

**City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois
Special Meeting of January 21, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Carbondale, Illinois, held a special meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2014, in City Council Chambers, 200 South Illinois Avenue. Mayor Joel Fritzler called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m. with the following members of the Council present/absent:

1. Roll Call

Present: Councilman Lee Fronabarger, Councilwoman Jessica Bradshaw, Councilwoman Carolin Harvey, Councilman Donald Monty, Councilwoman Jane Adams, Councilman Lance Jack, and Mayor Joel Fritzler

Absent: None

Also present were City Clerk Jennifer Sorrell, City Manager Kevin Baity, and various members of the City's administrative staff.

2. General Announcements and Proclamations

Mayor Fritzler announced that the purpose of the meeting was to nominate and elect an Acting Mayor to assume his position once his resignation takes effect on February 3, 2014 at 11:59:59 p.m. Further, he provided an explanation for his impending resignation.

Councilman Jack announced his hopes for safe and prosperous Polar Bear weekend.

Councilwoman Adams announced the annual meeting for the Neighborhood Alliance at the First United Methodist Church directly followed by the Arbor District's annual meeting on Saturday, January 25.

3. Citizens' Comments and Questions

None

4. General Business

1. Action on the Nomination and Election of a Carbondale City Council Person to Serve as Acting Mayor for the City of Carbondale through the Remainder of the Term ending in April 2015

J. Adams moved, L. Fronabarger seconded, to nominate Councilman Donald Monty to serve as Acting Mayor on February 3 upon the effective time of day for Mayor Fritzler's resignation through the remainder of Mayor Fritzler's term.

C. Harvey and J. Fritzler clarified the effective time and date for the Acting Mayor to assume the position. J. Adams and L. Fronabarger accepted the friendly amendment that the effective date and time of the Acting Mayor's role will begin at midnight on February 4, 2014.

Discussion between L. Jack, J. Fritzler, and City Attorney P. Michael Kimmel revolved around the resignation, taking a voice vote, and whether or not the Mayor was authorized to vote on the motion according to State statutes. J. Adams, L. Fronabarger, L. Jack and J. Fritzler spoke about the method for taking the vote on the motion.

VOTE: Ayes: L. Fronabarger, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, D. Monty, J. Adams and L. Jack. Nays: None. Motion declared carried.

5. Council Comments

Councilman Monty expressed his thanks to the Councilmembers for electing him as Acting Mayor. He indicated that he would be resigning his City Council seat upon assuming the role as Acting Mayor. Mr. Monty distributed a draft of a proposal to fill the vacancy on the Council, asked for input from Councilmembers at a later time, and recommended placing the discussion by Council of procedures and a timetable for filling the vacancy on the agenda. He highlighted a few items from his proposal, particularly the contents that an application for the vacancy should contain.

Councilman Fronabarger queried when the oath would occur and Councilman Monty indicated he would serve as Mayor Pro Tem from midnight, February 4, until he took the Oath of Office later during the day on February 4.

6. Closed Meeting to Discuss the Sale, Purchase, or Lease of Real Property and the Setting of a Price for Sale or Lease of Real Property

L. Jack moved, C. Harvey seconded, that the City Council hold a Closed Meeting to the sale, purchase, or lease of real property and the setting of a price for sale or lease of real property pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) and (c)(6). VOTE: Ayes: L. Fronabarger, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, D. Monty, J. Adams, L. Jack, and J. Fritzler. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. Open session recessed at 8:02 p.m.

C. Harvey moved, J. Bradshaw seconded, to return to open session. VOTE: Ayes: L. Fronabarger, J. Bradshaw, C. Harvey, D. Monty, J. Adams, L. Jack, and J. Fritzler. Nays: None. Motion declared carried. Open session resumed at 9:17 p.m.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Jennifer R. Sorrell, City Clerk

Approved by the City Council on:
