

**CITY OF TROY**  
**Regular City Council Meeting**  
**April 7, 2008**

The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at 116 E. Market Street, Troy, Illinois. Mayor Tom Caraker, Sr. called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. immediately following the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:** Present; Mayor Tom Caraker, Sr.; Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart; Clerk Mitchell; Treasurer Roady; Absent: Alderman Metcalf excused.

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Administrator Soland, Attorney Manion, Chief Rizzi, Director of Public Works Secrest, Code Administrator Frey.

**READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes from March 17, 2008 regular City Council Meeting. Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Adomite to approve the regular City Council Meeting Minutes as written. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite yea, Brannon yea, Davis yea, Evans abstained, Italiano yea, Lanahan yea, McTaggart yea, 6 yeas, 0 nays, 1 abstention, motion carries.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** Clerk Mitchell has nothing to report at this time.

**MAYOR'S/ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS/CITY ATTORNEY'S COMMENTS:**

Appointment of 2008 Wage Negotiations Committee: Mayor Caraker commented he would like to appoint Aldermen Jay Evans, Sam Italiano, and Susan McTaggart to the Wage Negotiations Committee. Alderman Brannon moved, seconded by Alderman Adomite to approve the Mayor's Appointments to the Wage Negotiations Committee. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

"Kick Off" Meeting with Gene Norber-EDC-Adminsitrator Soland: Alderman Soland commented he is having a "Kick Off" meeting with Gene Norber from (EDR) Economic Development Resources LLC. on April 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. This meeting will begin our process to put together a new Comprehensive Plan for our City. We will find out what will be entailed in the process, timetables, etc.

Alderman Evans commented he would like to see an information meeting for others that our interested in being on a committee. Administrator Soland commented that could be arranged. Administrator Soland commented that we should see a real difference towards July, and then maybe we could have a once a month meeting.

**PEOPLE REQUESTING TO BE ON THE AGENDA:** No one requested to be on the Agenda tonight.

**ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:** *Alderman Evans*

Results of Public Hearing: Alderman Evans commented we had the Public Hearing for vacating a portion of Washington Street. We had representatives from the Troy Fire District and 5 Star Billiards and the Troy VFW. Basically there was no opposition to this, and it will take a ¾ vote to pass. We will have the Ordinance at the next meeting.

**BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Adomite*

Results of Meeting for Klaustermeier Park Improvements: Alderman Adomite commented that they had a meeting for the Klaustermeier Park improvements and a couple of them had gone out and looked over the property, and think they will have some things to discuss. Alderman Adomite commented there first meeting will be held April 14.

Alderman Evans commented he wanted to mention to Alderman Davis that the Grass Cutting Bid is in his packet and we should have it included next time.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Brannon*

Alderman Brannon commented that the Mayor has sent out some letters to our legislators on the Main Street Enhancement and he would like to thank the Mayor for this. Mayor Caraker commented he will continue working on this with the legislators.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Lanahan*

Alderman Lanahan commented that there is a lot of trash in the lake. Mayor Caraker commented that we can take this up with Public Works Director, and he was not aware of it. Alderman Lanahan commented also, we cannot have City Employees families working for the City; it needs to go out to bid. Mayor Caraker commented it has to be \$10,000.00 to go out to bid. Alderman Lanahan commented that he has had contractors calling him, and he thinks it is wrong. His son cannot do anything for the City because he is on the Council. Alderman Lanahan commented that makes no difference and it should go out to bid.

**LAND USE COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Metcalf* has nothing at this time.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES:** *Alderman McTaggart*

Chief Rizzi commented that they called about the cars and hopefully we will have them by next week. Also our new officer has started the academy. Alderman Italiano asked if these new cars would bring us up to staff with vehicles. Chief Rizzi commented yes it will, it will replace the ones that have broke down. Chief Rizzi commented we have started our grant program again on DUI and Speeding tickets.

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Italiano*

Public Works Director Secrest commented that they have been cleaning culverts and doing ditch work. They have been black topping and filling pot holes. The Water Dept. has been fixing small leaks and sewer back ups with all this rain we have had. Public Works Director commented they even found a bowling ball in the culvert. Alderman Italiano asked if we can do something with Riggin going into the park it is real bad, can we see if the contractor can fix that a little better. Mayor Caraker commented there is a lit of pressure on Route 162 with the rain it is really washing it away.

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**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:** *Alderman Davis* has nothing at this time.

Alderman Adomite moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to go into Executive session for the purpose of 5ICLS 120/2-(C) (11) Potential Litigation, 5ICLS 120/2-(C) (6) Sale of Real Property.

Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, went into Executive session at 7:50 p.m.

The Council Reconvened at 8:45 p.m. Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Evans to adjourn. All aldermen present yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

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Tammy J Mitchell, RMC, CMC  
City Clerk