

The Board of Alderman met on Monday July 16th and took the following action:

The meeting started with a Public Hearing for the purpose of citizen comment on a petition for proposed vacation of utility easements located a 11 Turnbull Trail Under Chapter 430 of the Code of the City of Troy, Missouri filed by petitioners Harold L. and Elsie W. Turnbull.

Under citizen comments;

Jessie and Renee Green, 208 Faye Circle, were requesting a water tap for an easement to put in a water line on Anna Ave. The request was approved.

Kara Nesbitt, agent for Black & Assoc., 111 N. Lincoln Dr. request to hold a special event, Food Truck Friday on August 10, 2018 from 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. The request was approved.

Cynthia Davenport on behalf of Lincoln Land & Cattle Co. (Witte Bros.) informed the board that she would be seeking to vacate two road easements on or about 46 Agnes Dr.

Every year the city is required to pass an ordinance to establish the Salary Schedule for all employees of the City of Troy, even if there are no changes, as is the case this year. The board passed the ordinance unanimously.

An ordinance of the City of Troy, Missouri vacating portions of easements in Turnbull Business Park, Plat one, Lots 2 and 3 pursuant to Chapter 430 was passed unanimously.

Under old business, Dale Black, CMS Homes, LLC, 111 N. Lincoln Dr. was back to request hooking on to City water for a new, yet to be named, large lot development outside the City Limits. The request was turned down 0 – 5.

The board approved and authorized the Mayor to sign Croghan and Croghan Engagement letter for year end June 30, 2018 auditing services in the amount of \$28,750.00 to \$35,200.00.

Approved site plan, final record plat and commercial building permit for a Casey's General Store recommended by Planning and Zoning Commission.

The board heard a presentation by Dennis Lyon, Utility Service Partners, recommended by the National League of Cities and Missouri Municipal League, for a Service Line Warranty Program.

The board heard a presentation by Chuck Barcom, Meridian Waste Solutions Inc. and Gary Gillum, Resource Management, discussing the recycling market.

In the Police Department, in the last two months we have had several drug overdoses with two resulting in deaths.

About the 06/16/18 fire death, which took place off Turnbull Trail, a young man was killed in a vehicle fire. The Major Case squad was called out to investigate. After obtaining the toxicology report it was determined that the death was accidental.

Major Raymond Floyd has begun his training at the FBI Academy. Once he has finished, Major Floyd will come home and teach the skills that he has learned to the remainder of the Troy Police Department.

In the Public Works Department, work has been completed on the Main St. bridge. All the work was done by City workers and was completed ahead of the self-imposed deadline of the start of school. The initial estimate to replace the bridge was just over \$500,000.00, but with an effort to find a reliable yet less expensive way to replace the old bridge, the work was completed for about \$80,000.00. The workers involved were Crew Leader Jared Colbert, Darren Seeger, Cynthia Bonugli, Kyle Van Mol, Ethan House, and Wayne Mueller. Great Job Public Works.

In addition, 8 tons of asphalt was placed in pothole patching and full depth repairs; and 20 cubic yards of concrete for street repairs. Ten Street signs were replaced. Inspected twelve manholes, raised two others and sealed four more. Did research on different grouts for sealing manholes. Fixed one gas monitor. Cleaned before and after the Fair Parade. Prepared a draft of a new sewer ordinance. Made repairs to a water main break on Boone St. Brush hogged 12,666 feet of sewer ROW, push camerad 300' of sewer main and CCTV'd 1735' of sewer main.

We pumped 41,987,000 gallons of water in the month of June with a daily maximum of 1,675,000 gallons on June 12th.

Tested all of the emergency sirens and all eight sirens were working properly.

The Wastewater Treatment Department reports that drive motor on blower 3 and the MBR plant had a major bearing failure. A spare motor was installed but the old one was not able to be repaired. Blower 6 at the MBR has reached the end of its useful life. This blower is used for sludge treatment. An identical blower, #7, was brought online to replace it and number 6 will be sent off for repairs. The check valve on Hwy 47 plant main pump has been repaired. Also discovered was a large chunk of wood in that same pump that blew out the seal. The pump was sent in for a main shaft repair. The Hamptons Liftstation had a float failure, it was diagnosed and repaired before we had any problems. MoDNR will be conducting inspections of the plants, numerous lift stations and manholes this month.

Sales tax deposits for July of 2018 were 6.91% higher than deposits for July of 2017. The 1% Local Sales Tax was 6.45% higher, the ½% transportation tax was 8.34% higher and the ½% Capital Improvement's Tax was 6.45% higher than July of 2017. July's deposits would be for May's collections. Ameren Missouri pays a 5% franchise fee to the City of Troy on commercial gas and electric sales. This payment has historically been made semi-annually, in May and November. Beginning in June, Ameren began paying this fee monthly. In FY 2018 the total received for this fee was \$566,587.81. A monthly remittance will be a significant improvement to the City's cash flow.

In the Building Department, for the FY July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, we sold 82 permits for new housing starts. This number is significantly higher than any time in the last eight years and shows a continued resurgence in the housing market. The net valuation of those houses totaled \$11,314,000.

In the Parks Department, despite the mechanical glitches at the beginning of the season, the Aquatic Center has been running smoothly. We have had 10 rentals at the Aquatic Center in the last month. These include birthday parties and after-hours facility rentals. With help from Public Works, we added drainage system from City Hall and the Food Pantry into the pond in Fairgrounds Park. Previously, storm drains ran into the grass between the pond and the parking lots. This was

causing a lot of erosion. We dug out a path and filled with large rock. Running a pipe was the first option but with the slope of the hill was not feasible. We have an opening on the Park Board. Patrick Lacey took a job out of state and sent in his resignation.

The Administration Department continues serving the community with pavilion rentals, special event permits, dog tags, hydrant permits, requests for one-time pool-fill adjustments, liquor license renewals, business license renewals, and temporary hires for pool/park/water departments. Tonya recently attended IPMA-HR Regional Conference in Madison, Wisconsin. She appreciated the opportunity to attend and has already shared training material with the administration department of defusing escalating situations and promoting community civility.

That's it for this month. Remember, be kind to one another and God bless you all.