

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin

Minutes of the April 23, 2018 Meeting

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 23rd day of April in the year 2018, 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 p.m. with the following individuals present: Commissioners Michael Ward, Jill Kirkpatrick, and Charles Genesisio. City staff included City Attorney Aaron Atkins, City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens, and City Clerk Andrew Croessman.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The Council reviewed the April 9th regular meeting minutes. Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Genesisio seconded a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes. Motion passed; all ayes.

Approval of Bills:

Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion to approve the bill list for April 23, 2018. Motion passed; all ayes.

Appointments:

Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Genesisio seconded a motion to hire Kelly Tripp as a part-time dispatcher. Motion passed; all ayes.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion to reappoint Dan Eaves, Chuck Smith, Brice Harsy, Tyson Tanner, and Chuck Novak to the Budget and Finance Committee. Motion passed; all ayes.

Ordinances:

A. 2018-O04-01: An Ordinance Authorizing Entering into an Inter-Governmental Grant Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded a motion that 2018-O04-01 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

B. 2018-O04-02: An Ordinance Waiving Bidding Pursuant to Section 1-2-43 (B) of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin. Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Genesisio seconded a motion that 2018-O04-02 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

C. 2018-O04-03: An Ordinance Authorizing Expenditures for Police Car Mobile Data Centers (MDCs). Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded a motion that 2018-O04-03 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

D. 2018-004-04: An Ordinance Amending the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin to Establish Standards for Extended Stay Hotel Facilities. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Genesisio seconded a motion that 2018-004-04 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

E. 2018-004-05: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 7 of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin Pertaining to the Business Code. Mayor Alongi said that this Ordinance adds a one-time \$100 business licensing fee, rather than an annual \$25 fee that had not been enforced for years. It also adds that a nonseasonal business can have its license suspended or revoked if it is closed for longer than 90 consecutive days. Commissioner Kirkpatrick requested that language be added that a business can have its license suspended or revoked if it is a "public nuisance". City Attorney Aaron Atkins read that a "public nuisance" shall mean any conduct of individuals or condition of property that injures or endangers the health, safety, and welfare of the surrounding community or that obstructs the reasonable use of other property. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2018-004-05 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

Resolutions:

A. 2018-R04-01: A Resolution Authorizing a Business District Redevelopment Agreement and Option to Purchase Real Estate Between the City of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and Porter's Storage & R.V. Rentals, LLC. City Economic Developer Jeff Ashauer said that this Agreement would redevelop the old Ford dealership on Route 51 into a used car and recreational vehicle dealership. The City would reimburse Chase Porter \$70,000 once receipts are provided. Mr. Ashauer said that the Agreement also contains an option for the City to purchase the property if Mr. Porter were to default. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2018-004-05 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

Commissioners' Comments:

Commissioner Genesisio thanked the Du Quoin High School students for their help in cleaning up the town.

Commissioner Kirkpatrick congratulated the Du Quoin High School play cast on their performance.

Mayor Alongi asked the public to keep Danny Sizemore and his family in their thoughts and prayers after the loss of his wife.

Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:22 p.m., motion by Commissioner Genesisio, seconded by Commissioner Kirkpatrick; all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Croessman, City Clerk