

CITY OF DECATUR  
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES  
JANUARY 3, 2012

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, January 3, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. Roll call was taken to show Councilmen Cam Collier, Charlie Cook, Bill Crone, Matt Dyer and Ken Meyer were in attendance. Also present was City Attorney, Tim Baker and Clerk-Treasurer, Phyllis Whitright.

The Mayor invited everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Schultz. The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from December 20th meeting. There were no corrections or amendments, so Dyer made a motion to approve the minutes as emailed. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor welcomed newly elected Council member Cam Collier.

Mayor Schultz asked for nominations for Mayor Pro-Tem. Dyer made a motion to nominate Ken Meyer, Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried. Cook made a motion to close and accept the only nomination. Crone seconded the motion. Motion was unanimous. Ken Meyer will serve as Mayor Pro-Tem for the year 2012.

The Mayor announced the adoption of the Travel Policy will be delayed until the next meeting. The Mayor will present the travel policy forms at the Department Head meeting for review and then report back at the next meeting on January 17th.

Discussed at the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting and also approved by the Storm Water Board on December 26, 2011 was to transfer the responsibilities of the Board of Directors of the Storm Water Department to the Board of Public Works & Safety members. The City Attorney, Tim Baker prepared Ordinance No. 2012-1, which amends Chapter 53 of the 2007 City of Decatur Code of Ordinances and which reaffirms or transfers control of Municipal Utilities to the Decatur Board of Public Works & Safety. Baker commented that when the Storm Water Manager position is filled, they will now report to the Board of Public Works & Safety. There were no questions, so Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance No. 2012-1, on First Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Crone and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2012-1 on First Reading. Dyer seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on Second Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Cook and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2012-1 on Second Reading. Cook seconded the motion. The roll call was five (5) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer made a motion to Table Ordinance 2012-1 until the next Common Council meeting on January 17th, seconded by Dyer. All Council Members were in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Schultz announced the State of the City address will take place at Woodcrest on Monday, January 10th. Lunch will begin at 11:45 a.m., and the Mayor will speak at 12:30 p.m.

The Board of Public Works & Safety members approved at their meeting to accept the low quote from Miller Land Surveying of \$5,800.00 for the storm sewer detention pond project for East Monroe Street and Anthony Wayne Meadows. The Board of Works members recommended to Council to approve paying for this project from CEDIT funds. Crone made a motion to approve the expenditure from the CEDIT fund. Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Schultz announced the City was denied the grant from OCRA for demolition of the former street garage building on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street. Grant writer, Matt Vondran from NIRCC will re-apply for the grant to be submitted by April 1, 2012. A public hearing for this project will be held at the next Common Council meeting on January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.

The Mayor gave his sympathy to the family for full-time dispatcher and police reserve officer, Duane Dean Ingmire who died in a fire at his home on Monday, January 2, 2012.

Mayor Schultz announced the Chamber of Commerce will have their Annual Awards Banquet on Thursday, February 2, 2012 at the Knights of Columbus Pavilion. Any Council member and their guest who would like to attend should contact the Mayor or the Clerk-Treasurer.

Street Commissioner, Jeremy Gilbert requested to replace the 2000 Ford grass truck for approximately \$16,080.00. Gilbert has funds budgeted in the Sanitation budget. The Board of Works members gave their approval at their meeting. Crone made a motion to approve the expenditure, Collier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Gilbert also requested to replace the 1976 air compressor at the Street Department for \$5,795 with trade-in from Harvey's Tool Service. The Street Commissioner has the funds available in the MVH-Street budget. The Board of Works members gave their approval at their meeting. Dyer made a motion to approve the expenditure from the MVH-Street fund. Crone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Since the Mayor appoints the Asst. Fire Chief, James P. Hitchcock, Hitchcock has completed a Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement for contract work he may be awarded to by the City for concrete work under Hitchcock Concrete, Inc. who he and his wife Rita Hitchcock are owners. Cook made a motion to make the Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement a matter of record. Crone seconded the motion. Motion carried. The Clerk-Treasurer will forward a copy of this Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement to the State Board of Accounts and the Adams Circuit Court Clerk.

Dyer made a motion to make the Certificate of Appointment for the Board of Public Works & Safety members, the City Attorney, Superintendents and Asst. Superintendents of the City of Decatur departments a matter of record. Crone seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor asked for any comments from the Council members. Councilman Dyer thanked the newly elected Cam Collier for serving on Council. Councilman Collier inquired about the monthly meetings on the City/County building. The Mayor informed Collier that the project will go to voter referendum on the November 2012 ballot. The Mayor will provide the agenda for the next City/County building project meeting to all Council members.

Cook made a motion to allow the claims as presented. Dyer seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business, Dyer made a motion for adjournment. Collier seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.