

City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Regular Meeting
April 6, 2010

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 6, 2010, 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

Development Services Director Michael Pierceall announced that the Planning Commission would be holding a public hearing on the proposed Comprehensive Plan on Wednesday, May 19th. Also in attendance at the meeting will be the members of the Comprehensive Plan Review Committee. The proposed Plan will be published and placed on display for public review at City Hall and will also be published on the website. Questions may be addressed to the Development Services Office. Mayor Cole noted that the Comprehensive Plan is currently scheduled for consideration by the City Council on June 22, 2010.

Mayor Brad Cole introduced Anthony Harrison, the City's new Water Operations Manager.

Mayor Cole noted the death of long-time City employee Jim Summers on April 5, 2010. A Moment of Silence was held in honor of Mr. Summers.

Mayor Cole proclaimed April 24, 2010, as "Boy Scouts 100th Anniversary Day". There was no one present to accept the proclamation.

Mayor Cole proclaimed April 19-25, 2010, as "R. Buckminster and Anne Hewlett Fuller Dome Home Week" and presented the proclamation to Brent Ritzel, President/Treasurer of RBF Dome NFP. Mayor Cole, along with Preservation Commission President Evelyn Koine, presented Ritzel with a check for \$4,378.92 from a grant from the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency reimbursing them for costs associated with nomination of the Dome Home as a National Historic Landmark through the National Parks Service.

3. Citizen Comments and Questions

Pastor Rick Jackson of the Bethel AME Church began commenting about the elimination of the Community Relations Officer position. Pastor Jackson was asked to hold his comments until the Public Hearing on the FY 2011 Budget.

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Elbert Simon, a Carbondale resident, outlined the history of the Model Cities program and the construction of the Eurma C. Hayes Center. He said that when the Eurma C. Hayes Center was developed, he believes the City made a commitment to the citizens of the northeast community to maintain the building and the services provided within the building without any limit on time. He objected to the City saying it was going to give the building to the agencies housed in the building when those agencies feel that the building is already theirs. Mr. Simon said that many years ago the agencies asked to take over the Eurma C. Hayes Center but they were denied with the City saying that it was not allowed to relinquish control. Mr. Simon said it seems contradictory to the City's goals which express the City's commitment to community programs for disadvantaged people.

4. Public Hearings and Special Reports

1. Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2011 City Budget

The minutes of this Public Hearing were transcribed separately.

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 held on March 23, 2010. Recommendation: Approve.
2. Warrant for Period Ended March 28, 2010, Warrant #1089. Recommendation: Approve in amount of \$1,092,364.20. (Exhibit A-4-6-10)
3. Acceptance of Minutes of Boards, Commissions and Committees. Recommendation: Accept Board of Fire and Police Commissioners of February 26, 2010; Carbondale Information and Telecommunications Commission of October 20, 2008; Liquor Advisory Board of March 9, 2010; Sustainability Commission of February 18, 2010.
4. Resolution Approving Bond Volume Cap Allocation for 2010 Qualified Mortgage Bond Program. Recommendation: Approve. (Res. 2010-R-16; Exhibit B-4-6-10)
5. Purchase of Fully Sealed Unbreakable Cicolac Coin Boxes, Brackets and Sealed Collection Carry Packs to be Used by the Parking Division to Collect Meter Revenue. Recommendation: Award purchase of 570 Cicolac sealed coin boxes and brackets in the amount of \$17,100.58 and three carry pack canisters in the amount of \$2,150.80 from POM, Inc., Russellville, Arkansas, pursuant to Sections 1-6-13.E.1 and 1-6-13.E.7 of the Carbondale Revised Code.
6. Ordinance authorizing a Budget Adjustment to Increase the Overall Waterworks and Sewerage Fiscal Year 2010 Budget for the Water Treatment Plant Division in the amount of \$13,000 and a Budget Adjustment to Transfer \$15,000 from the Water Distribution Division and \$5,000 from the Support Services Division to the Water Treatment Plant Division. Recommendation: Approve Ordinance and Budget Adjustment. (Ord. 2010-11; Exhibit C-4-6-10)

The Mayor asked if anyone would like any items removed from the Consent Agenda. There were no items removed.

L. Jack moved, C. McDaniel seconded, that the Council approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, and 5.6. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler, C. McDaniel, M. Pohlmann, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

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6. General Business

1. Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Purchase Real Estate and to Award a Contract for the Demolition of 315 South Illinois Avenue

M. Pohlmann moved, L. Jack seconded, that the Council approve a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to purchase the property at 315 South Illinois Avenue; award a contract for the demolition of 315 South Illinois Avenue to May Trucking, Inc. of Carbondale in the amount of \$18,024; and authorize the City Manager to contract for the removal of asbestos containing materials (ACM) upon completion of testing. DISCUSSION: In response to Councilman Haynes' inquiry, City Manager Gill noted that funding for the purchase will come from the Municipal Parking Fund. VOTE: Ayes: S. Haynes, L. Jack, J. Fritzler, C. McDaniel, M. Pohlmann, C. Wissmann and B. Cole. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. (Res. 2010-R-17; Exhibit D-4-6-10)

2. Discussion of FY 2011 Budget and Five Year Community Investment Program

City Council members presented their requests, ideas and suggestions for modification to the budget as proposed.

There was no formal action on the budget at this meeting. Mayor Cole noted that the Proposed FY 2011 Budget and the Five Year Community Investment Program would be brought back for formal City Council action on April 20, 2010.

7. Council Comments

Councilman Haynes asked if the suggestions made by Council members would receive consideration prior to the next meeting and whether responses to the suggestions for modification to the proposed budget will be forthcoming. Mayor Cole responded that the City Manager will prepare remarks on the suggestions made by Council members and if there are changes in the proposed document from what was presented tonight, those will be sent to the City Council in advance.

Councilman Jack expressed appreciation to those citizens who have voiced their concerns and shared their views.

8. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:14 p.m..

Janet M. Vaught, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
