

CITY OF TROY
Regular City Council Meeting
July 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, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf; Clerk Mitchell; Treasurer Roady; Absent: Alderman Evans

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

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from June 16, 2008 regular City Council meeting: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to approve the regular City Council meeting Minutes from June 16, 2008 as written. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Mitchell has nothing at this time.

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

Administrator Soland commented the 4th of July went real well we had many positive comments on it. Mayor thanked Chief Rizzi for a good job in traffic control. Chief Rizzi commented with the new lights you will not be able to control the traffic light which will make it hard to control traffic. Mayor Caraker commented he can check into that.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES: *Alderman Evans* has nothing at this time.

BUILDING AND ZONING COMMITTEE: *Alderman Adomite*

Alderman Adomite wanted to thank Director of Public Works Secrest for checking on the Sewer Line back-up on Staunton Road and getting it fixed first thing this morning.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: *Alderman Brannon*

Alderman Brannon wanted to thank Attorney Wigginton for getting him this written legal opinion guidelines for him to follow next year for Tourism monies.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Lanahan* has nothing at this time.

LAND USE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Metcalf*

Alderman Metcalf commented that the Planning Commission has a meeting this Thursday. Also on June 30 we had an E.D.R. (Economic Development Resources) meeting and they distributed Part I to the ones in attendance and Part I was mostly numbers and facts of the City.

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Part II will start interviews and go through the recommendations, conclusions, demographic and where do we want to go as a City.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES: *Alderman McTaggart*

Chief Rizzi, Jr. commented that Officer Woodring was in a traffic accident and the patrol car was totaled. We are in the process of replacing that car. He was sitting at the stop light on Route 162 and Riggins Rd. and was creamed from behind by an intoxicated driver. He is still off work but he does have a Doctor Appt. soon so we will know when he will return to work.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: *Alderman Italiano*

Acceptance of Bid material-Staunton Road Water Line Relocation: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Davis to accept the low Bid from Midwest Supply for the Staunton Road Water Line Relocation Materials bid of \$23,301.73. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Director of Public Works Secrest: Director of Public Works commented they have been patching holes, mowing weeds. They did some work on Whippoorwill. The water crew installed four new services and repaired three leaks. The water crew also raised two more man holes for Themes Construction on the Route 162 project. Mr. Secrest commented we should start on the Staunton Road Project July 14, 2008 and we are going to start oiling and chip the roads on July 29, 30, and 31 with August 1 being a back up date.

Alderman Italiano asked if Mr. Secrest would look into putting a street sign back up on the corner of Franklin and Throp St. It was removed when they were working on Franklin and was never put back up.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Davis*

Resolution for Final Plat of "The Greens of Troy": Alderman Davis moved, seconded by Alderman Lanahan to adopt *Resolution 2008-11* for the Final Plat of The Greens of Troy two commercial lots on the west side of Dorothy Drive. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Italiano, Lanahan, McTaggart, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Alderman Davis commented he has a lot of concerned citizens about the bike/walking trail that is going in behind Sugar Mill Road. They said they are dissatisfied with the way it was presented to them. They would like to know who the owner of this property is. Alderman Davis commented we know it was granted to the City in 1991 from the railroad in 1992 the City gave ownership to the Madison County Transit. Alderman Soland commented that he will find out the particulars but the MCT has the easement. Mayor Caraker commented that the MCT has the easement to build a bike/walking trail. Alderman Davis said the letter they received was very abrupt and harsh. Therefore, as their Alderman I will represent them. They have also called the City and said they were put off or were told it will be researched. Alderman Davis wants to know why the City has not responded to them. Mayor Caraker commented he has received 1 phone call and 2 e-mails and he responded to all of them, that we have no jurisdiction over that easement, Madison County Transit does. Mayor Caraker stated he said to them that the city has no authority over that easement it belongs to Madison County. Alderman Davis commented that Chairman Dunstan told him personally that there would be nothing done on that trail until they meet with the citizens. Alderman Davis commented he hopes he lives up to his word.

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Alderman Metcalf commented that his understanding was the MCT was going to meet with the citizens and he has seen some of the letters that they have received. He decided to let this play out and see what happens. Mayor Caraker commented that we have no jurisdiction over that easement and that is what he told the two e-mails and one phone call of who contacted him.

Alderman Adomite asked if there was anyone looking into cutting the grass in front of Lanahan Addition where they carved the hillside. Can we see if anyone is going to cut that, the property owners used to cut that but now it is too steep. Mayor Caraker commented that it is way too steep and the jurisdiction is IDOT. Mayor Caraker commented that he will look into this.

Alderman Brannon moved, seconded by Alderman Italiano to adjourn, all aldermen present yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Tammy J Mitchell, RMC, CMC
City Clerk