

**The City Council of the City of Du Quoin**  
**Minutes of the Monday, June 22, 2020**

**Minutes:**

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of June in the year 2020, said meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Du Quoin City Hall.

**Invocation:**

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 via WebEx teleconferencing meeting the threshold for a quorum: Commissioners Jill Kirkpatrick, Bob Karnes, and Michael Ward, and City Treasurer Stephanie Cravens. City staff present included City Attorney Aaron Atkins and City Clerk Ruth Hale. Commissioner Chuck Genesio joined the meeting after the roll call.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The Council approved the open session Council minutes of the June 8<sup>th</sup> 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:** 4                      **Abstain:** 1 - Genesio                      **Nays:** None

**Appointments:**

**Ordinances:**

A. 2020-O06-01: An Ordinance Establishing a Sick Leave Bank/Share Program Policy for Employees of the City of Du Quoin (Final Approval)

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

B. 2020-O06-02: An Ordinance Amending Chapters 26-2-10 & 26-2-19 of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin (Public Display)

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

**Resolutions:**

A. 2020-R06-01: A Resolution Authorizing a Business District Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and BL & CW, LLC (Final Approval)

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

B. 2020-R06-02: A Resolution Authorizing Application to the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) (Final Approval)

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

**Other Business:**

A. Discussion of Council meeting format in Phase 4 – Mayor Alongi wants to meet as a group in person in Phase 4. City Hall will once again open for business and will follow meeting requirements set forth by Department of Public Health. The Mayor also intends to discuss opening the City Park and Pool after July 1<sup>st</sup>. Hopefully people will remain cautious and follow guidelines set forth by the Health Department. Commissioner Karnes agreed and asked if the commissioners will once again have access to packet pickup from the Police Department. The Mayor indicated they would and assured the council that masks can be worn at the meeting. Commissioner Kirkpatrick agreed as well and expressed her excitement about reopening the City pool.

**Commissioners' Comments:**

Genesio: Expressed thoughts and prayers for previous council member Angie Roach on the loss of her husband Conrad.

Ward: Expressed gratitude to Nick Tate and Route 51 Brewing Company for the event Friday at Croessman Square. He said everyone was well behaved and social distancing. Also, the food was fantastic. It all went well and was something that this community needed. He thanked Steve Ingram and Howard Baxter for working on it. He asked for continued prayers for our community and our nation.

Kirkpatrick: Echoed Commissioner Ward's comments, stated it was a nice event. She also said she looks forward to seeing everyone in July.

Karnes: Reiterated what Commissioner Ward states. Also sent prayers for the Nation and our community. Said this Country always survives. Asked for thoughts and prayers for the Street Department Superintendent Doug Hill as he undergoes surgery tomorrow.

Mayor: Congratulated Commissioner Ward for a great job by the Police Department and Nick Tate and thanked them for working together on Friday's event. He said it was a great event for our community and for our citizens to come together.

**Public Comment:**

Mayor Alongi announced that the City Hall phone line (618) 542-2895 was open for public comment at 6:21 p.m. Public comment was closed at 6:25 p.m.

Renee Trappe asked if City Hall will be open completely and if masks will be required. The Mayor said we will be back to normal and that everyone should follow the health departments suggestions on the use of masks but they would not be required.

**Executive Session:**

None

**Adjournment:**

The City Council adjourned at 6: p.m.

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Hale, City Clerk