

STATE OF ILLINOIS)  
COUNTY OF CARROLL)SS.  
CITY OF LANARK)

September 16, 2008

Lanark City Council met in regular session at City Hall. Alderman Lawrence Derrer, Alderman John Huggins, Alderman Mark Macomber, Alderman Jeri Beverley and Mayor Kevin Barnes were present. Alderman Ken Weaver and Alderman Ron Strohecker were absent.

Also present were Ed Mitchell, Les Guenzler and Chief Page.

Mayor Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

**Motion** made by Alderman Beverley, seconded by Alderman Macomber to accept the minutes of the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Derrer to accept and pay the bills from September 2<sup>nd</sup> to present. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Motion** made by Alderman Beverley, seconded by Alderman Macomber to accept the Treasurer's Reports for August as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

MSA Professional Services submitted a project update (copy on file). No one was present from MSA.

Consider on line ordinances – Alderman Huggins reported he talked with Sterling Codifiers. Alderman Huggins thinks we need to have one hard copy in city hall. We will be charged \$21 per page for updates. We get one official hard copy. Mitchell thinks we are currently getting \$21 per page for all books. Mitchell suggested just downloading. Alderman Huggins explained we can only download one section at a time. Annual maintenance fee is \$500. Mitchell would like clarification – \$21 per page for one book – can't be much more for all books. Alderman Huggins will check into.

Public Hearing for water bills – Since no one was present, Council instructed the Clerk to proceed to the next step in collection. Alderman Huggins announced when we started the Southside Utilities Project, he neglected to make a motion to waive water and sewer fees for the Peughs due to low pressure and tearing up lawn. **Motion** made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Beverley to waive June, July and August water and sewer fees plus late fee. Voice vote showed two ayes and two nays. Mayor Barnes voted nay to break the tie. Motion was defeated.

One building permit was presented. Darreld Mercure is requesting a permit to put up a utility shed in his back yard. The shed is 11'X11' and is within the setback requirements. **Motion** made by Alderman Macomber, seconded by Alderman Beverley to approve permit as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

Consider resolution for Carroll County Comprehensive Plan – Alderman Huggins reminded everyone he had emailed copies for everyone's review. Alderman Beverley inquired what Huggins was looking for. Alderman Huggins reported only name on documentation nothing monetary. **Motion** made by Alderman Macomber, seconded by Alderman Derrer to approve resolution in support of Carroll County Comprehensive Plan. Roll call: Alderman Macomber-aye, Alderman Derrer-aye, Alderman Huggins-aye and Alderman Beverley-aye. Motion carried.

## **Committees**

Water & Sewer – no report.

Street and Property – As requested, Conrad Aschenbrenner submitted a quote of \$174.00 to paint the front of city hall. **Motion** made by Alderman Macomber, seconded by Alderman Beverley to approve painting of city hall. All ayes. Motion carried.

Purchasing and Finance – no report.

Police – no report.

Personnel – no report.

Economic Development – Alderman Huggins reported he is still contacting people for committee for Mediacom franchise contract. Metco leased the land for the wind monitoring for \$1,000. The Clerk reported member of the Cemetery Board questioned if they get the money. All seemed to agree the Cemetery Board would get the rent money. Alderman Macomber questioned if the farm lease is up. The Clerk reported it is up February 2009 but we do the bidding in this fall. Mitchell will have a draft of the contract for the next meeting. Last time, the bids were due on November 19<sup>th</sup>. All seemed to agree to get moving on the bidding.

Ordinance – no report. Alderman Macomber inquired about the slow moving vehicle ordinance. It was agreed to put this on the next agenda. Mayor Barnes questioned if we did anything about Rausch's furnace. Alderman Huggins reported nothing unless a complaint is received.

Planning – Alderman Beverley reported need to push on roof project for 111 S. Broad. Alderman Macomber will call contractor. Alderman Beverley the Library Board will have more information after October.

Ed Mitchell passed out information on 105% resolution. If we go over the 105%, we will need to have a black box hearing. Mitchell reported receiving a letter from Brinkmeier. New software was purchased by County. After some discussion, all agreed to stay under the 105%. Mitchell suggested \$208,100. **Motion** made by Alderman Macomber, seconded by Alderman Beverley to accept resolution for \$208,100. Roll call: Alderman Macomber-aye, Alderman Beverley-aye, Alderman Huggins-aye and Alderman Derrer-aye. Motion carried. Mitchell inquired if the sewer line to Brother's was old. Guenzler reported Brother's did not put in. Guenzler thought probably before the 1960's.

Les Guenzler, Maintenance Supervisor submitted written report. Guenzler reported the no parking was marked out in front of city hall today. Mayor Barnes questioned the change in stop signs at alley – Deacon Brown. Chief Page announced it is easier to see east and west – traffic safety.

Chief Page announced all the pamphlets were delivered.

Alderman Derrer, Alderman Macomber and Alderman Beverley did not have any additional business.

Alderman Huggins received complaint about Lundy property. Chief Page reported he contacted Kane two weeks ago. Mitchell reported the lien is before the foreclosure so it should be okay. All seemed to agree for the City to mow.

The Clerk reported the receipt of property tax for TIF District. She questioned if she should transfer these funds to the General Fund. Alderman Huggins instructed her to transfer as we are still reimbursing the General Fund for our expenses. The Clerk announced one of Bauer/Brown's neighbors told her the sidewalk was repaired. However, no rock or rebar was used. Alderman Macomber confirmed this report. The Clerk reported a copy of the specs was sent with the letter to Bauer/Brown as instructed by the Council. The specs call for rebar. Council discussed what to do – do we tear up newly laid concrete just to prove this? Several seemed to agree to wait until problems begin (probably in the spring) before doing anything.

Mayor Barnes did not have any additional business this evening.

**Motion** made by Alderman Huggins, seconded by Alderman Macomber to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 PM.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Jackie Hawbecker, City Clerk*