

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
April 21, 2009

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 21, 2009, in City Council Chambers of the Carbondale Civic Center, 200 South Illinois Avenue. Mayor Brad Cole called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following-named members of the City Council present/absent:

1. Roll Call

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

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Janet M. Vaught, City Manager Allen D. Gill and various members of the City's administrative staff.

2. General Announcements and Proclamations

Councilman Fritzler announced the Southern Illinois Irish Festival to be held the upcoming weekend. There will be concerts at Copper Dragon and Cousin Andy's on Friday night and various events at Turley Park on Saturday and Sunday. More information is available at www.silirishfest.org.

Councilman Wissmann announced the Great Cardboard Boat Regatta to be held the upcoming Saturday on Campus Lake at Southern Illinois University. Mayor Cole added that the prior week the Society of Civil Engineers had a concrete canoe contest.

Councilwoman Pohlmann announced the Lion's Club Pancake Days to be held the upcoming Saturday and Sunday in the Town Square.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

Elius Reed, 2012 South Illinois Avenue, asked who had made the decision to spend \$774,268 in Federal Stimulus funds for resurfacing of Washington and Wall Streets and Oakland Avenue. Mayor Cole noted that the decision will be made by the City Council when it votes on the Community Investment Plan, adding that the construction of the Marion Street extension will also be funded with stimulus money. Mr. Reed asked a couple of questions related to the FY 2010 proposed budget; Mayor Cole noted that the discussion on the budget will occur later in the meeting and asked Mr. Reed to hold his questions until that time.

4. Public Hearings and 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 of the Regular City Council meeting and Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2010 Budget, both held on March 31, 2009, and the Special City Council meeting held on April 9, 2009. Recommendation: Approve.
2. Approval of Warrant. Recommendation: Approve Warrant #1061 for the period ended March 23, 2009, in the amount of \$1,391,546.55. (Exhibit A-4-21-2009)
3. Acceptance of Minutes of Boards, Commissions and Committees. Recommendation: Accept Carbondale Public Library Board of Trustees of March 11, 2009; Human Relations Commission of March 2, 2009, and Zoning Board of Appeals of December 17, 2008.
4. Appointment and Reappointments to Boards and Commissions. Recommendation: Concur in Mayor's recommended appointment and reappointments as follows: Reappointment of Trace Brown, Sam Goldman, Mary Mechler, Chan Sang San, Ann Marie Shepherd, Debbie Tindall and George Whitehead to the Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau through April 30, 2012; Reappointment of Councilman Chris Wissmann as ex-officio to the Carbondale Information and Telecommunications Commission through June 30, 2011; Reappointment of Ron Diel and James Stroud to the Community Development Loan and Grant Review Board through July 31, 2010; Reappointment of Genevieve Houghton, Everett Hughes, and Priscilla Pimentel to the Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission through May 1, 2013; the reappointment of Councilman Joel Fritzler as ex-officio to the Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission through May 1, 2011; Reappointment of Paulette Curkin and Gregory Nofsinger to the Human Relations Commission for terms to extend through April 15, 2012, and May 1, 2011, respectively; Reappointment of Joyce Hayes, Julian Pei and Don Prosser to the Library Board of Trustees through June 30, 2012, and reappointment of Patricia Brigham to the Library Board through June 30, 2010; Reappointment of John Benshoff, Lawrence Juhlin and Mark Robinson to the Liquor Advisory Board through May 1, 2012, and reappointment of Nick Ferraro and Trevor Burggraff as student representatives to the Liquor Advisory Board through May 1, 2010; Appointment of LaRue Love to the Planning Commission-Zoning Board of Appeals through January 31, 2013; reappointment of Lee Fronabarger to the Planning Commission-Zoning Board of Appeals through January 31, 2013; reappointment of Councilman Lance Jack as ex-officio to the Planning Commission through May 1, 2011.
5. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with Southern Illinois University for Bus Service. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-22; Exhibit B-4-21-09)
6. Removed from Consent. (Acted upon following Item 6.2.)
7. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Agreement with the Humane Society of Southern Illinois, Inc.. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-23; Exhibit C-4-21-09)
8. Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment Relative to Semi-Trailers and Other Similar Moveable Structures as Accessory Structures in Residential Districts. Recommendation: Approve. (Ord. 2009-19; Exhibit D-4-21-09)
9. Resolution Approving Dona Reese's Request for a Special Use Permit to Allow a Dwelling Unit as Permitted in the R-3, High Density Residential, District in an SB, Secondary Business, District. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-24; Exhibit E-4-21-09)

