

**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – May 8, 2006 – 7:00 pm.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Eastward Aldermen – Russ Chittum and John Dennis, Westward Aldermen – L.C. Turner and Kenny Hoffman, City Clerk/Economic Development Director – Cindy Bowman, Superintendent of Utilities – Butch Pantaleo, City Police Chief – John Quinley, City Attorney Jim McConnell

Guests: Brian Haeffener, Dennis Stith, Staci McClelland, Bill Hall, Tom Griswold, Jeff Barry, Kirk Jurnas, Bill Beldon, Mary Beldon, Renzel Cooper, Kerry McCarty, Chuck Wood, Danny Harvey, Gidget Mott, Ton Thurman, Gary Chinn, David Silvester, Debbie Griswold, Ronda Barry and Reese Blaine.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Alderman Turner moved to approve the regular board meeting minutes from the April 10, 2006 regular meeting. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to approve the agenda. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to pay the city bills excluding D&B. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to pay the D&B bill. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis and Turner voted aye. No nay votes. Alderman Chittum abstained. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bowman gave the following treasurer's report:

Balance Brought Forward: \$679,701.29  
Deposits: \$145,969.14  
Checks: \$132,980.69  
Ending Balance: \$692,689.74

Alderman Chittum moved to accept the treasurer's report. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Renzel Cooper addressed the Board regarding the high sewer rates.

Brian Haeffener, MoDOT, was present to present the Cost Share Agreement. Gary Chinn addressed the Board regarding the east entrance. Mr. Chinn stated that he anticipates 150 trucks per week at the feed mill. Mr. Chinn also stated that not having the east entrance as a full access entrance would not be beneficial to economic growth. After much discussion of the possibilities, Alderman Chittum moved to allow full access at the east entrance and close the west entrance. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Chittum moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the Cost Share Agreement. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Bill No. 1120, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and execute the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Master Reimbursable Utility Agreement, was read by title. Alderman Turner moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1120. Alderman Hoffman

seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Bill No. 1120, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign and execute the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission Master Reimbursable Utility Agreement, was read by title a second time. Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1120. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. Bill No. 1120 was assigned Ordinance No. 477.

Dennis Stith, Shafer Kline & Warren, Inc., was present to discuss progress on the sewer project and the results of the sludge testing at the lagoon. He stated that the crews televising the sewer lines would begin work the week of May 15.

The amounts for utility deposits were discussed. It was decided to leave all deposits at the current level.

City Clerk Bowman stated that the Wood Family had presented a request to shoot off fireworks at the VFW Hall on the evening of May 13 for 15 minutes. Alderman Turner moved to allow the request with the condition that the family would assume all responsibility should a fire occur. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bowman requested authorization to solicit bids for trash service. Alderman Chittum moved to approve the request. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The Clarence Public Library Board recommended the appointment of Staci McClelland to the Board. Alderman Turner moved to approve appointment as recommended. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

City Superintendent Pantaleo reported the Willie Hendricks had completed both the Water Distribution and Sewer classes and had taken both tests on May 2. City Superintendent Pantaleo also reported on projects completed throughout the month.

City Superintendent Pantaleo requested authorization to attend a Water Summit in Columbia on May 18, 2006 at a cost of \$40. Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the request. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Quinley presented his report.

City Clerk/ Economic Development Director Bowman reported that notice to proceed with the sidewalk improvement grant had been received from MoDOT. The engineer is proceeding with the plans.

City Clerk Bowman suggested the use of a consent agenda to eliminate several votes from each meeting. It was decided not to use the consent agenda, but that department heads would submit their reports in writing to be sent out with the packets prior to the meeting.

City Clerk Bowman stated that the Shelby County Collectors office had the capability to bill city stickers on the tax bill. This would eliminate the cost of purchasing the stickers and increase the collection rate. Alderman Chittum moved to proceed with billing city stickers on the county tax bills. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Nelda Stine reported on Emergency Preparedness Meeting and presented the current 911 guidelines for setting off the storm sirens.

Fire Chief Bill Hall presented the previous month's fire call out sheets. A used tire pickup was discussed. Alderman Chittum moved to have City Clerk Bowman and Chief Hall proceed with the application for the tire pickup. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson read a proclamation honoring the late Bill Langhammer for his forty years of service to the fire department. Alderman Turner moved to participate with the Rural Fire Association for purchase of a plaque to be hung in the Fire Station. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to have the crews from Shelbyville spray for mosquitoes before the Homecoming and at the Lake before July 4<sup>th</sup>.

Alderman Turner moved to have each ward's aldermen do a drive around. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Mayor Watson stated that he would be attending the regional Missouri Municipal League meeting in Kirksville on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Turner moved to pay for the meal and mileage for the mayor and any Board members that would attend. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 subsection 3 – Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. The regular session ended at 10:00 pm.

#### **Closed Session minutes**

Discussion was held regarding the COBRA insurance coverage. No action was taken at this time.

Alderman Hoffman made a motion to leave the closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 subsection 3 – Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Chittum moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman  
City Clerk

*Approved 6/12/06*