

August 9, 2018

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session at 6:00 p.m.

Aldermen Present: Connie Painter, Marvin Vilorio, Jason Osbourne, Dane Foster, Melissa Hays

Alderman Absent: Jeremy Moss

Others Present: John Long, Michael Williams, Jerry Potterfield, Ralph Lemongelli, Matthew Greening, Ronald Krigbaum, Mandi Kindhart, Zach James, Kevin O'Bryan, Russell Inlow, Mark Greening, Terry Gibbs, Marcia Watson, Gary McElroy, Brad Pfanner, Robert Dowell, Keith Ganaway, Forrest Gossett, unknown man

Mayor Long called the meeting to order.

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

Alderman Hays made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 19, 2018 meeting; Alderman Osbourne seconded with all in favor. There was discussion during this approval about the letter from the City regarding the siren in Rensselaer, Jackie Pangborn has not heard back from Rich Enochs about this.

The bid specs for the demolition of the building at 105 N. Main Street were discussed. Alderman Foster made a motion for Ms. Pangborn to request qualifications for engineers to produce bid specs for the demolition of the building at 105 N. Main, Alderman Hays seconded, with all in favor.

Mayor Long opened the floor to open forum. Although not in attendance, Hollie Bastian had previously questioned if there are truck routes in town as she has had two semi-trucks drive past her house on Court street and they have knocked out her cable lines from her house, tearing up her siding in the process. Ms. Pangborn will look into the ordinance regarding power lines, cable lines, etc. to see if there is a height requirement.

Robert Dowell, President of Mosswood, was present to discuss the items he plans to purchase with the money budgeted in the capital expenditures for the 2017-2018 fiscal year. The \$10,000.00 will be used to purchase a used mower for \$6,000.00 and the balance of \$4,000.00 will be used towards the purchase of a sprayer. Alderman Foster motioned to approve the transfer of \$10,000.00 to Mosswood for the purchase of the mower and sprayer, Alderman Hays seconded, with all in favor except Alderman Vilorio who abstained.

Jerry Potterfield was present and handed out a chart of water/sewer rates compared to Palmyra. He stated that he had been discussing these costs with Brent Abell. Mayor Long will be contacting Mr. Abell about this as well.

Mr. Potterfield also stated the petition audit by the State Auditor is in the works and said he will have no problem getting the required number of signatures to get this audit scheduled. Gary McElroy addressed the Council, telling them they should not take offense to having an audit done. He said this can clear the slate, give direction and clarify the situation – remember to think positive. Ralph Lemongelli stated the audit will give everyone a peace of mind. Marcia Watson said the Council is doing a good job, but the audit needs to happen. It will answer a lot of questions and put some rumors to rest.

Mr. Potterfield also handed out a paper about fiduciary responsibilities that included the duty of loyalty, impartiality, accountability. Alderman Hays interrupted him stating that the Council will not be preached to about ethics.

Public Works – Alderman Vioria gave a public works report that included information about the bucket truck being back in working order. Also, many trees have been cut down in the past couple of weeks.

The Administration Committee made a recommendation to the Council to hire Kenneth (Chris) Whelan for the Electric department. Alderman Painter made a motion to accept the recommendation of the Administration Committee to hire Kenneth (Chris) Whelan at the rate of \$14.00 per hour, with a \$.30 increase after successfully completing the 6-month probationary period with a \$1.00 per hour increase after successfully completing each year of the apprenticeship program; Alderman Osbourne seconded it with all in favor.

Public Safety – Sergeant Zach James introduced new officer Keith Ganaway.

#### Administrative Report:

- Route J Forest Project – our cost share application to treat the multi-flora rose at Route J was not funded this year as they ran out of money. We will be at the top of the list for next year.
- DNR – the violation notification for June is posted on the website, on the front/rear doors at City Hall, will be in the paper on August 15<sup>th</sup> and will be mailed to the citizens on August 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Tax Sale – the tax sale will be held on August 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in Paris, Missouri. There are three properties on the tax sale that may be of interest to us. The properties are 501 N. Vine, 617 First, and 521 Winter. Ms. Pangborn will be working with Building Inspector, Brian Miller, to see if these structures would be considered dilapidated to the extent that we need to purchase them at the tax sale with the intent to demolish.
- NECAC – they are doing a cookbook fundraiser and wanted to know if we would wish to purchase an ad to support their endeavor. The council did not wish to pursue this.
- Shriners – Butch Pennewell contacted Ms. Pangborn on behalf of the Shriners. They would like to use the 4-way and 3-way stops on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon to collect money. Alderman

Osbourne made a motion to allow the Shriners to use the 4-way and 3-way stops as requested, Alderman Painter seconded, with all in favor.

