

City of Troy, Missouri
Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting
Monday, July 18, 2016
6:30 P.M.

Present for the Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting were Aldermen Eversmeyer, Detert, Curt, Sconce, Anderson, Walker and Mayor Cross. Also present were Public Works Superintendent Cunningham, Building Official Lindsey, Chief Taylor, Parks Director Howell, Treasurer Flinn, City Attorney Granneman and City Clerk Schneider.

Mayor Cross called the meeting to order, announced a quorum, led in the Pledge of Allegiance and called for a moment of silence for fallen police officers in recent weeks.

Alderman Detert made a motion, seconded by Alderman Eversmeyer to Approve the Consent Agenda upon the removal of Item 2C. Vote: Detert aye, Eversmeyer aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Walker aye, Sconce aye.

*Approved the Regular Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes dated June 20, 2016, Special Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes dated June 24, 2016 and Special Board of Aldermen Meeting Minutes dated July 6, 2016

Rick Kavanagh, President of Troy's Baseball Association, relayed parents' concerns of teenager conduct in the park of foul language, loud and lewd music and congregating in the parking lot. Mr. Kavanagh requested that police take fifteen minutes out of their patrol to walk through the park to prevent problems and increase security. Chief Taylor agreed to send two patrol officers on foot patrol through the park for next couple of weeks during end of ball season and then discuss a plan of action for next year. Mr. Kavanagh requested to be a part of discussions on field usage for next year's season prior to a new structure being put in place. Alderman Eversmeyer thanked Mr. Kavanagh for volunteering his time and effort to the association.

*Approved Reports of Park and Planning & Zoning/Board of Adjustment

Alderman Anderson requested the Historic Preservation Commission meet with the Park Board to discuss its designation application to register Fairgrounds Park as a historic landmark. Building Official Lindsey would invite the Commission to attend the next Park Board meeting on August 8th. Alderman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Curt to Approve the Report of Historic Preservation Commission. Vote: Anderson aye, Curt aye, Walker aye, Detert aye, Sconce aye, Eversmeyer aye.

*Approved the Report of Troy Convention and Visitors Bureau

*Approved the Reports of Police, Public Works, Wastewater, Finance, Building Inspection, Parks and Administration Departments

*Approved Payment of Regular Monthly Bills

Mayor Cross read Bill 1246 as Ordinance ____ -- An Ordinance Establishing the Salary Schedule for All Employees of the City of Troy, Missouri, first and second times by title only. Alderman Eversmeyer questioned the Aquatic Center Attendant starting wage of less than minimum wage. Alderman Eversmeyer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Walker to Adopt Bill No. 1246 as Ordinance 1228 Amended to Increase Aquatic Center Attendant Starting Wage Scale at Minimum Wage of \$7.65. Vote: Eversmeyer aye, Walker aye, Detert aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Sconce aye.

Mayor Cross read Bill No. 1247 as Ordinance ____ -- An Ordinance Approving the City of Troy Water and Wastewater Specifications and Associated Rates for Right to Connect, first and second times by title only. City Attorney Granneman explained this bill is a follow-up to last month's ordinance for adjusting water and sewer connection fees by recommendation of Public Works Superintendent upon approval by the Board. Public Works Superintendent Cunningham relayed that water right to connect cost adjustments are based on no-lead regulations requiring brass fittings and restocking and delivery fees. The average increase on a ¾" set-up is \$93. Building Official Lindsey requested that increases to both building permit (Bill 1248) and water right to connect fees be effective September 1st allowing time for builders to adjust to the increased costs. Lindsey continued that proposed building permit increases rise to the 50% level as compared to surrounding areas resulting in approximately \$200 on a residential house. Alderman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Detert to Adopt Bill No. 1247 as Ordinance 1229 Amended in Section 4 to read effective September 1, 2016. Vote: Anderson aye, Detert aye, Walker aye, Eversmeyer aye, Sconce aye, Curt aye.

Mayor Cross read Bill No. 1248 as Ordinance No. ____ -- An Ordinance Amending Table 1 of Title IV Attachment 1, Building, Planning and Zoning, Storm Water and Water and Sewer Connection Fees, first and second times by title only. Alderman Anderson questioned the 50% recoupment of actual cost. Building Official Lindsey responded the building permit fees would be evaluated every two years from now whether to increase or decrease permit fees. Alderman Sconce cautioned as building recovers to adjust costs and suggested cuts at budget time instead. Discussion ensued whether to recoup or subsidize the rising costs associated with building permit fees, that the current permit fee structure is lower than surrounding municipalities and the need to adjust fees to rising costs incrementally. Alderman Detert stated that no significant adjustment by cuts could be made to the budget as evidenced by no raise to City employees. Alderman Detert made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sconce to Adopt Bill No. 1248 as Ordinance

1230 Amended in Section 4 to read effective September 1, 2016. Vote: Detert aye, Sconce nay, Walker aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Eversmeyer aye. Motion carried 5-1.

*Approved Organizational Chart as amended

*Accepted Resignation of Donald Norton from Park Board

*Approved Vicky Hopkins as a member of Historic Preservation Commission recommended by Mayor Cross

*Approved Pay Application 1 submitted by MidRivers Asphalt on Weston Court, Weston Drive, Avery Park, Weinand Park and Troy Cemetery Project in the amount of \$130,288.50

*Authorized the Mayor to Sign Accounting Services Contract with Croghan & Croghan, P.C. in the amount of \$24,250.00 to \$29,750.00

*Approved Site Plan and Building Permit for K & T Duplex to be located at 251 W. College Street

Alderman Detert made a motion, seconded by Alderman Walker to Approve and Authorize the Mayor to Sign Second Amendment to Agreement with M & H Concrete Contractors, Inc. for repair of Excalibur Boulevard from Highway J to Sleepy Hollow in the amount of \$246,147.00. Vote: Detert aye, Walker aye, Sconce aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Eversmeyer aye.

