

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the January 23, 2017 Meeting

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 23rd day of January in the year 2017, said meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Du Quoin City Hall.

Invocation:

City Attorney Aaron Atkins gave the invocation.

Call to Order:

Mayor Alongi called the meeting to order at 6 pm with the following individuals present: Commissioners Michael Ward, Dale Spencer, Charles Genesio, and Gerald Whitley. City staff included City Attorney Aaron Atkins, City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens, and City Clerk Andrew Croessman.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The Council reviewed the minutes of the meeting held on the 9th day of January. Commissioner Whitley moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed; all ayes.

Treasurer's Report:

Monthly Treasurer's Report for December 2016: City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens said that the opening balance for the General Fund was \$411,969 and the closing balance was \$423,415. Total General Fund income was \$461,262, with expenses of \$438,119. In regards to the Water/Sewer Fund, she said that the opening balance was \$299,381, and the closing balance was \$308,325. Water/Sewer Fund income was \$226,582, with expenses of \$200,200. She said that total cash for all the City's funds increased from \$1.71 million to \$1.72 million, resulting in a net income of \$5,214 for December. Lastly, she said that at the end of fiscal year 2016, the General Fund had a balance of \$423,415 versus \$420,414 in 2015, the Water/Sewer Fund had a balance of \$308,325 versus \$229,151 in 2015, and total cash for all the City's funds decreased from \$1.77 million to \$1.72 million, or \$53,934 year over year. Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Genesio seconded a motion to approve the Monthly Treasurer's Report for December 2016. Motion passed; all ayes.

Approval of Bills:

Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Whitley seconded a motion to approve the bill list for January 23, 2017. Motion passed; all ayes.

Proclamations:

None.

Ordinances:

A. 2017-O01-01: An Ordinance Pursuant to Section 1-2-43 (B) of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin Waiving the Necessity of Bidding for Engineering Services to Rehabilitate Grant Way Lift Station. Commissioner Whitley moved, Commissioner Spencer seconded a motion that 2017-O01-01 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

B. 2017-O01-02: An Ordinance Approving Contract Providing for Engineering Services to Rehabilitate Grant Way Lift Station. Commissioner Whitley moved, Commissioner Genesio seconded a motion that 2017-O01-02 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

C. 2017-O01-03: An Ordinance Approving Contract Providing for Purchase of Accounting Software. Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2017-O01-03 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

D. 2017-O01-05: An Ordinance Creating Section 25-4-1 and Repealing Section 29-3-12 of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin (Relating to Abandoned, Inoperable, and Unregistered Vehicles). Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Whitley seconded a motion that 2017-O01-05 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

E. 2017-O01-06: An Ordinance Authorizing the Entry into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Du Quoin and the Perry County Emergency Telephone System Board (PCETSB) for Remainder of 2017. Commissioner Genesio moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2017-O01-06 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

Resolutions:

A. 2017-R01-01: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and MPP of Illinois LLC. Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2017-R01-01 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

B. 2017-R01-03: A Resolution Authorizing Sale of Surplus Real Estate at 211 West Park Street to Mr. Scott Ford at 80 Percent of Appraised Value Plus All Related Costs. Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Whitley seconded a motion that 2017-R01-03 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

C. 2017-R01-04: A Resolution Authorizing City Health Officer and Clerk to Request Proposals for Grass Cutting Services. Commissioner Spencer moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2017-R01-04 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

D. 2017-R01-05: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and Mr. John Gibson and Mr. Ryan Lively. City Economic Developer Jeff Ashauer said that this Agreement redevelops property at 10 South Mulberry Street. The redevelopment will include wall stabilization, roofing, and electrical improvements. Commissioner Genesio moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2017-R01-05 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

Public Agenda:

None.

Other Business:

Mayor Alongi mentioned that the Du Quoin Tourism Commission and Historic Preservation Committee received their own 501 (c)(3) status. He said that this rids the City of any potential liability, but will still remain as subsidiaries of the City.

Commissioners' Comments:

The Council extended their prayers to John Croessman, who was recovering after a stroke.

Commissioner Spencer said that he was seeking donations to replace the Downtown overhead Christmas decorations.

Mayor Alongi wished Marion Mayor Bob Butler a happy 90th Birthday. Second, he said that during April the lights Downtown will be blue for Autism Month. Lastly, he said that the plans for the City Pool steps were approved and should be installed in the next couple of months.

Executive Session:

None.

Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:40 p.m., motion by Commissioner Spencer, seconded by Commissioner Whitley; all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Croessman, City Clerk