- MPUA Annual Conference is October 3-5, 2018. All Managers are encouraged to attend.
- Chamber Golf Tourney is August 18, 2018. Typically, the City sponsors a team of City employees to participate in this tournament. All employees are advised, names of those that want to participate are put in a hat and 4 names are drawn to make the team. Cost is \$240 for a team. Alderman Foster motioned to allow the City to sponsor a team for this tournament, Alderman Hays seconded, with all in favor.
- Nutrition Center – they are having a fundraiser and would like for the City to donate a pool pass. Alderman Foster made a motion to supply the Nutrition Center with an individual pool pass, due to the lack of a second the motion died. Alderman Foster then motioned to supply the Nutrition Center with a pool pass for a family of 3-5 for the 2019 pool season, Alderman Painter seconded, with all in favor.
- The Mark Twain Regional Council of Government - their annual meeting will be held on October 25, 2018 at the Madison Community Center in Madison, Missouri. The time will be announced later.
- Hannibal Courier Post – they are soliciting ads for the High School Football Faceoff. The Council opted to not pursue this.
- Air Compressor - Jamie Allen had \$2,500 in the budget for an air compressor. Three bids were received: Northern Tool - \$1,429.99, Power Equipment Direct - \$1,699.99, MSC - \$2,000.00. Mr. Allen would like to purchase the air compressor from Northern Tool. Alderman Foster made a motion to allow the purchase of the air compressor from Northern Tool for \$1,429.99, Alderman Hays seconded, with all in favor.
- MTRCOG – Local Governments Training Workshop will be held on August 28, 2018 from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Boudreaux Center. Please advise Ms. Pangborn by August 15<sup>th</sup> if you would like to attend.
- ATV Ordinance – Chief Wheeler has suggested that we look into this as our ordinance is very old and there are several items to consider.
- Library Board – they have appointed Rusty Rothweiler to the Library Board, the Council needs to approve their appointment. Alderman Foster made a motion to accept the Library Board's appointment of Rusty Rothweiler to their board, Alderman Painter seconded, with all in favor.
- Enhanced Enterprise Zone – need to remove Neal Minor from this board and add someone else from our Council. Alderman Foster made a motion to appoint Mayor John Long, Alder Osbourne seconded. Aldermen Viloría, Osbourne, Foster and Hays in favor, Alderman Painter opposed.
- Computer Bids – a couple of options need to be decided before proceeding with the bid. There are two warranty options, 3 year or 5 year, and whether to pay a monthly charge for the warranty or pay it all up front. Alderman Foster made a motion to go with the 5-year warranty and to pay the charge in one lump sum as this will save the City money, Alderman Osbourne seconded,

with all in favor.

- Minutes from the Administrative committee on July 25, 2018 need to be approved. Alderman Osbourne motioned to approve the minutes from the July 25, 2018 Administrative Committee meeting, Alderman Painter seconded, with all in favor.

Park Report –The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Economic Development:

- The CDBG Grant application has not been submitted. There are still a lot of questions that need to be answered. Alderman Hays suggested we schedule another Economic Development meeting to discuss some of the questions that have been brought up. Alderman Painter made a motion to table this discussion until after an Economic Development meeting has been held, Alderman Foster seconded, with all in favor.
- The minutes from the July 25 and July 26, 2018 meetings need to be approved. Alderman Osbourne made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 25, 2018 and July 26, 2018 Economic Development meetings, Alderman Foster seconded with all in favor.

Mayor Long informed the Council that Hazel Smith has asked to be removed from her appointment on the Economic Development committee. He would like to appoint Melissa Hays to this Committee. Alderman Foster made a motion to accept the appointment by Mayor Long to remove Hazel Smith, and add Melissa Hays to the Economic Development committee, Alderman Osbourne seconded, with all in favor. Alderman Hays abstained.

Alderman Foster motioned at 7:45 p.m. to go into executive session as authorized by RSMO 610.021 (3) – Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees:

Connie Painter .....	Yea	Jeremy Moss .....	Absent
Marvin Vioria .....	Yea	Dane Foster .....	Yea
Jason Osbourne.....	Yea	Melissa Hays .....	Yea

After the adjournment of the executive session at 8:40 p.m., the open meeting was reconvened.

Alderman Hays motioned to ratify the decision to hire Amy Niediedt for the Administrative Assistant position at \$14.00 with a \$0.30 increase after successful completion of a 6-month probationary period, Alderman Vioria seconded, Aldermen Vioria, Osbourne, Hays approved, Aldermen Painter and Foster abstained.

Alderman Painter motioned to ratify the decision to eliminate the Gas/Water/Sewer management position effective August 31, 2018, Alderman Hays seconded with all in favor.

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Alderman Osbourne motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m., Alderman Hays seconded with all in favor.

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John Long, Mayor

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Christine Ellison, City Clerk