

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the January 27, 2020 Meeting

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 27th day of January in the year 2020, 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, Michael Ward, and Robert Karnes. City staff included City Attorney Aaron Atkins, City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens, and City Clerk Andrew Croessman.

Previous Meeting Minutes:

The Council approved the open session Council minutes of the January 13th meeting.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Approval of Bills:

The Council approved payment of the bill list.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Proclamations:

City Attorney Aaron Atkins read a proclamation in recognition of the Girl Scouts of Southern Illinois that proclaimed that the week of March 8, 2020 be Girl Scouts week. The Council approved the Proclamation.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Appointments:

The Council promoted Patrol Officer Philip Schimanski to the rank of Police Sergeant.

Motion: Commissioner Ward **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

City Attorney Aaron Atkins administered the oath of office to Police Sergeant Philip Schimanski.

The Council accepted the resignation of City Clerk/Budget and Finance Director Andrew Croessman effective February 19, 2020.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

The Council appointed Ruth Hale as the Budget and Finance Director Designate effective January 30, 2020 and City Clerk Designate effective February 10, 2020.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

The Council appointed Howard Baxter as the Assistant Police Chief effective February 13, 2020.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Ordinances:

A. 2020-O01-01: An Ordinance Establishing a City Lateral Transfer Policy for Fire and Police Personnel. The Council approved for public display.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Resolutions:

A. 2020-R01-02: A Resolution Authorizing a Loan to the Du Quoin Community Development Corporation (DCDC) in Furtherance of a Project Benefitting Slainte Real Estate, LLC. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B. 2020-R01-03: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Du Quoin and Slainte Real Estate, LLC on Behalf of the Redevelopment at 300 Bakery Boulevard. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

C. 2020-R01-04: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Du Quoin and Slainte Real Estate, LLC on Behalf of the Redevelopment at 300 Bakery Boulevard. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

D. 2020-R01-08: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Legal Counsel to Enter into an Employment Contract with City Clerk/Budget and Finance Director Ruth Hale. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

E. 2020-R01-09: A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor and Legal Counsel to Enter into an Employment Contract with Assistant Police Chief Howard Baxter. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

F. 2020-R01-10: A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Roadblock Permit to the Perry County Shrine Club. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

G. 2020-R01-11: A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Roadblock Permit to the Du Quoin American Legion. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

H. 2020-R01-12: A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of a Roadblock Permit to the VFW Post 513. The Council gave final approval.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Other Business:

Mayor Alongi said that the Council needs to have a conversation about whether or not marijuana dispensaries will be allowed to operate in City limits. He said that if dispensaries will be allowed, the City needs to pass ordinances and zoning guidelines before development and operation can occur. The Council agreed to discuss the issue on March 23, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. during the public comment section of the Council meeting.

Commissioners' Comments:

The Council congratulated Ruth Hale and Howard Baxter on their appointments, and Philip Schimanski on his promotion.

Public Comment:

Du Quoin Weekly Managing Editor Pete Spitler said that the Civil War Reenactment is coming back to Pyramid State Park this year from May 1st through 3rd. He said that they are anticipating 1,000 reenactors relative to 400 last year.

Executive Session:

None.

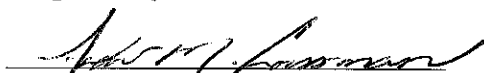
Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Respectfully submitted,


Andrew Croessman, City Clerk