

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 12, 2019

Mayor Frank Dunmire called the Macon City Council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Clerk Pam Windell, Treasurer Lori Huggins, Attorney Scott Garwood. Council Members Doug Huggins, Kimberly Claussen, Chad Rappe, Brandon Windell, and Caleb Beasley. Also, present were Charlie Dunmire, Kevin McCoy, Monte Hogan, Brandon Rarick, Tom Long, Tami Long, Joe Warnick, Katie Warnick, William Nunn, Sharon Nunn, Sue Cole, Richard Zerfowski, and Kyle Janvrin.

The minutes from the July 8th meeting were approved.

Alderman Beasley presented the Council with the zoning board's recommendation to approve a zoning map amendment for the Monte Hogan property located at the intersection of North Wall Street and Rt. 51 from highway business (B-2) to industrial (I-1).

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Windell to approve the request to amend the zoning map from highway business (B-2) to industrial (I-1). Motion carried.

Mayor Dunmire updated the Council on the progress of updating the City's code book. The code book has been amended to have the Mayor Pro-tem appointed by the Mayor to act in his absence. Water rate changes will also be included in the new code book. He also informed the Council that there would be a meeting of the zoning board to deny the installation of shipping containers for permanent storage on residential property.

Kevin Buckley presented the annual audit. The auditor's recommendation is to make journal adjustment entries. Mr. Buckley informed the Council that the attorney is required to receive a 1099.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Windell to approve the authorization of the auditors to make the needed journal entries. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Rappe to accept the annual auditor's report. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood will be checking with Illinois Municipal League on an ordinance for the City to pass banning sales of recreational marijuana. Attorney Garwood will have an ordinance at the next meeting.

Brandon Rarick with A.C.T.S. LLC was present to request maps showing water and sewer lines. His company installs fiber internet. The company has installed internet

services in Moweaqua and Stonington. He will need to obtain an agreement with the City to directional bore on utility easement. The cost to customers will be \$50 a month and no contract required.

Alderman Huggins presented the quotes for the sidewalk on Ruby Street, and Front Street by the bank and in front of the post office. The cost for the sidewalk on Ruby Street is \$24,000.00. The cost for certain sections of sidewalk repair at the bank and the post office is \$22,345.00. After discussing the cost, the Council decided not to install a sidewalk on Ruby Street at this time. The work will be done at the bank and post office.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Beasley to replace sections of the sidewalk at the bank and post office. Motion carried.

Alderman Huggins informed the Council that the basketball hoops at the new park had been raised to 10 ft. and will no longer be adjustable.

Alderman Windell informed the Council that Water Supt. Charlie Dunmire had the pumps replaced at the lift station on Wiles Street. Charlie informed the Council that he has the part to repair the water softener. The state did an inspection of the Sanitary Plant on Tuesday August 6th, they will send their report to the City. The Boody water tower was cleaned today.

Mayor Dunmire presented a water rate study that recommended an increase for water rates and to setup a savings account for future water reading system replacement by assessing each customer \$1.00 per month for a meter charge. Mayor Dunmire also recommended raising the water deposit for new customers from \$50 to \$100.00.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to increase water rates. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderwoman Claussen to increase the water deposit from \$50 to \$100. Motion carried.

William Nunn lives less than a mile outside the City of Macon and would like to have City water run to his house and possibly two more homes near him. It was the consensus of the Council to pay some of the cost Mr. Nunn would accrue in having a water line installed to his property.

A motion was made by Alderwoman Claussen, seconded by Alderman Huggins to pay some of the cost of running a water line to Mr. Nunn's property. Motion carried.

Alderwoman Claussen presented the profit and loss reports.

Alderman Beasley informed the Council that letters had been sent to four of the zoning board members whose terms had expired. They have until the 27th of August to let the Clerk know if they want to be reappointed to the zoning board.

Alderman Rappe informed the Council that there is interest in building a 10-unit senior housing in Macon. The Mayor will be talking to the Developer and have more information in the future.

Mayor Dunmire informed the Council that Mr. Stade has property near route 51 in TIF II. He does not want to be in the TIF district. Keith Moran will do the necessary paperwork to have the parcel removed from the TIF district.

A motion was made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Rappe to authorize Keith Moran to remove the parcel from the TIF district. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood presented Ordinance No. 20190812-01, an Ordinance approving the request for a zoning map amendment from highway business (B-2) to industrial (I-1) of the City of Macon zoning code for the properties having tax identification number of 16-16-28-352-010, 16-16-28-352-001 and 16-16-28-352-009 located within the corporate limits of the City.

A motion was made by Alderman Beasley, seconded by Alderman Huggins to approve Ordinance No. 20190812-01. Motion carried.

Attorney Garwood reported that there are only two people who have not paid for disposal service. The Macon County Sheriff's deputy will serve them with notices to appear in court. Scott informed the Council that the mortgage company that holds the deed to the property on Front Street will be releasing the deed. The property on West Glenn should be deemed abandoned. Scott informed the Council that twice a year the closed session minutes need to be reviewed. He would like to do this in September and December this year and then June and December next year.

The Clerk informed the Council that the newsletter should be out by Friday August 16th. She also informed the Council that the community rummage sales would be October 3 -5. Cleanup day will be October 5th from 8 a.m. until noon.

Treasurer Huggins presented the Treasurer's report.

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

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Windell