

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
March 18, 2008

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, March 18, 2008, 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 City Council meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

1. Roll Call

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

Absent: Councilwoman Mary Pohlmann

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

Mayor Cole announced that City offices would be closed on Friday, March 21, for the Good Friday holiday. Refuse collection routes will not be affected.

Mayor Cole announced that this week was National Flood Safety Awareness Week. He noted the heavy rains which were ongoing, added that the intersections on Walnut, College, Grand and others were being affected and urged motorists to be careful and watch for possible detours.

Mayor Cole noted that a special edition of the Carbondale Communiqué had just been completed which focuses on Emergency Preparedness. This special edition will be available in the Southern Illinoisan, Carbondale Times and at City Hall.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

Elius Reed, 2012 South Illinois Avenue, referred to a letter he had sent to Community Relations Officer Marilyn James and had distributed to the City Council at the last meeting. He distributed a copy of a new letter addressed to Ms. James which noted that he had not yet received a response to his initial letter and again asked to be informed whether certain policies and statements were included in the current Affirmative Action Plan.

Timothy Donohue, 307 South Graham, referred to prior City Council discussions concerning the use of electric scooters and his dismay at the Council's decision to not authorize the use of such vehicles on City streets.

4. Public Hearings and Special Reports

There were no public hearings or special reports.

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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 and Public Hearing on the Proposed Vacation of an Alley off of North Bridge Street, both held on March 4, 2008.
2. Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #1031 for the period ended February 25, 2008, (FY 2008) in the amount of \$924,506.27. (Exhibit A-3-18-08)
3. Acceptance of Minutes of Boards, Commissions and Committees. Recommendation: Accept Fire Fighters Pension Board of Trustees of December 11, 2007 and January 17 and 28, 2008; Human Relations Commission of February 4, 2008; Liquor Advisory Board of February 7, 2008 and Planning Commission of January 16, 2008.
4. Illinois Municipal League Legislative Bulletins 2008-04 and 2008-05. Recommendation: Accept and place on file.
5. Removed from Consent.
6. Approval of Purchase of Rock Salt through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program. Recommendation: Reaffirm that the purchase of rock salt through the State of Illinois Joint Purchasing Program is in the best interests of the City and approve the purchase of rock salt for highway snow and ice control and authorize the City Manager to submit a requisition to the State of Illinois Department of Central Management Services for 800 tons of rock salt through the Joint Purchasing Program.
7. Resolution declaring Fair Days for the Carbondale Main Street Arts Fair. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2008-R-14; Exhibit B-3-18-08)
8. Surplus of City-Owned Personal Property. Recommendation: Declare current compressor and fill station units (SCBA Fill Station, City Tag #8046) a surplus property pursuant to Section 1-13-3 of the City Code.
9. Notice of Special City Council Meeting to be held on March 31, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room. (No action required)

Mayor Cole asked if any Council members would like any items removed from the Consent Agenda. Councilman Haynes asked that Item 5.5 be removed.

C. McDaniel moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.6, 5.7, 5.8 and 5.9. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

5.5 Award of purchase of Five (5) 2008 Model, Full Size, 4-Door, FFV Police Package Vehicles

S. Haynes moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council declare the trade-in vehicles (1996 Crown Victoria, City ID #8354, VIN #2FALP71W4TX157658; 1999 Ford Crown Victoria, City ID #9597, VIN #2FAFP71W2xX182013; and 1999 Ford Crown Victoria, City ID #9594, VIN #2FAFP71W9XX182011) as surplus property; reject the bid #1 from Sutton Ford, Inc., Matteson, Illinois, in the amount of \$102,832 for failure to meet the minimum acceptable specifications; and award the purchase of five (5) 2008 model full size, four-door FFV Police Package Vehicles to Vogler Motor Company, Inc. of Carbondale in the amount of \$107,580.00 for 2008 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptors. DISCUSSION: Councilman Haynes noted that with the passage of this item there will be local tax dollars being given to a local vendor. In response to Councilman Haynes' inquiry, Mayor Cole

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noted that he has discussed certain aspects of the bid with the City Manager and they have been addressed. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

6. General Business

1. Resolution Commending Administrative Assistant Marilyn Hisgen for Service to the City of Carbondale

S. Haynes moved, J. Fritzler seconded, that the Council approve the Resolution commending Administrative Assistant Marilyn Hisgen for service to the City of Carbondale. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2008-R-13; Exhibit C-3-18-08)

2. Ordinance amending Section 1-14G-6.B of the City Code regarding the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners

S. Haynes moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council adopt the Ordinance amending Section 1-14G-6B of the Carbondale Revised Code regarding Board of Fire and Police Commissioners Governing Rules. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Ord. 2008-10; Exhibit D-3-18-08)

3. Resolution declaring Fair Days for the Carbondale Park District Sunset Concert Series

C. Wissmann moved, S. Haynes seconded, that the Council approve the Resolution declaring Fair Days for the Carbondale Park District for the 2008 Sunset Concert Series at Lenus Turley Park. DISCUSSION: Councilwoman McDaniel noted that she was supportive of the Sunset Concerts but was in opposition to alcohol in the parks. VOTE: Ayes: C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler and B. Cole. Nays: C. McDaniel. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2008-R-15; Exhibit E-3-18-08)

4. Ordinance approving and Resolution denying Savannah Apartment's request to rezone 4.26 acres from PUD, Planned Unit Development without an established Land Use Intensity Ratio, to PUD, Planned Unit Development with a maximum Land Use Intensity Ratio of 4.6

Angela Povolish-Boudet, attorney for the applicant, spoke in support of the rezoning. Douglas Ross of Ross Financial Services and Manager of Savannah Apartments LLC, also spoke in support of the project. Mayor Cole expressed opposition to the rezoning and said that in the next few weeks he will be bringing to the City Council a moratorium on new, multi-family, rental housing developments that will help manage the high density growth the City has seen in the last couple of years. He noted that the moratorium is an attempt to limit the negative impact on the City's existing housing core and the neighborhoods that become affected by new multi-unit developments. Mayor Cole added that the moratorium will not affect currently approved site plans for pending developments and does not relate to dispersed housing or single-family housing developments.

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J. Fritzler moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council adopt the Resolution denying the request to rezone 4.26 acres located on the northwest corner of East College Street and South Lewis Lane, from PUD, Planned Unit Development without an established Land Use Intensity Ratio, to PUD, Planned Unit Development with a maximum Land Use Intensity Ratio of 4.6. VOTE: Ayes: C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann, S. Haynes, L. Jack and B. Cole. Nays: J. Fritzler. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2008-R-16; Exhibit F-3-18-08)

7. Council Comments

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 7:52 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on
