

The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the Monday, December 28, 2020

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 28th day of December 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 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 Charles Genesio, Michael Ward, and Bob Karnes. Commissioner Jill Kirkpatrick was absent. 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 December 28th meeting.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Approval of Bills to be Paid:

The Council approved payment of the bill list.

Motion: Commissioner Genesio **Second:** Commissioner Ward

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Ordinances:

A. 2020-O12-01: An Ordinance Levying Taxes for Corporate Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021 (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B. 2020-O12-02: An Ordinance Levying Taxes for Library Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2021 (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

F. 2020-O12-03: An Ordinance Enacting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Genesio
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

G. 2020-O12-04: An Ordinance Authorizing the Renewal of the City’s Insurance Package (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Ward
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Resolutions:

A. Resolution 2020-R12-01: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement with the Du Quoin Community Development Corporation to Establish and Conduct a New Roof Program for Commercial Buildings in Downtown Du Quoin (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Ward
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B. Resolution 2020-R12-02: A Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Du Quoin and Du Quoin Tourism Commission, Inc. for 20 North Chestnut Street (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Genesio
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

C. Resolution 2020-R12-03: A Resolution Authorizing Appropriation for Maintenance Costs of Streets and Highways for Fiscal Year 2021 (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Genesio
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

D. Resolution 2020-R12-04: A Resolution Authorizing the City of Du Quoin to Enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Laborers’ Local 773, Illinois Labor Council (Final Approval)

Motion: Commissioner Karnes **Second:** Commissioner Genesio
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

E. Resolution 2020-R12-05: A Resolution Authorizing Purchase of a Yamaha ~~Gate~~ Rhino 450 (Public Display) Motion passed as amended.

Motion: Commissioner Genesio **Second:** Commissioner Karnes
Ayes: All **Nays:** None

F. Resolution 2020-R12-06: A Resolution Authorizing Installation of Fencing (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

G. Resolution 2020-R12-07: A Resolution Authorizing Installation of Fencing (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

H. Resolution 2020-R12-08: A Resolution Confirming Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2021 (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Other Business:

Commissioners' Comments:

Atkins – Wished everyone a safe and prosperous New Year.

Genesio – Hoped the sick heal up quickly. Extended best wishes and speedy recovery to Ron Darnell.

Ward – Recognized Chiefs and efforts with shop with a cop. Praised Chris Robinson and his wife for their service to the City with the shopping and the numerous hours dedicated to the DQ summer ball program. Thanked Phil Schimanski for his fundraiser. The last 7 years saw a decline in funds but thanks to the PD efforts, the citizens of DQ have gave generously. Thanked all the City department employees for their work. Hoped everyone a blessed prosperous New Year.

Karnes – Expressed pride for all the City departments, and the quality people providing quality work. Wished everyone a prosperous New Year. Hoped we stay safe and hoped we test negative.

Hale – Wished Happy New Year and good riddance to 2020.

Mayor – Thanked departments for their service. Thanked the citizens of Du Quoin. They gave from their hearts this year. The spirit of giving was here in the City of Du Quoin. Explained the decision to suspend the Recycle Program. Due to City budget cuts, it was determined that was an expense that had to be eliminated. Down the road, the City will review feasibility of reinitiating. Asked Aaron Atkins to reach out to David Searby regarding the County's contract with the Landfill and a possible recycle program.

Public Comment:

Mayor Alongi announced that the City Hall phone line (618) 542-2895 was open for public comment at 6:27 p.m. Public comment was closed at 6:31 p.m. without participation.

Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Motion: Commissioner Karnes

Second: Commissioner Genesio

Ayes: All

Nays: None

Respectfully submitted,



Ruth Hale, City Clerk