



City Council Meeting Summary July 17th 2017

0- Concerns on Waste Management Invoice

Alderman Brian Daw started a discussion that the final invoice from Waste Management was of concern. It was discussed that WM did not pick up Millennium's trash receptacles and caused multiple issues in their final week of service. The issues led to a great deal of confusion among residents and required a lot of clean-up. Council decided to hold the invoice until further investigation can be made by City staff and the City attorney.

1- MFD June Report

Chief Rexroat discussed the fact that the FD had numerous calls this month. He also talked about the responses to the Wataga fire with the department tower and also the movement of the portable decon unit to Oquawka. Chief Rexroat also noted that there were no calls over the 4th of the July. The foreign fire fund also purchased an entry training aid which will allow them to practice forced entry. Firefighters were also present at an OSF sponsored Kids health safety day where they discussed various techniques for fire evacuation, etc. Ladder testing was done last month and one minor repair was performed.

2- MPD June Report

Chief Switzer thanked Council, Mayor and the City Administrator for their faith in his appointment as Chief. Switzer stated that he looks forward to moving the department forward. He also discussed that Officer Kramer has completed his FTO training and is currently working with new hire Officer Williams. It was discussed that the police department will begin to put more information out via social media (Twitter & Facebook) and will also be more involved in community events.

3- MACC New Executive Director

Amy Patterson was recently appointed as the new Chamber Of Commerce Director. Patterson expressed her enthusiasm for working with the City on different special programs and with the local businesses. Council thanked Patterson for her presentation and said they look forward to working with her.

4- Great Pumpkin Color Run

Council discussed the application for a color run throughout town. A motion was tabled until further information could be obtained.

5- Ride For Ryder Bike Ride

Chris Gavin, President & CEO for Midwest Bank presented plans for a fundraiser bike ride on July 29th. Gavin talked about the ride benefitting Ryder Armstrong, the son of Ryan Armstrong. The ride will be mostly out of town but there will be refreshments along the route. Council made a motion for approval and was approved unanimously.

6- 2nd Reading for additional liquor license

A second reading was done on the proposed liquor license addition. The liquor license was requested for the Maple City Restaurant so they could provide drinks to their evening clientele. A motion was made for approval and approved.

7- Zoning Clarifications for Monmouth College

A motion was made to approve the zoning clarifications that were discussed at the last council meeting. The clarifications tidy up conflicting information within city documents. A motion was made for approval and was approved.

8- Façade Grant approval

Director Woodward talked about the façade grant application for Flowers R Us. \$3,020 is the project cost with a City contribution of \$1,510. This would be a fabric awning for the front of the building with a metal frame. Woodward stated that the grant was recommended for approval by the Façade Grant Committee. A motion was made for approval and approved unanimously.

9- Grace Bible Street Closure

Gary Robertson discussed with council the request for road closure. It was stated that there was only one resident in the area and that is the church pastor. The event being held is an outreach event on August 12th. A motion for approval was made and passed unanimously.

10- Executive Session to discuss possible sale of real estate

Council met in executive session, no action was taken upon return to regular session.