

**Murphysboro City Council Meeting  
December 11, 2012**

The Murphysboro, Illinois, City Council met in regular session, pursuant to its ordinances, on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2012. Mayor Pro Tem Ardrey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and Pastor Jerry Hickam led the council in prayer. Following the invocation, Mayor Pro Tem Ardrey led the council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Mayor Pro Tem Ardrey then directed City Clerk Cottonaro to call the roll. The roll was called with the following

**Present:** Barbara Hughes, Bill Pierson, Mike Bastien, Danny Bratton, Sandra Bullar, Gary McComb

**Absent:** Mark Costa, Russell Brown

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the November 13, 2012 council meeting. All aldermen received a copy of the minutes, for their review, prior to the meeting.**

Motion by Alderman Bullar

Second by Alderman McComb

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

**Motion: To approve the minutes of the November 26, 2012 special council meeting. All aldermen received a copy of the minutes, for their review, prior to the meeting.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton

Second by Alderman Bullar

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

**Motion: To approve the accounts payable, register #477 & #478 through December 7, 2012, accounts receivable through December 7, 2012 and payroll through December 7, 2012. All aldermen received a copy of the accounts payable, accounts receivable and payroll for their review, prior to the meeting.**

Motion by Alderman Bastien

Second by Alderman Bratton

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

## REQUESTS FROM THE FLOOR

Anthony Mainer of 508 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street complained about two pit bulls in his yard and running loose in the neighborhood. They have gotten out several times and been reported. He would like something done. One of their pit bulls was deemed vicious and was removed from the home, but there are still two dogs at the home.

Jeff Haarmann of AGE spoke briefly to the council regarding aggregation energy.

## COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting of December 3, 2012.

**Motion: To approve accounts payable register #473, #475, and #476 through November 30, 2012.**

Motion by Alderman McComb Second by Alderman Bratton

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried.**

**Motion: To approve the purchase of a lettering machine in the amount of \$3400.55, with the city paying \$1700 of the cost.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton Second by Alderman Bullar

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried.**

Alderman Ardrey read the minutes of the Budget & Finance Committee meeting of December 6, 2012.

**Motion: To approve to put the FY 13 budget on display on Friday the December 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton Second by Alderman Hughes

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried.**

Alderman Pierson read the minutes of the Public Works Committee meeting of December 3, 2012.

**Motion: To approve the 2013 IDOT Resolution for Maintenance of Streets and Highways in the amount of \$190,000.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton Second by Alderman Bullar

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried.**

Alderman Bullar read the minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting of December 3, 2012.

**Motion: To approve the open burning ordinance as presented with the additional changes.**

Motion by Alderman Hughes   Seconded by Alderman Bullar  
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

**Motion: To approve changing the minimum city ordinance fines to \$250.00.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton   Seconded by Alderman Bullar  
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

Alderman Bastien read the minutes of the Public Improvement Committee meeting of October 22, 2012.

**Motion: To approve the purchase of property at 613 Chestnut Street and 205 South 3<sup>rd</sup> Street for approximately \$700 each.**

Motion by Alderman McComb   Second by Alderman Hughes  
Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried.**

Alderman Hughes read the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of October 22, 2012.

No action taken.

Alderman Bratton read the minutes of the Building and Grounds meeting of October 22, 2012.

No action taken.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Pro Tem Ardrey discussed and announced the following:

There will be a public hearing on December 19<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m. to review the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Budget and a special city council meeting following at 5:30 p.m. to approve the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Budget. Standing committee meetings will follow this meeting.

**ALDERMEN ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS**

Barbara Hughes                         412 S. 15<sup>th</sup> Street had had 6 mattresses in the front of their house for several weeks now plus trash. The house is vacated and she doesn't know the owner. Also a red pickup truck has been parked on the street for over a month.

Bill Pierson                                 Nothing

Mike Bastien            Nothing  
Danny Bratton           Nothing  
Sandi Bullar            Nothing.  
Gary McComb           .

<b>DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS</b>
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Jeff Bock                No  
Ed Heller                No  
Eric Kennedy            No  
Brian Manwaring       No  
Sandra Ripley          No  
Steven Swafford        Bock and Richard have talked to our favorite trimmer

**Motion: To go into executive session at 7:25 pm to discuss matters related to 5ILCS 120/2(c)(2) regarding collective negotiating matters and the contract proposal between the city and its employees or their representatives.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton	Seconded by Alderman Bullar
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Yeas: Mike Bastien, Dan Bratton, Sandi Bullar, Barb Hughes, Gary McComb, Bill Pierson  
Nays: None  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion: To come out of executive session at 8:15 pm.**

Motion by Alderman Bratton	Seconded by Alderman Bastien
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Yeas: Mike Bastien, Dan Bratton, Sandi Bullar, Barb Hughes, Gary McComb, Bill Pierson  
Nays: None  
**Motion Carried**

**Motion: To go into regular session at 8:15 pm.**

Motion by Alderman Hughes	Seconded by Alderman Bratton
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Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.  
**Motion Carried.**

No action taken

**Motion: To adjourn**

Motion by Alderman Bratton

Second by Alderman Hughes

Mayor called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

**Motion Carried**

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.