

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

Aldermen Present: Connie Painter, Marvin Vloria, Jason Osbourne, Jeremy Moss, John Long, and Gary Thompson

Others Present: Neal Minor, Tyler Wheeler, Richard Daggett, Rachel Martin, Linda Greening, Ralph Lemongelli, Robert Dowell, Travis Pugh, Damon Vuch, Mark Ledford, Mandi Kindhart, Chandra Beaver

Mayor Minor called the meeting to order.

Mayor Minor asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Consent Agenda was reviewed and approved on a motion by Alderman Moss; a second by Alderman Osbourne, with all in favor.

Mayor Minor opened the floor to open forum.

A representative from the Mark Twain Regional Council of Governments was present. The council provides various professional services to communities such as grant programs. One available grant is for areas designated as storm shelters to receive generators. Another program is a revolving loan fund that businesses can apply for whether an existing business looking to expand or a new business starting out. She will be sending us some flyers.

Damon Vuch brought up complaints by some of his tenants about the length of time on this month's utility bill. The meters were read a few days early due to the Christmas holiday. He suggested "the department heads and city administrator should figure out when to read meters so there aren't extra days on the bill." Neal mentioned that currently the city rates that we charge are based on a 3-month average, but the city clerk will be looking at what the difference would be if this were to be changed to a 12-month average. This will be discussed at a later meeting.

Alderman Thompson gave the Public Works report. Most departments are doing maintenance work, and we are still waiting on the new backhoe. It should be in around the first of March.

The Board of Aldermen reviewed the following bids for mowing City property for 2018, 2019 & 2020:

<u>Area</u>	<u>Elite</u>	<u>Kendrick's</u>	<u>Wink's</u>	<u>Ledford Crane</u>
Parks – Season Bid	\$25,000.00	\$21,500.00	No Bid	\$18,000.00
Lakes – Season Bid	\$13,300.00	\$15,000.00	\$21,600.00	\$12,000.00
Cemetery – Per Time Mowed	\$ 950.00	\$1,400.00	No bid	\$ 850.00

The Board discussed the importance of keeping up the cemetery, parks and lakes. After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Thompson motioned to accept the bids from Elite Lawn Care to mow the Cemetery for \$950.00 per time mowed; Alderman Painter seconded it, with all in favor. Alderman Painter motioned to accept the bid from Kendrick's Lawn Care in the amount of \$21,500.00 per season to mow the City parks; Alderman Moss seconded it with all in favor. Alderman Painter motioned to accept the bid from Elite Lawn Care in the amount of \$13,300.00 per season to mow the lakes; Alderman Osbourne seconded it, with all in favor.

Alderman Painter presented the Public Safety report. Chief Wheeler asked the council to approve awarding the bids for the sale of the three police cars to the highest bidder.

**Bids For Car #1 – 2014 Ford Taurus Police Sedan AWD Minimum Bid \$1,750**

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Highway 36 Auto Sales LLC	\$ 2,095.10	
Thomas Pugh	\$ 2,500.00	
Jack Kunce	\$ 3,000.00	If it is 8820 (VIN)
Jamie & Jennifer Karr	\$ 2,511.00	
Ethan Lehenbauer	\$ 3,659.00	
Janet Thompson	\$ 3,126.00	
Porter Auto Sales	\$ 1,836.00	

**Bids For Car #2 - 2014 Ford Taurus Police Sedan AWD Minimum Bid \$1,750**

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Highway 36 Auto Sales LLC	\$ 2,060.10	
Jack Kunce	\$ 1,750.00	If it is 8821 (VIN)
Jamie & Jennifer Karr	\$ 1,901.00	
Janet Thompson	\$ 2,626.00	
Alexis Hardwick	\$ 2,250.00	
Porter Auto Sales	\$1,836.00	

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bids For Car #3 – Dodge Charger Sedan No Minimum Bid</u> <u>Amount</u>
Ken Curtis, Stoutsville	\$ 800.00
Michaela Gottman	\$ 1,001.99
Bill Thorndyke	\$ 1,610.00
Damon Vuch	\$ 855.00
Jim Berry	\$ 515.00
Midwest Custom Trucks	\$ 750.00
Porter Auto Sales	\$ 1,336.00
John G Mack	\$ 1,226.00
Devin DeCamp	\$ 505.00

Alderman Osbourne motioned to accept the bid from Ethan Lehenbauer to purchase car #1 for \$3,659, Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor. Alderman Painter motioned to accept the bid from Janet Thompson to purchase car #2 for \$2,626, Alderman Osbourne seconded, with all in favor except Alderman Thompson abstaining. Alderman Long motioned to accept the bid from Bill Thorndyke to purchase car #3 for \$1,610, Alderman Osbourne seconded, with all in favor.

Chief Wheeler asked for approval to solicit bids for landscaping around the police department. He will make the bid specs. Alderman Painter motioned to approve soliciting bids for landscaping at the police department, Alderman Moss seconded, with all in favor.

Chief Wheeler stated new guttering for the police department is currently budgeted, but the recent rains have brought up new issues with the roof. He will be having someone come look at the roof to see what the issues are before going any further.

Chief Wheeler also discussed that he is looking into a School Resource Officer. In light of recent events throughout the country, he would rather be proactive than reactive when it comes to dealing with issues. This will also be brought up to the school board. An officer will be attending training for this in June. Alderman Long also brought up an Active Shooter Seminar from FEMA that will be taking place in Columbia and Farmington. He thinks this would be good for teachers to attend as well as business people and church leaders.

Fire Chief Rich Enochs has requested permission to purchase the fireworks for this year's display. Alderman Thompson approved the purchase of these fireworks in the amount of \$4,653.91 from Aerial FX, Inc, Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor.

Alderman Moss gave the Administration Report. The airport fuel system is up and running but a printer was not included in the bid. This is a necessary item and will cost \$1,524 plus \$300 for installation. Since the project went under budget there is money left over to pay for this printer. Alderman Long motioned to approve the purchase of the printer for the Airport fuel system at the cost of \$1,824, Alderman Painter seconded, with all in favor.

A request was made for the following accounts be written off as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and referred to the City's Collection agency:

Harris, Nicole	110 Court St, Apt C	\$303.26
Rosser, Tracey	12 Gtwy Sq Dr #18	\$144.51

Alderman Moss motioned to write off these account as uncollectible for accounting purposes only and to refer them to the City's Collection Agency; Alderman Thompson seconded it, with all in favor except Aldermen Painter and Alderman Osbourne. Motion carried 4-2.

Alderman Osbourne gave a nuisance committee report. A request has been made by Chief Wheeler to have a meeting. This is scheduled for February 28, 2018 at 5:00pm.

Alderman Moss motioned to go into executive session as authorized by RSMO 610.021 (1) legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys and RSMO 610.021 (3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of particular employees, Alderman Long seconded it with a vote as follows:

Connie Painter .....	Yea	Jeremy Moss .....	Yea
Marvin Viloría .....	Yea	John Long .....	Yea
Jason Osbourne .....	Yea	Gary Thompson .....	Yea

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

There being no additional information to discuss, Alderman Moss motioned to adjourn the meeting, Alderman Long seconded it with all in favor.

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Neal Minor, Mayor

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Christine Ellison, City Clerk