

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, January 7, 2002

Invocation was given by Mayor Woodcock.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor George Woodcock and Commissioners Jim Pfeister, Jack Emmons, John Fearheiley and Dick Shoaff.

Also Present: Administrative Assistant Merle Weems, City Attorney Tom Price, Economic Development Manager Bill Maples, Police Chief Jim Seaton, Waste Water Treatment Manager Rob Windes, Street Superintendent David Easter, Water Superintendent Mark Weirich, Mike Neikirk and City Inspector Don Price.

Absent Ken Wood, Bruce Bottom and Louise Taylor.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Woodcock complimented the City Police for making Mt. Carmel a save place to live.

The Mayor introduced the Boy Scouts visiting the City Council Meeting.

Mayor Woodcock called upon the Council for a motion regarding the demolition of two houses on Second Street. Jack Emmons moved that the bids of Jeff Guisewite be accepted. John Fearheiley seconded. All present voted aye.

Mayor Woodcock called upon the Council for a motion regarding a proposed snow route. Jim Pfeister made the motion to approve the snow route and John Fearheiley seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

Mayor Woodcock called for a motion to authorize the signatures for a grant agreement from the State of Illinois in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the water main that is going to run along North Cherry and will also assist in paying for some of the Ninth Street Water Main. Authorization is needed from the Council to have the Mayor sign the grant agreement. Authorization would, also be granted to Merle Weems to enable him to sign any further documentation that might be needed. Jack Emmons so moved and Commissioner Fearheiley seconded the motion. All present voted aye.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

COMMISSIONER JACK EMMONS - FINANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Commissioner Emmons gave the following report.

Regarding Senior Citizens everything is moving along fine. Jo Ann and her crew are doing a great job.

Cash Investment balance as of 1/07/02	99,030.27
Receipts:	182,366.91
Expenses:	125,831.99
Cash Investment Balance:	155,565.19
 Garbage Fund Account beginning Balance:	 26,636.82
Receipts:	11,927.82
Expenses:	8,331.43
Balance:	30,233.21
 Water Fund Account beginning Balance:	 \$ 44,358.32
Receipts:	34,144.63
Expenses:	54,192.13

Balance:	24,310.82
Unpaid:	8,664.17
Sewer Fund Account: \$	18,393.38
Receipts:	18,950.65
Expenses:	24,823.97
Balance:	12,520.06
Unpaid:	6,111.92
Golf Course Fund: \$	(106,698.16)
Receipts:	0.00
Expenses:	7,119.01
Balance:	(113,817.17)

COMMISSIONER PFEISTER - STREETS, CEMETERIES AND PARKS

Commissioner Pfeister gave the following report. (See attached copy)

COMMISSIONER SHOAFF - FIRE, HEALTH & SAFETY, GARBAGE, CITY HALL AND CIVIL DEFENSE

Commissioner Shoaff complimented American Disposal on the good job in 2001.

Commissioner Shoaff reviewed the Fire Departments' year and stated the Fire Department was ready and in good shape for 2002.

COMMISSIONER FEARHEILEY - WATER AND SEWER

Commissioner Fearheiley mentioned the yearly maintenance on the well site had started and should be completed by January 8, 2002.

Commissioner Fearheiley gave the following report. (See attached copy)

ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Chief of Police Jim Seaton gave the following report (See attached copy)

Administrative Assistant Merle Weems reported on the two demolition Bid Lettings. Jeff Guisewite was the only one to submit bids. Mr. Weems mentioned that there were other houses around town that the City is working on to have cleaned up. He, also, mentioned the Rail Road on Oak Street and the plans of the Rail Road to smooth the track once weather permits. At the next Council Meeting, January 21, 2002, Representative Chuck Hartke will be here to address the Council. Merle stated the City will be hosting a small reception directly following the Council Meeting until 7:30 pm. Representative Hartke is our new Representative and will be running again for our District on the South side of Ninth Street and parts of the North Park.

Tom Price, City Attorney, had no report.

Don Price, City Inspector, gave the Annual Building Permit Report (See attached copy). Don Price reported Dwayne Kieffer had requested the City accept the Michael Street Extension at Carriage Plaza as part of the City Street system. The City Engineer, Dave Dallas and Don Price did an inspection of the street. It was the recommendation of the City Engineer that the City accept the Michael Street Extension.

Fire Chief Steve Partee had no report.

Mike Neikirk of the City Engineer's Office reported on the progress of the Bike Path on Oak

Street and on the progress of Empire Street.

Rob Windes, Waste Water Treatment Plant Supervisor had no report.

Street Superintendent David Easter reported that last year the City used 300 tons of salt. The Street Department installed all of the pipe along Highland Cemetery, built the parking lot behind the football field. The Street Department cut sixty-two (62) trees and ground out fifty-four (54) stumps. The City poured 195 yards of concrete for sidewalks. Mr. Easter showed some proposed snow routes in the event of a large snow storm.

Mark Weirich, Water Superintendent, had no report.

Economic Development Director, Bill Maples reported the City has received a grant agreement from the State of Illinois in the amount of \$200,000.00 for the water main that is going to run along North Cherry and will also assist us in paying for some of the Ninth Street Water Main. He stated authorization was needed from the Council to have the Mayor sign the grant agreement. Authorization would, also, be granted to Merle Weems to enable him to sign any further documentation that might be involved in this project during this next year.

BUSINESS MOTIONS

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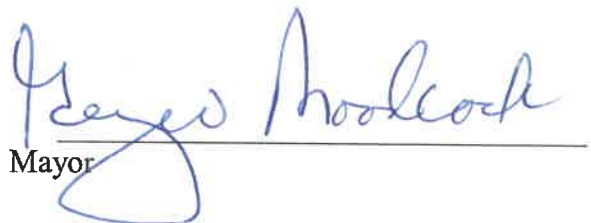
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A motion was made by Commissioner Shoaff and seconded by Commissioner Emmons to pay all bills bearing the proper signatures. All present voted aye.

Commissioner Fearheiley made a motion seconded by Commissioner Pfeister to approve the minutes from the last City Council Meeting dated December 26, 2001. All present vote Aye. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk