

**The City Council of the City of Du Quoin**  
**Minutes of the Monday, September 14, 2020**

**Minutes:**

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year 2020, said meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Du Quoin City Hall.

**Invocation:**

Reverend Jim Endsley of First Baptist Church 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: Commissioners Jill Kirkpatrick, Charles Genesio, Michael Ward, and Bob Karnes. City staff present included City Attorney Aaron Atkins and City Clerk Ruth Hale.

**Approval of Minutes:**

The Council approved the open session Council minutes of the August 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

**Treasurer's Report:**

N/A

**Approval of Bills to be Paid:**

The Council approved payment of the bill list.

**Motion:** Commissioner Genesio                      **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

**Proclamations:**

A. Proclamation to Recognize Constitution Week September 17 – 23, 2020, Sponsored by the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution.

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

**Ayes:** All    **Nays:** None

**Ordinances:**

A. 2020-O08-04: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Real Estate (Final Approval)

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

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

B. 2020-O09-01: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (Final Approval)

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

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

C. 2020-O09-02: An Ordinance Approving a Real Estate Sales Contract (Public Display)

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

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

D. 2020-O09-03: An Ordinance Amending Section 7-3-1 through 7-3-2 of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin (Tabled until further notice) Mayor Alongi appointed Aaron Atkins to lead a commission with Commissioners Mike Ward and Jill Kirkpatrick to Research and Propose an Ordinance to Address Food Trucks.

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

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

E. 2020-O09-04: An Ordinance Authorizing an Addendum to the Labor Contract between the City of Du Quoin and the Illinois Labor Council (Public Display)

**Motion:** Commissioner Genesisio      **Second:** Commissioner Karnes

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

F. 2020-O09-05: An Ordinance Regarding Trespassing on Railroad Premises (Public Display)

**Motion:** Commissioner Ward      **Second:** Commissioner Genesisio

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

G. 2020-O09-06: An Ordinance Amending Section 11-1-8 through 11-1-40 of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin (Public Display)

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

**Ayes:** All      **Nays:** None

**Resolutions:**

A. 2020-R09-01: A Resolution Authorizing Agreement with Economic Development Resources, LLC (Public Display)

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

**Ayes:** All

**Nays:** None

**Other Business:**

**Commissioners' Comments:**

Genesio- Happy Birthday to Jill and Ruth. The Water Department is addressing Sewer Main problems on E. North Street. They have ran cameras and discovered root balls that are in the processing of being removed. The EPA has also completed another inspection of lines and indicated the City is in violation on several issues on long term projects. They are issues from up to 15 years ago and it is now at the critical point of fixing or receiving violations from the EPA.

Ward- Happy Birthday ladies and Happy Anniversary Mayor.

Karnes- Happy Anniversary Mayor and Happy Birthday ladies. The City is sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event October 3, 2020 from 8:00am to 3:00pm at the Middle School. The City is getting the youth from the High School involved with community service to work the event. Everyone is welcome to bring items on the list.

Kirkpatrick- Happy Birthday Ruth, Happy Anniversary Mayor and first lady.

Mayor- Happy Birthday ladies. Tax bills will be mailed Thursday with first installment due December 7. Congratulations and thank you for service to Gerry Whitley. He retired from many years in the reserves over the weekend. An overview of Tax Revenue shortfalls for the year was provided to the commissioners. Noted was that the FOP contract is up for negotiations. Payroll is 87% of the City's expenditures. When revenues are down, there isn't much room to make cuts but the City is addressing the shortfall.

Hale – Happy Birthday Jill. The HHW event information can be located on the City's website and Facebook page.

**Public Comment:**

Mayor Alongi announced the meeting was open for public comment at 6:47 p.m. Public comment was closed at 6:49 p.m.

**Executive Session:**

None

**Adjournment:**

The City Council adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**Motion:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

**Second:** Commissioner Karnes

**Ayes:** All

**Nays:** None

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ruth E. Hale". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R".

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Ruth Hale, City Clerk