

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 6:00 P.M.

Aldermen Present: Greg Smith, Mark Greening, Roch Buckman, Michael Purol and Tyler Wheeler

Aldermen Absent: Gary Thompson

Others Present: John Albright, Isaac Miller, Josh Reynolds Marcia Watson, Michael Mudd, Michael Williams, Rich Enochs, Chuck Mudd, Phillip Potterfield, Billy Joe Gill and Kevin O'Bryan

Mayor Minor called the meeting to order.

Mayor Minor asked everyone to stand and recite the pledge of allegiance.

The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Alderman Purol; a second by Alderman Smith, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor opened the floor for open forum.

Chuck Mudd said that he is opposed to putting stop signs on County Line Road at Williams Drive and Lawn Street. County Line Road is a bypass for traffic and it would create an obstacle for trucks if stop signs were put up on this street. Phillip Potterfield said that County Line Road is next to the industrial parks and is a throughway for trucks so that they do not have to go through the downtown area. Having stop signs on this street would cause problems for them. Alderman Purol said that County Line Road is also in a residential area with a City owned park at its intersection with Lawn Street. There are no sidewalks in this area and no place to park. Trucks can bypass most of County Line Road by using the highways that were built to handle truck traffic. County Line Road was not built to industrial standards. Billy Joe Gill said that he lives close to the park on Lawn Street and very seldom sees any children playing in it. Alderman Buckman said that he received two phone calls opposing putting stop signs on County Line Road. Chuck Mudd recommended that a crosswalk to the park be painted on County Line Road and that flashing lights be installed to warn motorists that this is a pedestrian crossing. Mayor Minor said that Jackie Pangborn included in the Aldermen's packet information about stop signs from MoDOT. Cities have the authority concerning installing stop signs on their streets. Stop signs should not be used to control speed and should not be put up on high volume roads where they intersect with low volume roads. After further discussion, Alderman Buckman motioned to rescind the decision to put up stop signs on County Line Road at Williams Drive and Lawn Street for the present time and in the interim paint a cross walk on County Line Road at Williams Drive and Lawn Street and put up some "Children Playing" signs and have the Mark Twain Council of Governments do a traffic survey on County Line Road in this area, Alderman Greening seconded it, with all in favor.

Isaac Miller and Josh Reynolds of Architechnics presented drawings and estimates for replacing the HVAC system at City Hall. The estimated cost for this project is between \$365,000 and \$375,000. They also presented their roof assessment of the old portion of the City Hall Building. The roof has an EPDM roofing material that is nearing the end of its useful life. The drains in the roof were not properly installed. There are several soft spots in the roof. The estimated cost for re-roofing the original building at City Hall and miscellaneous repairs is estimated at \$59,671.50. This includes roofing material that is higher quality than the existing material and has a longer life. The cost for the roof hatch and ladder is approximately \$2,500.00. The City will have to designate where they want to put the roof hatch and ladder. After discussion, Alderman Smith motioned to approve soliciting bids for an HVAC system for the City Hall/Library Complex and re-roofing the original building and installing the roof hatch and ladder, both separately and together; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor. Isaac Miller said that the bids will be ready for review by the Board of Aldermen at the second meeting in February.

Kevin O'Bryan presented the Director of Public Works' report to the Board of Aldermen. He said that both Blake Rodgers and Terron Ritter have passed their first year of lineman training. As per the agreement when both were hired, they are to receive a \$.50 per hour raise for this accomplishment. Alderman Greening motioned to grant Blake Rodgers and Terron Ritter a \$.50 per hour increase beginning with the next pay period; Alderman Smith seconded it, with all in favor.

Rich Enochs requested permission for the Fire Department to have their annual Christmas Dinner at the Nutrition Center on January 14, 2017. Alderman Greening motioned to grant this permission; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

John Albright requested an additional five advanced authentication licenses and tokens from Information Technologies for the Police Department. The cost for the annual subscription for the licenses is \$405.00. The cost for the tokens is a one-time fee of \$275.00. After discussion, Alderman Smith motioned to approve purchasing the 5 additional licenses for \$405.00 per year and the 5 tokens for \$275.00; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

Gary Osbourne presented the proposal from Information Technologies for the Court program. The cost is a onetime charge of \$2,720.00 for the program, installation and training. The cost for the license and installation on one work station is \$288.00 per month. The total due with order which includes 12 months of service is \$6,176.00. Funds have been appropriated in this budget for this purchase. Alderman Wheeler motioned to purchase this court program from Information Technologies and to remit payment of \$6,176.00 with the order; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

At the last meeting the Board determined that the bids received for removing the multi-floral rose from Route J Reservoir were too high. However they never formally rejected the bids. Alderman Buckman motioned to reject the bids for removing the multi-floral rose from Route J Reservoir; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

The Board of Aldermen reviewed an agreement with Crocket Geotechnical-Testing Lab for doing the Geotech borings on the Browning Industrial Park – 55.2 acres and the Ralls County Industrial Park – 130 acres at a cost of \$6,900.00 for both tracts. Alderman Buckman motioned to authorize the Mayor to enter into this agreement on behalf of the City; Alderman Smith seconded it, with all in favor. The Board of Aldermen reviewed an agreement with Terracon for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the Browning Industrial Park – 55.2 acres for \$1,650.00. Alderman Buckman motioned to authorize the Mayor to enter into the agreement with Terracon to do the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the Browning Industrial Park – 55.2 acres; Alderman Brown seconded it, with all in favor. The Board of Aldermen reviewed an agreement with Terracon for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment of the Ralls County Industrial Park – 130 acres for \$1,750.00. Alderman Buckman motioned to authorize the Mayor to enter into an agreement with Terracon to do the Phase I Environmental Site Assessment for the Ralls County Industrial Park – 130 acres for \$1,750.00; Alderman Smith seconded it, with all in favor.

Michael Williams said that the revised purchasing ordinance will be ready by the next Board of Alderman meeting.

Neal Minor said that an economic development meeting was held earlier in the week. Corey Mehaffey and a representative of MoDOT were at this meeting. MoDOT said that the City has a three way intersection at Second Street, County Line Road and Highway 24 & 36. There is another intersection just to the east at Highway 24 & 36 and Route Z. MoDOT wants to change these intersections, but has no funding to do so. Mayor Minor said that possibly at the end of 2017, the .5% sales tax for converting Highway to 4 lanes will be paid off and the tax could drop off. He asked the Board to give consideration to forming a TDD for Monroe City and continuing the tax. MoDOT has low interest loans available. They would loan the City funds to upgrading their streets if they knew the City had the sales tax money earmarked for paying back the loan.

Alderman Smith motioned to adjourn the open session and go into executive session authorized by RSMO 610.021 (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees; Alderman Buckman seconded it, with the vote as follows:

Greg Smith	Yea	Michael Purol	Yea
Mark Greening	Yea	Tyler Wheeler.....	Yea
Roch Buckman.....	Yea	Gary Thompson	Absent

After the adjournment of the executive session, the open session was reconvened.

Alderman Purol motioned to ratify the decisions made in executive session to grant the year-end bonuses for all full time employees, \$.34 per hour COLA increases for all full time employees and to give Austin Snow, Travis Pugh, Chris Walotka, Raymond Purol, Bill Elliott, Joyce Vioria, Shirley Arch and Jackie Pangborn \$.30 per hour increase and T.J. Stephenson a \$.60 per hour increase effective with the next pay period; Alderman Smith seconded it, with all in favor.

Alderman Buckman motioned to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Purol seconded it, with all in favor.

Neal Minor, Mayor

Gary Osbourne, City Clerk