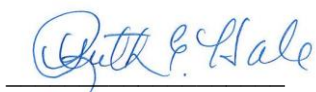
Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:42 pm.

Motion: Commissioner Kirkpatrick **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Hale, City Clerk