

CITY OF TROY
Regular City Council Meeting
November 3, 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, Hendrickson, Italiano, Metcalf; Clerk Mitchell; Treasurer Roady; Absent: Alderman Lanahan

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

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from the October 20, 2008 regular City Council: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderwomen Hendrickson to approve the Minutes from the October 20, 2008 regular meeting as written. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite abstained, Brannon yea, Davis yea, Evans abstained, Hendrickson yea, Italiano yea, Metcalf yea, 5 yeas, 2 abstentions, 0 nays, motion carries.
Minutes from the October 9, 2008 Special Meeting: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to approve the Minutes from the October 9, 2008 Special Council meeting as written. Aldermen Adomite yea, Brannon yea, Davis abstained, Evans abstained, Hendrickson yea, Italiano yea, Metcalf abstained, 4 yeas, 3 abstentions, 0 nays, motion carries.

COMMUNICATIONS: Clerk Mitchell has nothing at this time.

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

Presentation of N. Staunton Road Construction and Sewer Line Replacement: Administrator Soland commented on North Staunton Road, the utility move is going along just fine. We are still waiting on ATT and they are the only ones left. Administrator Soland commented we are still working on some engineering for the sewer replacement and should have this ready by the next meeting. Administrator Soland commented that they should be laying asphalt tomorrow on Route 162. Mayor Caraker commented that has been postponed for one day due to the election polling place right there, that would be a mess.

Mayor's Appointment to Wage Negotiations Committee: Mayor Caraker commented that it is time for supervisory appointment and Mrs. McTaggart was chairman of this board. Now that she has retired and Mayor Caraker has assigned Alderwomen Hendrickson a few other assignments. Mayor Caraker would like to recommend the appointment of Alderman Adomite as a member of the Wage Negotiations Committee. Alderwomen Hendrickson moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to accept the Mayor's Appointment of Alderman Allen Adomite as Chairman of the Wage Negotiations Committee. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Hendrickson, Italiano, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

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 commented he wanted to mention the Property Tax Reform that Madison County has been working on. The property tax reform draft was released last week. They are looking at the way our

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property taxes are being used and it is really interesting reading. You can view this draft online at the Madison County web site if you would like to make any recommendations contact them and even post comments. There is nothing in it that is specific to Troy but he wanted to bring this to everybody's attention. Alderman Adomite commented he read an article in the paper that a lawsuit has been filed in Collinsville for a fire death that had no operating smoke detector in the building. That is one of the reasons why it is so important to have these policies and inspections set in place like we do. Alderman Adomite commented that everyone is so happy on James Dr. and that area, every body is pleased with the job the city workers have done.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: *Alderman Brannon*

Alderman Brannon also thanked the City Workers for a good job on Meadowbrook Drive.

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

LAND USE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Metcalf*

Alderman Metcalf wanted to thank Administrator for getting him the Scope of Services and it looks like we are on track with what he was hoping to see. There is a meeting on Thursday evening for anyone wanting to attend.

LAW ENFORCEMENT & EMERGENCY SERVICES: *Alderman Hendrickson*

Alderwomen Hendrickson commented people are calling in to help get the neighborhood watch program started.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE: *Alderman Italiano*

Results of the Public Works Committee meeting: Alderman Italiano commented that we discussed this already and will have something next meeting.

Award of Rt. 40/Troy O'Fallon Rd. Boring Contract for Water Lines: Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Brannon to accept the low bid of \$50,040.00 from Spring Valley Contracting for the Troy O'Fallon & Rt. 40 boring project. Roll call vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Hendrickson, Italiano, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries.

Director of Public Works: DPW Secrest commented they repaired a storm sewer around town and patching holes. They replaced a culvert on Bouse Rd. We received 800 tons of salt. The water crew put in six (6) new services and repaired six (6) small water leaks. We have been jetting some sewer lines. Director of Public Works stated that the IEPA has nominated the Waste Water and Treatment Plant for "Plant of the Year" we are one of five (5). Mayor Caraker commented that is a very prestigious award and he is very proud we are in the top five. Alderman Italiano commented that he has seen some incidents with this construction that there would be 3 contractors in the same spot directing traffic, and he has spoken with the Chief about this. Chief Rizzi, Jr. commented one of his officers stopped and addressed the issue with them. Mayor Caraker asked what the issue is. Chief Rizzi, Jr. commented that they are directing traffic by hand. Mayor Caraker commented that is dangerous and somebody is going to get hit.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: *Alderman Davis*

Alderman Davis thanked Administrator Soland for sending a letter to the residents in Country Village letting them know what is going on.

Alderman Adomite asked what is going on with Charter Consortium. Attorney Wigginton commented Charter Communications has given us no response at all in view of the consortium.

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Alderman Italiano moved, seconded by Alderman Davis to enter into executive session for the purpose of 5ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of an Employee. Voice vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Hendrickson, Italiano, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, went into executive session at 7:46 p.m.

The Council reconvened at 9:10 p.m. Alderman Evans moved, seconded by Alderman Italiano to adjourn, voice vote was taken: Aldermen Adomite, Brannon, Davis, Evans, Hendrickson, Italiano, Metcalf yeas, 7 yeas, 0 nays, motion carries, meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Tammy J Mitchell, RMC, CMC
City Clerk