

The Board of Alderman met on November 19th and took the following actions:

Under old business, the board discussed adopting Resolution 2018-4 – A resolution of the City of Troy, Missouri Supporting the Repeal and Replacement of the 911 telephone tax under RSMo Section 190.305 and supporting a Ballot Measure by Lincoln County for the Collection of Monthly Fees Pursuant to RSMo Section 190.455. The board voted not to approve the resolution, since there was bound to be a fee for putting the measure on the April 2019 ballot. Without knowing what that cost would be, they felt there was no use passing the resolution if there was a possibility that they would not approve the yet undetermined fee. The vote was unanimous against the resolution.

The board approved and authorized the Mayor and City Attorney to finalize the contract amendment with Meridian Waste Solutions, LLC for Dual-Stream recycling (limited curbside recycling) of certain plastics, tin and aluminum, with paper/cardboard drop-off containers and temporary \$1.00 surcharge for recycling customers only. This surcharge would go away if an alternative recycling partner could be found or if the price of recycling went down.

The board approved the health and supplemental dental and vision insurance as presented by the insurance committee. There was a 19% increase in the premium initially, but we were able to get that reduced to 17% by shifting the supplemental dental coverage to United Health Care. The dental insurance is an option that the employees can take if they want and the employee pays 100% of that coverage.

The board approved candidate filing information for the April 2, 2019 General Municipal Election to include section 115.395.2 RSMO (lottery drawing). All candidates that sign up on the first day of registration would be put in a lottery drawing to determine the order in which the names would appear on the ballot. After the first day of registration, names would appear in the order they registered.

Approved a request of rezoning from R-1 Single-Family residential district to C-3 Highway commercial district for the location of 1112 E. Cherry St. by Richard Ponder, applicant on behalf of property owner Cuivre River Electric Cooperative, as recommended by Planning and Zoning Commission.

Discussed and approved home occupation permit for Richard D. Thiele Jr., applicant and property owner for "Fast Lane Detail & Motorsports, LLC, a professional automotive detailing service located at 352 Waterford Court. This request was not recommended by Planning and Zoning commission because Mr. Thiele did not attend the P and Z Meeting to answer questions. Since Mr. Thiele was available to answer questions from the Board of Alderman to their satisfaction, they approved his request.

The board approved Change Order No. 1 for \$7,632.00 and No. 2 for a credit of \$3,620.00 and the final pay request for \$135,012.80 from Mid Rivers Asphalt on 2018 Mill & Overlay Program, Project #180820003, Boone St.

A discussion was held for rescheduling Board meeting dates due to Holiday conflicts in January 2019 and February 2019.

The board discussed and approved the Historic Preservation Commission's request to submit Fairgrounds Park to the National Registry of Historic Places. They also discussed and approved a request to approve the Historic Preservation Commission's request to extend Troy's district east, along Cherry

Street to the proposed round-a-bout at Wood and Cherry on the City's right-of-way only. (No private property would be included).

In the Police Department, Lieutenant Roger Mauzy finished the third block of FBI Leadership Training Courses for supervisors. They are also in the process of filling an opening for a patrol officer.

In Public Works, during the month of October they used 41 tons of asphalt in pothole patching and/or full depth repairs, and 42 cubic yards of concrete for street repairs. As for wastewater collection system, they brush hogged 4,212 feet of ROW; camera'd 3,892 feet of sewer main and 187 feet of storm sewer main. All tornado sirens were tested and found to be in working order.

In the Water Department, they pumped 35,675,000 gallons of water in the month of October with a daily maximum of 1,151,000 gallons on October 2. With a total of 4,695 total bills sent out we had only 40 delinquent shutoffs. We have seen a dramatic decrease in shutoffs since we have instituted a new program whereby we call customers and remind them that their water bill is due and to avoid shutoff they need to make a payment on or before the final date.

Sales tax deposits for November of 2018 were 50% higher than deposits for November of 2017. The 1% Local Sales Tax was 51.9% higher; the ½% Transportation Tax was 45.8% higher and the ½% Capital Improvements Tax was 51.81% higher than November of 2017. For the fiscal year our sales tax deposits are up 11.46% which is \$231,960.00 more in revenue than at the same point last fiscal year.

Representatives from the firm of Croghan & Croghan were in our offices on October 30th and 31st to conduct their onsite tasks for the preparation and audit of our FY2018 financial statements. Missouri Lagers provided mandated audit documents to us. The audited financial statements must be provided to the state and to Security Bank of Kansas City by December 27th.

In the Parks Department, Carol House Pet Clinic had their final pet pick up of the year. For the year they picked up 385 cats and dogs from our location alone. This a great service for our area and we will be setting up dates for next year very soon.

Midwest Pool Management notified us that our year end refund from the Aquatic Center Contract was \$5,637.40 and that our portion of the swim lessons is \$1,423.39.

At the same time Community Opportunities advised the City that they had been tentatively awarded a \$250,000.00 grant for playground equipment and installation for the Kiwanis Park that will be built on ground purchased by the Kiwanis Club on Trojan Circle Dr. Once this 7-acre portion of the park is completed, it will be donated to the city to maintain. It part of a 27-acre piece of ground that was purchased by the Kiwanis Club of Troy to be developed in phases with walking trails, etc. and eventually all the ground will be donated to the City as a park.

The Administration Department has attended various trainings including Social Media, Office Professional through Missouri Rural Water Association, Incode Cemetery Software Module and Research/Gravesite Marking in the Cemetery and City Clerk Regionals. The next phase will be scanning cemetery maps into the City's server.

The City's HR Generalist, Tonya Hawkins, has worked with the City's insurance broker for health insurance bids and it looks like our health insurance rates will be increasing about 17% vs. last year.

Finally, Candidate sign-ups for the April 2019 Municipal election start on December 11, 2018 and go through January 15, 2019 at 5 p.m. There is an aldermanic seat up for election in each of the city's three wards. So, if you feel the urge to serve your community please come in and contact City Clerk Jodi Schneider for details.

That is all for this month. My wife, Phyllis, and I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the season, be safe and above all be kind to one another. God bless you all.