

# MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 6, 2012

Invocation was given Commissioner Norman Brunson.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor Bill Hudson Commissioners – Dick Shoaff, Rod Rodriguez, and Joe Judge, Norm Brunson

Also Present: Administrative Assistant Rudy Witsman, City Attorney Tom Price and City Inspector Mike Gidcumb.

## MAYORS COMMENTS

Mayor Bill Hudson brought the city council meeting to order.

Mayor Hudson said the new Golf Cart Shed is nearing completion. Mayor Hudson thanked Street Supt. Dave Easter, Commissioner Joe Judge and City Inspector Mike Gidcumb for the electrical work they did at the Golf Cart Shed, and also thanked Tim Woodsmall and Rick Bobbitt for the shelving they installed for the battery chargers for the golf carts.

Mayor Hudson also thanked the Kiwanis for the help at the uptown Amphitheater project.

Mayor Hudson thanked the Rotary for the completion of the installation of windows at the City Pool, and also for the painting they will do at the City Pool Locker Rooms.

Mayor Hudson invited everyone to Hogg Heavens “pickin’ and singin’ event held on Monday evenings where local musicians get together for fellowship and food. This event is bringing residents from the tri-state area to Mt. Carmel.

City Inspector Mike Gidcumb reported that MCPU completed the refacing of the south side of its building last year, introduced architect Tim Raibley and Public Utility Operations Group leader Eric Bramlet to review details of the design of the renovation of the east side of the structure which faces Market Street. Mr. Raibley said the facelift will be a multi-shade grey finished block and the work will meet the already completed new veneers and covers on the building’s south side. The utility frontage will have new signage, awnings and new entrance doors. MCPU hopes that the project will be completed within two months. Mr. Bramlet said the new work on the utility building will help brighten Main Street and return it to its splendor.

## COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

### COMMISSIONER DICK SHOAF – FINANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Cash Investment Balance as of 01/10/12	\$580,063.05
Receipts:	\$ 46,575.34
Expenditures:	111,052.12
Cash Investment Balance 01/09/12:	\$515,586.27
Recreation Fund:	\$ 7,358.99
Receipts:	\$ -0-
Expenditures:	\$ 496.10
Balance:	\$ 6,862.89
Account Payable:	\$ 436.34
Garbage Fund Account Beginning Balance:	\$181,452.96
Receipts:	\$ 13,187.85
Expenditures:	\$ 6,083.23
Balance:	\$188,557.58
Accounts Payable:	\$ 24,645.60
Airport Fund:	\$ (28,524.28)
Receipts:	\$ 175.00
Expenditures:	\$ 3,786.06
Balance:	\$ (31,757.22)
Accounts Payable:	\$ 2,220.07

Water Fund Account Beginning Balance:	\$ 247,959.34
Receipts:	\$ 31,824.07
Expenditures:	\$ 32,349.00
Balance:	\$ 247,434.41
Accounts Payable:	\$ 19,249.77
Sewer Fund Account:	\$ 17,924.97
Receipts:	\$ 18,115.66
Expenditures:	\$ 22,954.07
Balance:	\$ 13,086.56
Accounts Payable:	\$ 14,340.49
Golf Course Fund:	\$ (356,524.28)
Receipts:	\$ -0-
Expenditures:	\$ 14,046.21
Balance:	( 370,570.49)
Accounts Payable:	\$ 4,001.13

Commissioner Shoaff wanted to remind residents that quality lunches are served at the Wabash County Senior Citizens Center, people over 60 can get a lunch for \$3.50 and people under 60 can enjoy lunch for \$5.50. Commissioner Shoaff reported that there are two other services offered through the Senior Citizens which include scheduled visits by a nurse from time to time to check blood pressure or provide other assistance, and an attorney comes in at no charge to citizens for legal counsel, individuals must make an appointment at the center for this consultation.

**COMMISSIONER JOE JUDGE – STREETS, CEMETERIES AND PARKS**

Commissioner Judge reported the street department has been rebuilding the side broom for the street sweeper, repairing and painting tables for the shelter house, replacing faded signs and getting the 4<sup>th</sup> St. softball field ready for the spring season.

Commissioner Judge thanked Street Supt. Dave Easter for his involvement in the 5<sup>th</sup> Street survey project. Commissioner Judge said they received 91% response, with very encouraging and cooperative words for this project from the residents.

**COMMISSIONER ROD RODRIGUEZ – FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY, GARBAGE, CITY HALL AND CIVIL DEFENSE**

Commissioner Rodriguez reported that the Fire Department had 7 runs in the last two weeks which were all medical.

Commissioner Rodriguez reported that Aaron Brown is in Champaign this week for Management Three Classes, and there are 8 Firefighters taking online Advanced Firefighter Classes through Frontier College at Fairfield.

Commissioner Rodriguez presented Fire Chief Allan Kidd with a birthday cake from all local fire departments.

**COMMISSIONER NORMAN BRUNSON – WATER AND SEWER**

Commissioner Brunson reported both his departments are running smoothly. The Sewer Department had to use the flood pump on 5<sup>th</sup> Street on January 25, 2012 due to rising water.

**CITY ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – RUDY WITSMAN**

City Administrator Rudy Witsman proposed Ordinance No. 974 – Authorizing the advertising of 415 Hackberry for sale. It will be advertised for three weeks and sealed bids will be opened on March 5<sup>th</sup> Council meeting at 5 p.m.

City Administrator Rudy Witsman presented the 2012 rates for the Mount Carmel Golf Course, see attached schedule.

City Administrator Rudy Witsman presented Resolution 596, a resolution of support and commitment of Funds for CDAP grant for storm sewer work on East 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

City Administrator Rudy Witsman read a letter he received from John White of the Golf Advisory Committee about the sale of the golf carts. (See attachment)

**CITY ATTORNEY – TOM PRICE**

City Attorney Tom Price said demolitions proceedings were completed for the property at 314 E. 11<sup>th</sup> St.

**CITY INSPECTOR – MIKE GIDCUMB**

City Inspector Mike Gidcumb reported the alley running east and west from Market Street toward Chestnut will be closed during the MCPU building construction period. However, the contractors will leave a foot path for pedestrians. He said two parking stalls in the front of a vacant lot by MCPU would be used for dumpster space during the demolition as well as a few parking stalls in the city lot behind the building.

**BUSINESS MOTIONS**

Commissioner Judge motioned and Commissioner Shoaff seconded to approve Ordinance No. 974 Authorizing sale of 415 Hackberry Street. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Shoaff motioned and Commissioner Rodriguez seconded to approve Golf Course fees for the 2012 season. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Judge motioned and Commissioner Brunson seconded to approve Resolution No. 596 a Resolution of Support and Commitment of Funds for CDAP grant for storm sewer work on East 5<sup>th</sup> Street. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Shoaff motioned and Commissioner Rodriguez seconded to approve the sale of 9 golf carts from the City golf cart fleet to the College District 529 for a total of \$8,550.00. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Brunson motioned and Commissioner Judge seconded to approve to pay all bills bearing the proper signatures. All present voted Aye.

Commissioner Brunson motioned and Commissioner Judge seconded to accept the Minutes from last regular meeting of City Council (1/23/12).

Commissioner Brunson motioned and Commissioner Shoaff seconded to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel. All present voted Aye. Time 5:32 p.m.

Commissioner Brunson motioned and Commissioner Shoaff seconded to end Executive Session to discuss personnel. Time 5:52 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor  
ATTEST:

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City Clerk