

MEETING MINUTES

Monday, February 4, 2002

Invocation was given by Rob Windes.

Present on Roll Call: Mayor George Woodcock, Jack Emmons, James Pfeister, 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, City Engineer Dave Dallas and City Inspector Don Price.

Absent: Ken Wood, Bruce Bottom and Louise Taylor.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Woodcock stated that the Governor of Illinois has asked that communities throughout the State of Illinois appoint representatives to work with state and local governments in volunteer and community services in order to help those in need to create a healthier society. Mayor Woodcock appointed Commissioner John Fearheiley as Chairman of Volunteerism and Community Service.

Mayor Woodcock called upon Commissioner John Fearheiley to introduce a distinguished guest to the Council Members and guests. Commissioner Fearheiley introduced Mr. Roger Eddy who will be running for the State Representative position for the 109th District. Mr. Eddy hails from Crawford County. Mr. Eddy thanked the members for allowing him the opportunity to introduce himself and took a moment to tell the Council about his background, family, education and training. After a brief discussion between Mr. Eddy and local television and radio representatives, Mayor Woodcock moved along to further business.

Mayor Woodcock addressed Resolution No. 483 and stated that the Resolution would recognize that Terry C. Kaid was employed by the City of Mt. Carmel as City Attorney from January of 1981 until November 30, 1992. After a brief discussion the Resolution was approved.

Mayor Woodcock called upon Economic Development Manager Bill Maples to discuss Resolution No. 482. Mr. Maples stated that it would be necessary for the Council Members to approve the amount of \$2,058.00 to be paid for the Greater Wabash Regional Planning Commission for yearly membership dues. After a brief discussion the Resolution was approved.

Mayor Woodcock called upon Commissioner Emmons to give the financial report at this time.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

COMMISSIONER JACK EMMONS - FINANCE AND SENIOR CITIZENS

Commissioner Emmons gave the following report.

The Senior Citizens are getting some redecorating done and it looks very nice.

Cash Investment balance as of 1/21/02	122,281.23
Receipts:	219,465.74
Expenses:	101,577.00
Cash Investment Balance:	240,169.97

Garbage Fund Account beginning Balance:	22,020.85
Receipts:	9,341.09
Expenses:	5,353.82
Balance:	26,008.12

Water Fund Account beginning Balance: \$	18,878.75
Receipts:	35,053.41
Expenses:	35,043.62
Balance:	18,888.54
Unpaid:	13,100.61

Sewer Fund Account: \$	14,079.19
Receipts:	18,634.41
Expenses:	20,251.09
Balance:	12,462.51
Unpaid:	14,252.07

Golf Course Fund:	(114,524.99)
Receipts:	5,025.00
Expenses:	4,938.94
Balance:	(114,438.93)

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 stated the Fire Department answered five (5) fire alarms since the last City Council meeting. Commissioner Shoaff took a moment to thank Mr. Chester Miles with the local Red Cross Agency and the local Ministerial Association for being such a great help in this community.

COMMISSIONER FEARHEILEY - WATER AND SEWER

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

ADDITIONAL REPORTS

Administrative Assistant Merle Weems stated that a conclusive meeting with Slingshot Wireless representative Shelly Keneipp-Welsh had taken place and that a contract had been finalized and signed.

Chief of Police Jim Seaton stated that over eighty (80) citations for inoperable motor vehicles have been issued over the last few weeks. Mr. Seaton stated that the response to these efforts has been tremendous and appears to be going very well.

City Attorney Tom Price stated that demolition on the two (2) houses on Second Street has been completed. Mr. Price also stated that he and Administrative Assistant Merle Weems had a discussion with Mr. Bill Strange of Lawrenceville, IL resulting in removal of the house located at 918 Cedar Street.

Fire Chief Steve Partee stated that all is going well at the Mt. Carmel Fire Department and all equipment is operating smoothly.

City Engineer Dave Dallas stated that a bid opening for Empire Street was to be held prior to the Council Meeting dated February 18, 2002. The afore mentioned date is recognized as a State holiday and asked that it be rescheduled for Tuesday, February 19, 2002. After a brief discussion, Mayor Woodcock and the Council Member rescheduled not only the bid opening but the Council Meeting to Tuesday, February 19, 2002. This was done so that the bids may be opened and approved at that time.

BUSINESS MOTIONS

A motion was made by Commissioner Fearheiley and seconded by Commissioner Pfeister to approve Resolution No. 483. All present vote aye.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pfeister and seconded by Commissioner Fearheiley to approve Resolution No. 482. All present vote aye.

A motion was made by Commissioner Fearheiley and seconded by Commissioner Emmons to approve the minutes from the last City Council Meeting dated January 21, 2002. All present vote aye.

Commissioner Shoaff made a motion seconded by Commissioner Emmons to pay all bills bearing the proper signatures. All present vote Aye.

Meeting was adjourned.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk