

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 14, 2017

Mayor Frank Dunmire called the Macon City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Clerk Pam Windell, Attorney Mike Antoline, Council members Doug Huggins, Chad Rappe, Kimberly Claussen, Caleb Beasley, Doug McGuire, Brandon Windell. Also present were Charlie Dunmire, Darrick Hulva, Monte Holsapple, Don Koehler, Sue Cole, Gene Alcorn, Deputy Major, and Barb Beasley.

The minutes from the July 10th meeting were amended.

A motion was made by Alderman Rappe, seconded by Alderwoman Claussen to approve amended minutes. Motion carried.

Deputy Major presented the police report.

The delinquent properties were inspected and it was the committee's recommendation to have Attorney Antoline send letters to the property owners that needed immediate attention. There will be an article in the newsletter going out in September that any property that does not correct any ordinance violations such as abandoned cars and unsafe building will start receiving ordinance violation fines starting October 1st.

Alderman Beasley informed the Council that the ordinance on pools and decks is vague and is recommending that the City amend the ordinance with stricter guidelines. Attorney Antoline will work on an ordinance for September's meeting.

There are two businesses displayed on the City's business sign that are no longer in business and need to be removed. The Clerk will talk to Matt Roush about installing a new sign for Krekel's if they are still interested.

Alderman Beasley would like to get information to the Council about the cost of having the City ordinances updated and available electronically. Mayor Dunmire will contact Illinois Codification Services to check on pricing for updating code book and electronic availability.

Darrick informed the Council that the oiling and chipping project has been completed.

Alderwoman Claussen presented the July P & L report. She also informed the Council that the full-time employees had been evaluated and the employees will start having weekly planning meetings with their committee chairs and the Mayor beginning in September. They will be reevaluated in March.

Alderman Huggins will send everyone the plans for parks for the Council to review and recommend any changes at next month's meeting.

Charlie informed the Council that breakers need to be replaced at both parks. The breakers at Walsh park will be replaced. Any work that needs to be done at Memorial will be done when the park and recreation work is done.

Charlie informed the Council that Well #3 located at the water plant is not being used and needs to be abandoned and sealed. Charlie requested three quotes he received two. His recommendation is to have Layne Christenson properly abandon Well #3.

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Windell to hire Layne Christenson to abandon and seal Well #3. Motion carried.

Alderman Beasley informed the Council that Darrick had issued one building permit for a shed.

Attorney Antoline informed the Council that the bids for the Miller Street property would be opened at the September meeting. The bid information will be published in the Herald and Review.

Attorney Antoline informed the Council that the Dunn Street property error would be corrected before the end of August.

Alderman Beasley would like the Miller Street bid information put on the City website. The Clerk will do it before August 25th.

The Mayor informed the Council that the Peoples Bank of Macon would like the City to leave the CDs in their bank. It was the consensus of the Council to leave the CDs in Peoples Bank of Macon as long as interest rates are comparable to other financial institutions.

Treasurer Hulva presented the Treasurer's report.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Rappe to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Windell to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Attorney Antoline will have an ordinance for the new leak adjustment policy next month.

A motion was made by Alderman Windell, seconded by Alderwoman Claussen to adjourn. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Pam Windell, City Clerk