

**The City Council of the City of Du Quoin
Minutes of the Monday, September 13, 2021 Meeting**

Minutes:

The Minutes of the City Council of the City of Du Quoin, County of Perry, held on this 13th day of September in the year 2021, said meeting held in the Council Chambers of the Du Quoin City Hall.

Invocation:

Jane Pritchett of the Du Quoin Ministerial Alliance 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.

Approval of Minutes:

The Council approved the Open Session Council minutes of the August 23rd meeting.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Approval of Bills to be Paid:

The Council approved payment of the bill list and payroll report.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Proclamations:

City Attorney Aaron Atkins read a proclamation in recognition of Constitution Week.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Appointments:

The Council voted to hire Neil Humphrey as a full-time laborer in the Street Department.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Ordinances:

A. Ordinance 2021-O08-05: An Ordinance Authorizing the City of Du Quoin to Enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B Ordinance 2021-O09-01: An Ordinance Authorizing the Sale of Surplus Personal Property (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

C. Ordinance 2021-O09-02: An Ordinance Modifying the Employment Contract between the City of Du Quoin and the City Clerk Contract (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

D. Ordinance 2021-O09-03: An Ordinance as Amended Approving the Solitude Subdivision Second Addition and Plat Mat see Appendix A (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

E. Ordinance 2021-O09-04: An Ordinance Approving Bidding Pursuant to Section 1-2-43 (B) of the Ordinances of the City of Du Quoin to Purchase a Backhoe Loader (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Resolutions:

A. Resolution 2021-R09-01: Resolution Authorizing a Redevelopment Agreement Between the City of Du Quoin, Perry County Illinois and the Du Quoin Fraternal Order of Eagles Concerning the Redevelopment of 22 West Main Street (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

B. Resolution 2021-R09-02: Resolution Authorizing Entry into an Agreement for Engineering Services with Clarida & Ziegler (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

C. Resolution 2021-R09-03: Resolution Authorizing Closing Certain Streets to Facilitate the Du Quoin High School Homecoming Parade (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

D. Resolution 2021-R09-04: Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Fund-raising Road-Block Permit for the Du Quoin Lions Club (Final Approval)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

E. Resolution 2021-R09-05: Resolution Authorizing a Business District Redevelopment Agreement between the City of Du Quoin and General Cable Industries, Inc. (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

F. Resolution 2021-R09-06: Resolution Authorizing a Contract between the City of Du Quoin and Illinois Codification Services for Updating of the City of Du Quoin Code of Ordinances (Public Display)

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

13.) Other Business:

Aaron Atkins spoke on behalf of Doug Toney. The council was questioned as to whether there was support for an ordinance prohibiting living in a tent or in a vehicle. Genesio asked where the individuals were supposed to go. Atkins indicated there are a number of shelters around southern Illinois with availability. It is not safe or sanitary for people to live in their vehicles or tents. Many of them are improvising for facilities rather than walk to a gas station and that is a problem. Ward then said he would rather wait until Du Quoin has something here for them to use as shelter rather than send them to another community. Kirkpatrick inquired the status of the group that was looking into creating such in Du Quoin. The Mayor said their plan for revamping the old REA Clinic had fell through and he did not know if they had a new plan. Karnes said he knows sanitation is a problem but he also knows that getting into housing is not that easy. He had helped an individual previously and it was not that simple. The Mayor stated he had the most experience with low income housing in his 27 year career at the housing authority. Most homeless want to be homeless. Sometimes there isn't anything that can be done.

Mr. Atkins then brought up the topic of animal abuse and cruelty, also on behalf of Doug Toney. He asked if the council would be interested in passing an ordinance so an individual that had animals taken from them due to cruelty would not be allowed to own more animals. The majority of the council was in support and it was decided that Aaron would draft something for a future council meeting.

Commissioners' Comments:

Genesio: Happy Birthday Jill

Ward: Congratulations to Mr. Humphrey and Happy Birthday to Jill

Kirkpatrick: Thank you

Karnes: Happy Birthday Jill

Hale: Happy Birthday Jill, Congratulations to Neil Humphrey, and please say a prayer for the employees battling Covid

Mayor: Happy Birthday Jill

Public Comment:

The Mayor called for public comment at 6:43 p.m. Public comment was closed at 6:43 p.m.

Executive Session:

The Council voted to enter executive session at 6:44 p.m.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

No action resulted from the executive session and the Council voted to exit at 6:53 p.m.

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

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Adjournment:

The City Council adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Motion: Commissioner Genesisio **Second:** Commissioner Kirkpatrick

Ayes: All **Nays:** None

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Hale

Ruth Hale, City Clerk

Solitude Subdivision Addition
City of Du Quoin Engineering Review

Add a page 2 to the Plat Plan detailing the following.

A. Utility Detail

1. Water—to comply with utility code, Section 39. Install same size water line as already installed, work to be done by licensed plumber. Or, if scheduling in the City Water Department permits, the water line installation could be done by the City. Cost is responsibility of developer.
2. Sewage—comply with Code 39-4-10 through 39-4-17. Sewage systems will be the responsibility of the lot owners. Lot owners will need to obtain an application for a permit from Perry County Health Department, which should be prepared by a licensed plumber.

B. Road Details

1. Need plan and profile of proposed road, Table 5 A attached. Show details of ditches—crossroad culverts, etc.
2. Typical Road Section (no curb and gutter). Table 5 B shows a minimum design of 8" rock with 3" of asphalt or 6" concrete. The existing road is oil and chip: Therefore the City proposes the following: Road width of 24'; subgrade compacted to 95% Standard Proctor Test; 11" compacted CA6 or CA10 to 95% Standard Proctor; A-3 oil and chip surface which requires one prime coat plus three cover seal coats @ 0.25gal/sy HFE 150/RS-2 oil and 25lb/sy CA-16 chips done by Illini Asphalt with last coat to be done the one year after construction.
3. Road work needs to be completed and the road needs to be inspected by the developer's engineering firm with a report to the City. Cost is responsibility of developer.
4. Since the property in the Addition is not contained in the current city limit, a new legal description of the property needs to be furnished to the City Attorney, Aaron A. Atkins. (The Plat Plan contains this information and appears to be correct.)

C. The Covenants need to be added to the Plat Plan.