

**MINUTES OF THE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2023**

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Smith at 7:30 p.m.
2. The following Aldermen were present: Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter, Kyle Buettner and Heller.
Absent: Row
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Tom Smith.
4. Correction or Withdrawal of Agenda Items by Sponsor.
Mayor Smith requested that Agenda Item 12F be withdrawn
Motion made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Hopkins to withdraw item 12F from the agenda as an Executive Session is not needed this evening.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter and Kyle Buettner voting 'yea'.
5. Approval of Minutes as Written or Amended.
Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes dated 01-06-23. Motion made by Alderman Darter and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes from 01-06-23. Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Darter, Kyle Buettner, Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins and Trantham voting 'yea'.
6. Petitions by Citizens on Non-Agenda Items. None.
7. Reports and Communications from the Mayor and other City Officers.
 - A. Report of Collector.
The report is in the packet.
Motion to accept the Collection Report was made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Hopkins.
Comments: Alderman Hopkins mentioned that the City has reached a record high in video gaming revenue.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter and Kyle Buettner voting 'yea'.
 - B. Report of Treasurer.
The report is in the packet.
Motion to accept the Collection Report was made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Darter.
Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter and Kyle Buettner voting 'yea'.
 - C. Report of Subdivision and Zoning Administrator.
The report is in the packet.
 - D. Report of Building Inspector / Code Administrator.
The report is in the packet.
 - E. Report of Director of Public Works. No report.
 - F. Report of Deputy Chief of Police. No report.
 - G. Report of City Attorney. No report.
 - H. Report and Communication by Mayor.
Phase 7 of the Moore Street Project has been moved up a year. The project will go out to bid in June 2023.
8. Report of Standing Committees. None.

9. Report of Special Committees. None.
10. Presentation of Communications, Petitions, Resolutions, Orders and Ordinances by Aldermen. None.
11. Unfinished Business. None.
12. Miscellaneous Business.
 - A. Consideration and Action on Approval of the Purchase of Amplifier and Speakers for Downtown Speaker System to Expand Reach of Covered Area at a Cost of \$5,087.36 to be Paid from Gambling Proceeds.

Motion made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve the Purchase of an Amplifier and Speakers for Downtown Speaker System to Expand Reach of Covered Area at a Cost of \$5,087.36 to be Paid from Gambling Proceeds.

Comments: This will install a system in City Hall that can be used by the Municipal Band and allow the City to play music during events such as Witches Night Out. The system also allows the selection of zoned areas (directional sound).

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Kyle Buettner, Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham and Darter voting ‘yea’.
 - B. Consideration and Action on Approval of Sharing the Cost of KSHE Real Rock Remote Appearance at the Firebird Fest on May 20, 2023 in the Amount of \$1,550.00 (of \$3,100.00 total cost) to be Paid out of the Hotel / Motel Tax Fund.

Motion made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Hopkins on Approval of Sharing the Cost of KSHE Real Rock Remote Appearance at the Firebird Fest on May 20, 2023 in the Amount of \$1,550.00 (of \$3,100.00 total cost) to be Paid out of the Hotel / Motel Tax Fund.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter and Kyle Buettner voting ‘yea’.
 - C. Consideration and Action on Fair Solar Credit Rate of \$0.0995 for the Period of March 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024.

Motion made by Alderman Heller and seconded by Alderman Hopkins to approve the Fair Solar Credit Rate of \$0.0995 for the Period of March 1, 2023 through February 29, 2024.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins, Trantham, Darter and Kyle Buettner voting ‘yea’.
 - D. Consideration and Action on Waiver of Building Permit & Inspection Fees in the Amount of \$836.30 for the Construction of a Goat Barn at the Monroe County Fairgrounds.

Motion made by Alderman Hopkins and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner to approve the Waiver of Building Permit & Inspection Fees in the Amount of \$836.30 for the Construction of a Goat Barn at the Monroe County Fairgrounds.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Hopkins, Trantham, Darter, Kyle Buettner, Heller and Matt Buettner voting ‘yea’.
 - E. Consideration and Action on Approval of Don Anderson Co. Inc., Illini Road Oil LLC, Christ Brothers Asphalt Inc., Roger’s Redi-Mix Inc., and Columbia Quarry Co. as low bidders for the Fiscal Year 2023 MFT Bid Opening as held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.; and, Signing of the Acceptance of Proposals.

Motion made by Alderman Darter and seconded by Alderman Hopkins on Approval of Don Anderson Co. Inc., Illini Road Oil LLC, Christ Brothers Asphalt Inc., Roger’s Redi-Mix Inc., and Columbia Quarry Co. as low bidders for the Fiscal Year 2023 MFT Bid Opening as held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023 at 1:30 p.m.; and, Signing of the Acceptance of Proposals.

Motion passed unanimously with Aldermen Darter, Kyle Buettner, Heller, Matt Buettner, Hopkins and Trantham voting ‘yea’.

- F. Consideration and Action on Executive Session for the Discussion of Personnel as Provided for by 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

Item was withdrawn from the agenda.

13. Discussion of Matters by Council Members Arising After Agenda Deadline. None.

14. Motion to Adjourn made by Alderman Kyle Buettner and seconded by Alderman Matt Buettner. Motion passed with a unanimous voice vote. Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

**Mechelle Childers,
City Clerk**