

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a special meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on November 20, 2009.

Mayor David W. Cline presided and called the meeting to order at 8:39 a.m.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Randy Ervin, YEA Commissioner Tim Gover, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Commissioner Chris Rankin, YEA Mayor David Cline.

Also physically present were City personnel: Interim City Administrator John Kolata, City Attorney & Treasurer J. Preston Owen, Fire Chief Tony Nichols, Police Chief David Griffith, Deputy Police Chief Jeff Branson, Technology Coordinator Brian Johanpeter, Public Works Director David Wortman, Parks Superintendent Kurt Stretch, Community Development Coordinator Kyle Gill, Waste Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Rick Pinnell, Tourism Director Angelia Burgett (9:09 a.m.) and City Clerk Susan J. O'Brien. Representatives from the collective bargaining units were Bart Owen, Jeff Hilligoss, Kenny Clatfelter, and Don Sweeney.

Attorney & Treasurer Owen presented the current finances including General Fund Revenues and cash position, and expenditures. Council with input from the City Staff discussed commercial tax assessments, waste hauling contracts, and comprehensive plan with visioning session.

Mayor Cline seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to recess to closed session at 9:44 a.m. pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of considering the employment, performance or dismissal of employees of the municipality (5 ILCS 120(2)(c)(1)).

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

Council reconvened at 10:27 a.m. Attendees provided suggestions to further reduce expenditures or raise revenues. Attorney & Treasurer Owen would compile the suggestions and provide potential savings in the near future.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Rankin moved to adjourn at 11:02 a.m.

Mayor Cline declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Ervin, YEA Commissioner Gover, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Commissioner Rankin, YEA Mayor Cline.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien
City Clerk