

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the September 9, 2019 Meeting

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 9th day of September in the year 2019, 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 Jill Kirkpatrick and Michael Ward. City staff included City Attorney Aaron Atkins, City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens, and Deputy City Clerk Shannon Jones.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The Council reviewed the open session Council minutes of the August 26th meeting. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion to approve the minutes. Motion passed; all ayes.

Approval of Bills:

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

Ordinances:

A. 2019-O08-03: An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Enter into an Agreement with Falling Skies Pyrotechnics to Provide Firework Displays. Mayor Alongi said that this is a two year agreement to provide fireworks on July 2nd of each year. He said the cost is \$9,000 per year which will be shared equally between the City and the Du Quoin Tourism Commission. Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded a motion that 2019-O08-03 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

B. 2019-O08-04: An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Enter into a License Agreement with the American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP). Mayor Alongi said that this agreement provides for copyrighted music to be played on public property at a cost of \$357 per year. Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded a motion that 2019-O08-04 be approved. Motion passed; all ayes.

C. 2019-O09-01: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 11-1-8, Hiring, of the City Code of the City of Du Quoin. Commissioner Kirkpatrick moved, Commissioner Ward seconded a motion that 2019-O09-01 be put on public display with the following changes.

Include a more definitive description of the City's affirmative action statement in 11-1-8 (A), said statement to read: "select employees without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or status as a Vietnam era or special veteran", and to delete section 11-1-8 (B)(8), and renumber 11-1-8 (B)(9) to 11-1-8 (B)(8).

Motion passed; all ayes.

D. 2019-O09-02: An Ordinance Amending Division XII Stormwater Control Code of the City Code of the City of Du Quoin. Commissioner Ward moved, Commissioner Kirkpatrick seconded a motion that 2019-O09-02 be put on public display. Motion passed; all ayes.

Resolutions:

None.

Commissioners' Comments:

Mayor Alongi said that the Route 51 Overpass would be closed for repairs for a month starting on September 9th. As such, he said that the High School Homecoming Parade would be rerouted down East Park Street. Lastly, he said that the Halloween Parade would be on October 24th, Trunk or Treat would be on October 30th, and Trick or Treat would be on October 30th and 31st.

Public Comment:

Mr. Pete Spitler said that the Civil War reenactment would be returning to Pyramid State Park on May 1-3, 2020.

Executive Session:

None.

Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:21 p.m., motion by Commissioner Kirkpatrick, seconded by Commissioner Ward; all ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew Croessman, City Clerk