

CITY OF DECATUR  
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES  
NOVEMBER 3, 2008

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Monday, November 3, 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, Matt Dyer, and Ken Meyer were in attendance. Also present was City Attorney, Tim Baker. Councilman Bill Crone was absent.

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the October 21st council meeting. There were no additions or corrections offered so Engle made a motion to approve the minutes as received. Dyer seconded the motion. All council members were in favor. Motion carried.

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

The City Attorney prepared Ordinance 2008-9, to amend Purchasing Ordinance 2008-5, as requested from the previous meeting. The ordinance should read when receiving bids, the amount of the bid bond should be 10% instead of 100% of the base bid. There were no questions, so Meyer motioned to Place the Ordinance on First Reading by short title only. Motion was seconded by Engle and passed by consent.

Meyer motioned to Pass Ordinance 2008-9 on First Reading. Cook seconded the motion. The roll call was four (4) 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 2008-9 on Second Reading. Dyer seconded the motion. The roll call was four (4) members voting in favor and none against.

Meyer then motioned to suspend the rules and Place the Ordinance on Third Reading. Motion was seconded by Dyer and passed unanimously.

Meyer motioned to Adopt Ordinance 2008-9. Dyer seconded the motion. Roll call for Adoption of Ordinance 2008-9 was Cook, Dyer, Engle, and Meyer in favor and none opposed.

The Mayor thanked the newspaper for the nice article about tree removal. The Parks Department will remove damaged trees if they are in the city right-of-way.

The Mayor also thanked the Callithumpian Committee and the Police Department for all their work involved in the Callithumpian Festivities.

The Mayor announced he has received many comments from the residents in Homestead addition pertaining to the leaves and brush being placed in the Homestead Park. The Mayor will have the Street Commissioner send letters to notify the residents to make sure they place leaves and brush on the edge of their property, not across the road into the park. An issue with parking on the park grounds was also discussed, which is permitted for special occasions, but no vehicle should be parked more than 24 hours. Steve Krull, Parks Supt. remarked Homestead Park is not the only problem, people are hauling more trash into the parks, graffiti, etc., which cost the city to maintain the parks.

The CSO project should be completed by the end of November, streets to be repaved next spring.

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

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