Mayor Cross relayed the lowest bid received was still higher by \$40,000 over the budgeted amount for the Buchanan Court Improvements Project and attributed that to a better economy and many contracts/work available for contractors. Mayor Cross responded to aldermen inquiries that the project would begin in October, does not encompass the total street, and replaces approximately three-to-four new storm sewers running to Perkins. Alderman Detert cautioned the low bid may be increased by change orders on the project. Mayor Cross stated that change orders are used only for unanticipated construction improvements generally unforeseen during the engineering phase of a project but develop as construction gets underway. Alderman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Detert to Approve and Award the Bid submitted by Cannon General Contractors on Buchanan Court Improvements Project No. 160606001 as the lowest bid of \$221,697.53. Vote: Anderson aye, Detert aye, Curt aye, Eversmeyer aye, Walker nay, Sconce aye. Motion carried 5-1.

Mayor Cross stated the Main Street Sidewalk Project bid would be re-let to 10% more than cost, lengthen time to build and other changes to bring better bids. Alderman Eversmeyer voiced concern for the unfinished entrance to Trail while waiting for sidewalk construction to begin next March. Mayor Cross would consult with public

works to see if a temporary solution can be implemented. Alderman Sconce questioned how the funds would be budgeted and Mayor Cross responded from capital improvements. Alderman Sconce made a motion, seconded by Alderman Eversmeyer to Authorize the Mayor to Sign Contract with Bartlett & West for re-bidding Main Street Sidewalk Project No. TAP-9900(383) in the amount of \$2,800.00. Vote: Sconce aye, Eversmeyer aye, Walker aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Detert aye.

Mayor Cross relayed information from a MoDOT presentation (Exhibit IV and Exhibit IV-Part A and B) requesting a cost-share for Troy, Moscow Mills and Lincoln County to make safety improvements on Highway 61 in Lincoln County. In regard to City of Troy, it was proposed to:

(a) pay \$506,004; or \$228,337.73 cash and take over maintenance of MoDOT maintained roadway of 1.19 miles of John Deere Drive valued at \$277,666.27 on Exhibit IV included median cable and merge lanes; or

(b) pay \$93,004.59 cash on Exhibit IV – Part A included median cable only; or

(c) pay \$412,999.41 cash; or \$233,333.00 cash and take over maintenance of MoDOT maintained roadway of 1.19 miles of John Deere Drive valued at \$277,666.27 and .58 miles of Frenchman Bluff Road valued at \$135,333.14 on Exhibit IV – Part B included elimination of at-grade crossings and extending turn and merge lanes only.

Discussion ensued as to drivers' inattentiveness, speeding and the increased traffic on the highway attributable to decreased safety on the highway. It was questioned whether a cable barrier would be the answer for both vehicles and tractor-trailers for prevention of cross-overs. Also questioned was if the City should be paying for safety improvements on a highway owned by the State. MoDOT is making a similar cost-share presentation to St. Charles County and its municipalities as well. Alderman Anderson stated that Troy is a bedroom community with drivers traveling to and from work every day and if Lincoln County does not help then St. Charles County may not help either. Alderman Walker added that families travel the highway regularly and City needs to do what it can for safety. Alderman Sconce did not deny safety importance but stated that being good stewards of taxpayer funds goes back to whose responsibility was it for highway safety improvements and doubted that \$93,000 was going to stop the project. Alderman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Walker to Approve and Authorize the Mayor to Sign MoDOT Partnership Development Application Form--Missouri Moves Cost Share Program Exhibit IV Part A in the amount of \$93,004.59. Vote: Anderson aye, Walker aye, Sconce nay, Curt nay, Detert nay, Eversmeyer nay. Motion failed 2-4.

Mayor Cross relayed to the Board the discovery of deficiencies in property insurance values since the recent fire at Well House 8. All departments submitted updated values and the insurance broker submitted a proposal at a cost of approximately \$7,000.00. The cost would be prorated until the annual renewal in December. Alderman Curt suggested bidding property insurance out with different broker for next year. Alderman Anderson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Detert to Proceed With Increase/Decrease of Property Insurance Coverages for Replacement Cost to City's Buildings/Contents. Vote: Anderson aye, Detert aye, Curt aye, Walker aye, Eversmeyer aye, Sconce aye.

Alderman Sconce made a motion, seconded by Alderman Eversmeyer to go into Closed Session in compliance with 610.021 of RSMo., for the purpose of discussing Legal, Real Estate and Personnel. Vote: Sconce aye, Eversmeyer aye, Curt aye, Detert aye, Anderson aye, Walker aye.

Legal, Real Estate and Personnel matters were discussed.

Alderman Sconce made a motion, seconded by Alderman Walker to go out of Closed Session. Vote: Sconce aye, Walker aye, Curt aye, Anderson aye, Eversmeyer aye, Detert aye.

Alderman Eversmeyer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Sconce to adjourn the meeting. Vote: Eversmeyer aye, Sconce aye, Walker aye, Curt aye, Detert aye, Anderson aye. Meeting adjourned 8:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

City Clerk

Mayor

*Approved on Consent Agenda