

CITY OF DECATUR  
COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES  
AUGUST 1, 2023

The City of Decatur Common Council met on Tuesday, August 1, 2023, at 6:55 P.M. at City Hall in Council Chambers, 172 N. Second Street, Decatur. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Dan Rickord. Roll call was taken to show Councilmen Craig Coshow, Matt Dyer, Tyler Fullenkamp, Scott Murray, Wylie Sirk were in attendance. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright and City Attorney Anne Razo.

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

The Clerk-Treasurer had emailed the minutes from the July 18, 2023 meeting and Dyer made a motion to accept the minutes as emailed. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Murray made a motion to pay the claims against the City as posted. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted.

At 7:00 p.m. Coshow made a motion to suspend the Council meeting and open the Public Hearing. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted.

The purpose of holding the Public Hearing was for public input regarding Ordinance 2023-11, an ordinance which repeals and replaces Chapter 52 of the Decatur Code of Ordinances of 2015, as supplemented in its entirety, regarding Stormwater Regulations. City Attorney Anne Razo explained the reason for the hearing and asked for anyone wishing to speak in support or in opposition to the ordinance. There being no comments from the public, Fullenkamp made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted.

Coshow made a motion to reconvene the Council meeting. Seconded by Sirk, the motion was adopted.

Sirk made a motion to make the legal notice for the Public Hearing of Ordinance 2023-11 a matter of record. Seconded by Dyer, the motion was adopted.

Ordinance 2023-11, an ordinance which repeals and replaces Chapter 52 of the Decatur Code of Ordinances of 2015, as supplemented in its entirety, regarding Stormwater Regulations, was brought forward. Sirk made a motion to place Ordinance 2023-11 on its third reading by short title only. Seconded by Murray, the motion was passed, and City Attorney Anne Razo read Ordinance 2023-11 by short title only. Sirk then made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-11 on its third and final reading. Seconded by Murray, a roll call vote showed 5-0 passage.

Clerk-Treasurer Phyllis Whitright distributed the 2024 proposed budgets (Form 1's) to the Council members to review before the next Council meeting on August 15<sup>th</sup> when Council will go through each one for any recommended changes.

Mayor Rickord complimented and thanked Ms. Whitright for all her time and effort in putting the proposed budgets together.

Department Heads:

Fire Chief Jeff Sheets noted that between 35-40 attended the department's first night of Back to School event where kids and their parents could go through the department and learn about fire safety and see how the department operates.

Kevin Hackman, Utilities Auditor reported that the painting of the south water tower had been completed and start up to being on Thursday.

Council Input:

Sirk thanked Police Chief Kevin Gerber for his Department spear-heading the Back to School Supplies Program. Chief Gerber noted that Office Manager Amy Gage was the one in charge of the program.

Coshow announced that the Chamber had held a ribbon cutting event earlier today in celebration of the 75 years in business of the Two Brothers Restaurant and Tavern.

There being no other business to be brought before the Council, Dyer made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Fullenkamp, the motion was adopted.

Adjournment was at 7:12 P.M.