

CITY OF DECATUR
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 4, 2008

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, March 4, 2008 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 Councilwoman Barb Engle and Councilmen Charlie Cook, Bill Crone, Matt Dyer, and Ken Meyer were in attendance. City Attorney, Tim Baker was also present.

The Clerk-Treasurer had mailed the minutes from the February 19th council meeting. With no additions or corrections offered, Dyer made a motion for approval of the minutes as mailed. Engle seconded the motion. All council members were in favor. Motion carried.

First on the agenda was the Final Reading of Ordinance No. 2008-2, an Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 2007-5 to add a position and wages for a maintenance specialist to the Parks & Recreation Department for the Year 2008. There were no questions or comments, so Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on Third Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Adopt Ordinance 2008-2, seconded by Dyer. Roll call for Adoption of Ordinance 2008-2 was Cook, Crone, Dyer, Engle, and Meyer in favor and none opposed.

----- Insert Ordinance No. 2008-2 Here -----

Mayor Schultz reported the demolition of the Decatur Casting property is 90% completed. The mayor also remarked the soil is being tested, which is being paid for through a grant. If the soil is contaminated then the County will apply for another grant for cleanup.

The mayor received a request from WBZD Radio to close Jackson Street for an Easter Egg Hunt to take place behind Riverside Center on Saturday, March 22nd from 12 noon – 2:00p.m. Engle made a motion to grant approval, Cook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dyer made a motion to make the legal notice for the Annual Financial Report for the City of Decatur a matter of record. Meyer seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The Mayor encouraged people to attend the Spotlight on Decatur, which will be on Saturday, March 8th at Bellmont Middle School.

The Mayor announced that all summer help has been hired for the city, so no applications will be taken this year.

City Attorney, Tim Baker reported the lawsuit filed by Tresa Sayler against the Adams County Coin Club and the Parks & Recreation Department has been resolved.

Police Chief, Ken Ketzler reported 18 applications have been filed for a Police Patrolman. The next steps are the agility, a written exam and a background check.

Fire Chief, Les Marckel is now taking applications until March 15th for Volunteer Firefighters.

Jim Inskeep, Water Supt. reported a pre-construction meeting was held with Era Valdivia Contractors, Inc. on February 25th who will be refurbishing the North and South Water Towers. They will begin with the North Water Tower around the end of March. If everything goes well, both towers could be finished by late July or early August.

The mayor announced one application has been received for the North Adams School Board. The deadline is March 14th.

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

There being no further business, Engle made a motion for adjournment. Dyer seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.