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10. Ordinance approving a Budget Adjustment for the Police Department for Grant Funds from the U.S. Department of Justice for a V.A.W.A. Grant. Recommendation: Approve. (Ord. 2009-20; Exhibit F-4-21-09)
11. Award of Purchase of Three Rugged Laptop Computers/Mobile Data Terminals for the Fire Department. Recommendation: Award purchase to Roy Walker Communications of Makanda in the amount of \$12,195.00 for Motorola ML910 Rugged Notebooks.
12. Resolution Accepting HOME Homebuyer Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority and Authorizing the Execution of Grant Funds. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-25; Exhibit G-4-21-09)
13. Resolution Accepting a Grant from the Illinois Housing Development Authority for the Single Family Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program and Authorizing the Execution of Grant Documents. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-26; Exhibit H-4-21-09)
14. Resolution Authorizing the Granting of a Dedication of Utilities Over City Property. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2009-R-27; Exhibit I-4-21-09)
15. Ordinance Amending Water and Sewer Rate Structure. Recommendation: Approve. (Ord. 2009-21; Exhibit J-4-21-09)

Mayor Cole noted that Item 5.6 would be removed from the Consent Agenda and acted upon after approval of the budget. He asked if any Council member would like any additional items removed from the Consent Agenda. There were no items removed.

M. Pohlmann moved, S. Haynes seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.7, 5.8, 5.9, 5.10, 5.11, 5.12, 5.13, 5.14 and 5.15. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler, C. McDaniel, M. Pohlmann, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

6. General Business

1. Ordinance Approving FY 2010 Budget and Resolution Approving the Five-Year Community Investment Program

Following introductory comments by City Manager Gill, C. McDaniel moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council adopt an Ordinance for the City of Carbondale Annual Operating Budget in the amount of \$52,922,787 and the Carbondale Public Library Budget in the amount of \$954,518 for Fiscal Year 2010, which includes the period from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010; and adopt a Resolution approving the Five-Year Community Investment Program for Fiscal Years 2010 through 2014 in the amount of \$49,767,398.

Following Council comments on the budget, Mayor Cole invited comments from the public. Presenting comments were Jeff Woodruff, 601 East Campus Drive; Pawel Sawicki, 907 South Taylor Drive; Charles Fanning, 808 West Cherry; Elius Reed, 2012 South Illinois Avenue; Genevieve Houghton, 701 North Oakland; Jane Adams, 702 West Cherry; Scott Hunsaker, a member of the Planning Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals (no address given); Liz Gersbacher, 1507 West Taylor Drive; and Sandy Litecky, 603 West Walnut Street.

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Following additional Council comments, Mayor Cole called for the VOTE ON MOTION that the Council adopt an Ordinance for the City of Carbondale Annual Operating Budget in the amount of \$52,922,787 and the Carbondale Public Library Budget in the amount of \$954,518 for Fiscal Year 2010, which includes the period from May 1, 2009 to April 30, 2010; and adopt a Resolution approving the Five-Year Community Investment Program for Fiscal Years 2010 through 2014 in the amount of \$49,767,398. VOTE: Ayes: L. Jack, C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: S. Haynes, J. Fritzler and M. Pohlmann. Motion declared carried. (Ord. 2009-22 and Res. 2009-R-28 respectively; Exhibits K-4-21-09 and L-4-21-09 respectively)

2. Ordinance Adopting Pay Plan for Non-Bargaining Unit Employees for FY 2010

C. McDaniel moved, C. Wissmann seconded, that the Council adopt the Ordinance adopting a Pay Plan for Non-Bargaining Unit Employees for Fiscal year 2010 beginning May 1, 2009 and ending April 30, 2010. VOTE: Ayes: L. Jack, C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: S. Haynes, J. Fritzler and M. Pohlmann. Motion declared carried. (Ord. 2009-23; Exhibit M-4-21-09)

5.6. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Contracts with Community Organizations

C. Wissmann moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council adopt the Resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into contracts with community organizations as follows: Carbondale Convention and Tourism Bureau, \$317,500; The Women's Center, \$12,111; Senior Adult Services, \$37,041; Southern Illinois Regional Social Services, \$13,454; Good Samaritan Ministries, \$18,560; Carbondale Main Street, \$12,021; Attucks Community Services, Inc., \$56,280; I Can Read Program of Southern Illinois, \$24,498; Boys and Girls Club of Carbondale, \$32,782; Carbondale Community Arts, \$58,281; Family Advocacy Services (Y.E.S.), \$25,571; Science Center, \$10,026; and Abundant Health Resource Clinic, \$30,879. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, C. McDaniel, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: J. Fritzler and M. Pohlmann. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2009-R-29; Exhibit N-4-21-09)

7. Council Comments

Mayor Cole noted that he had attended the National League of Cities Green Cities Expo and announced that he would be seeking City Council approval to change the Energy and Environmental Advisory Commission to create a Sustainability Commission to study incentives and financing for energy conservation and renewal energy sources, apply energy conservation principles, seek to increase energy efficiency, recommend energy conservation provisions to the City Code and facilitate exchange of information and expertise throughout the community on issues of sustainability.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 8:25 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
