

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
March 20, 2007

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2007, in City Council Chambers of the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 S. Illinois Avenue. Following a meeting of the Local Liquor Control Commission, Mayor Brad Cole called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: Councilman Steven Haynes, Councilman Lance Jack, Councilwoman Sheila Simon, Councilwoman Corene McDaniel, Councilman Joel Fritzler, Councilman Chris Wissmann, and Mayor Brad Cole

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Janet M. Vaught, City Manager Jeffrey W. Doherty and various members of the City's administrative staff.

2. General Announcements and Proclamations

Police Chief Bob Ledbetter announced the 15th Annual Crimestoppers Spaghetti Dinner scheduled for March 29th from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Carbondale Middle School.

Mayor Cole congratulated the SIU Saluki Men's and Women's basketball players and coaching staffs on their seasons. He noted that the success of both programs have brought much positive public relations for SIU and the City of Carbondale.

Mayor Cole noted that without objection, Agenda Item 6.6 would be considered immediately following Item 6.2. There was no objection.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

Richard Whitney, 1801 New Era Road, spoke on behalf of the Healthcare for All Illinois Coalition. He announced a forum on the Single-Payer Health Care would be held on Wednesday, March 21st. He also asked that a resolution supporting Single-Payer Health Care in Illinois be scheduled for City Council consideration at an upcoming meeting.

4. Public Hearings and Special Reports

1. Special Report from the Fire Department

Fire Chief John Michalesko described the Pre-Incident Planning Program that has been implemented by the Fire Department. Chief Michalesko also announced that the Fire Department will also be implementing a Household Risk Analysis Checklist for citizens to assess the needs in their own homes.

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5. Consent Agenda

Presented for Council approval on the Consent Agenda were the following items and corresponding recommendations:

1. Approval of Minutes. Recommendation: Approve minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on March 6, 2007.
2. Approval of Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #1003 for the period ended February 26, 2007, in the amount of \$1,032,083.34. (Exhibit A-3-20-07)
3. Acceptance of Minutes of Boards, Commissions and Committees. Recommendation: Accept Human Relations Commission of February 5, 2007; Liquor Advisory Board of February 1, 2007; Planning Commission of February 21, 2007; and Zoning Board of Appeals of July 19, 2006.
4. Illinois Municipal League Legislative Bulletins 2007-05 and 2007-06. Recommendation: Accept the Bulletins and place them on file, oppose HB 1500 in its present form and support HB 458.
5. Award of two-year mowing contract for FY 2008 and FY 2009. Recommendation: Award contract for all sections (right-of-way, public works parcels, area drainways, City-owned and private-owned parcels) to J & S Services of DeSoto, IL, in the amount of \$68,390.80.
6. Resolution Proclaiming the Results of the February 27, 2007, Primary Election. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2007-R-13; Exhibit B-3-20-07)
7. Planning Commission Annual Report for Calendar Year 2006. Recommendation: Accept and place on file.

Mayor Cole asked if any Council members would like any item removed from the Consent Agenda. There were no items removed.

C. Wissmann moved, J. Fritzler seconded, that Consent Agenda Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7 be approved. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

6. General Business

1. Resolution commending Street Foreman Columbus Aiken for service to the City

After the resolution was read in full, S. Haynes moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council approve the resolution commending Street Foreman Columbus Aiken for service to the City. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2007-R-11; Exhibit C-3-20-07)

2. Resolution commending Cemetery Sexton Gary Hefler for service to the City

After the resolution was read in full, S. Haynes moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council approve the resolution commending Cemetery Sexton Gary Hefler for service to the City. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2007-R-12; Exhibit D-3-20-07)

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At this point in the agenda, Mayor Cole introduced Agenda Item 6.6 for discussion.

6. Ordinance approving John Alleman's request to rezone 6.77 acres east of East Campus Drive from AG, General Agriculture, to R-1-5, Low Density Residential

S. Simon moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council adopt the Ordinance denying the request to rezone 6.77 acres located east of East Campus Drive from AG, General Agriculture, to R-1-5, Low Density Residential. DISCUSSION: Speaking in support of the rezoning was applicant John Alleman. Robert Bauman (did not give address) also spoke in support. Speaking in opposition to the rezoning were Lee Fronabarger of 1140 Morningside, Amber and Homer Hansen of 1124 S. Glenbeth and Stephanie Eichholz representing Green Earth. Jerry Bradley of the Carbondale Times asked a question. For the record, Mayor Cole acknowledged receipt of an e-mail from Jeff Bileau and petitions submitted by Amber Hansen. VOTE ON MOTION: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: C. Wissmann. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2007-R-13; Exhibit E-3-20-07)

At this point in the agenda, Mayor Cole returned to Item 6.3 on the printed agenda.

3. Award of purchase of Passenger Vehicle for the Fire Department

S. Haynes moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council declare the trade-in vehicle (1997 Ford Taurus, City ID #8947, VIN #1FALP5226VG219960) as surplus property and award the purchase of a passenger vehicle for the Fire Department to Ward Chrysler Center of Carbondale in the amount of \$15,007.00 for a 2007 Dodge Caravan. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

4. Resolution adopting a HOME Homebuyer Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority and authorizing the execution of Grant Documents

S. Haynes moved, J Fritzler seconded, that the Council approve a Resolution accepting the Homebuyer Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority and authorizing the execution of the grant documents. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2007-R-14; Exhibit F-3-20-07)

5. Ordinance amending Title Two and Title Eighteen of the Carbondale Revised Code regarding the repackaging and transportation of a partially-consumed bottle of wine

S. Haynes moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council approve the Ordinance amending Title Two, Sections 2-4-9.A.4 and 2-5-5 of the Carbondale Revised Code to allow Class A1 and A2 establishments to reseal partially-consumed bottles of wine and allow patrons to leave the licensed premises with the resealed and repackaged bottles and amending Title Eighteen, Section 18-5-1 to allow the vehicular transportation of bottles of wine that have been resealed and repackaged in accordance with CRC Section 2-4-9.A.4. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. 2007-07; Exhibit G-3-20-07)

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7. Council Comments

8. Closed Meeting

S. Simon moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council hold a closed meeting to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation or performance of a specific employee of the public body, collective negotiating matters, the purchase or lease of real property for use by the public body, the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body, and litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the public body is probable or imminent or has been filed and is pending before the court pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(5), (c)(6) and (c)(11). VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

C. Wissmann moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council return to open session. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, S. Simon, C. McDaniel, J. Fritzler, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. Open session resumed at 9:50 p.m.

There was no formal action taken as a result of the Closed Meeting.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:51 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
