

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – October 9, 2006 – 7:00 pm.

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

Guests: Dennis Stith – SKW, Staci McClelland, Bill Hall, Nelda Stine, Shawn Dandoy, Sam Grimes – MoDOT, Brian Haeffner – MoDOT, Geraldine Knapp, Wayne Knapp, Willie Hendricks, Norman Stevens, Phylis Stevens, Donnie Thrasher and David Waller – Macon Public Water Supply District

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:57 pm.

Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2006 regular meeting. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Turner voted nay. Motion carried.

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

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

Alderman Turner moved to pay the D&B bill. Alderman Dennis 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: \$796,812.35
Deposits: \$77,741.21
Checks: \$67,165.96
Ending Balance: \$807,387.60

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.

Stacy McClelland addressed the Board regarding the problem with dogs running loose around town. A large dog had jumped on her daughter after school. Shawn Dandoy, Principal at the Clarence Elementary School, stated that there is a problem with dogs running loose at the school property, usually whenever the children are outside. After much discussion, the Board recommended that the Police Chief modify his hours to be at the school a couple of mornings each week and to write tickets to the owners when Chief Quinley knows who the owner of the loose dogs is.

Shawn Dandoy inquired into the status of the sidewalk project. City Clerk Bowman stated that MoDOT has the plans for review and once the approval is given, the City will advertise for bids.

Brian Haeffner and Sam Grimes, MoDOT, were present to discuss the acquisition of the properties of the US 36 expansion project. Resolution 130, a resolution appointing an authorized official to sign necessary documents, was presented. Alderman Chittum moved to approve Resolution 130 and to waive reimbursement for moving the picnic tables at the Clarence Lake property. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Dennis Stith, Shafer Kline & Warren, Inc., stated that Robin Fitzgerald, Mart Twain Council of Governments, was preparing the application to the Water and Wastewater Review Committee for a CDBG grant of \$500,000.00 for the sewer project. This would leave approximately \$760,000.00 to be financed through bonds or lease purchase. It was decided to meet with Robin on October 25th to discuss the application.

David Waller, Macon Public Water Supply District, was present to answer questions regarding the addition of a pressure reducer. David stated that in the experience that the Water District had had with the Blue Max water lines pressure had no bearing on the breakage of the lines. David further stated that a bend in the line seemed to cause more problems than pressure. It was decided not to proceed with the installation of a pressure reducer.

Bill No. 1132, an ordinance amending Ordinance 488, for the purchase of certain real estate, was read by title by Mayor Watson. Alderman Dennis moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1132. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Alderman Hoffman abstained. Motion carried.

Bill No. 1132, an ordinance amending Ordinance 488, for the purchase of certain real estate, was read by title a second time. Alderman Chittum moved to approve the second reading of Bill No. 1132. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Alderman Hoffman abstained. Motion carried. Bill No. 1132 was assigned Ordinance No. 489.

City Clerk Bowman presented budget adjustments for the purchase of the land, tractor and the establishment of the lake and POST funds. Alderman Hoffman moved to approve the budget adjustments as presented. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Wayne and Geraldine Knapp were present to request an extension to complete the brick foundation for their double-wide. Alderman Chittum moved to grant an extension for the completion of the foundation until May 31, 2007. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Donnie Thrasher was present to request a variance for the lot formerly used as pasture at 407 Pearl Street. Alderman Chittum moved to approve the variance request for use as hay or grain crop. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Dennis abstained. No nay votes. Motion carried. It was explained that this variance was to Mr. Thrasher only and should the property be sold, the new owner would have to request a similar variance.

Bill No. 1133, an ordinance authorizing the levy and collection of abatement costs incurred for certain properties, was read by title. Alderman Chittum moved to approve the first reading of Bill No. 1133. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

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City Superintendent Pantaleo's report was reviewed. Superintendent Pantaleo stated that he had attended a meeting of the Municipal Gas Commission on Friday and there was a possibility of getting the Operator Qualifications Plan revised through MGC rather than USDI. This would be a significant savings from earlier estimates.

Police Chief Quinley presented his report. Chief Quinley requested to carryover 15 days of unused vacation to be used in November. Alderman Dennis moved to allow the carryover this one year only. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Hoffman voted nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson requested that Chief Quinley add enumeration of dog warnings and tickets to his report. The writing of tickets for unlicensed dogs, free roaming dogs and nuisance junk and trash were discussed.

City Clerk Bowman stated that two of the tenants of the recently purchased properties had requested additional time to vacate the properties. Alderman Chittum moved to grant 60 days to vacate. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Hoffman abstained. No nay votes. Motion carried.

City Clerk Bowman advised the Board that there was some interest by parties wishing to purchase the houses to move on the recently purchased properties. Alderman Chittum moved to advertise for bids on the houses to be moved after Premium Ag has given notice to proceed. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Hoffman abstained. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson stated that the Shelby County Economic Development Interim Board would be meeting at the Clarence Civic Club on October 25th. Robin Fitzgerald will be attending that meeting. Alderman Turner moved to have a special meeting October 25, 2006 at 6:30 pm. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson then asked the Board to consider make a donation for the start up costs of the Shelby County Economic Development Interim Board. Mayor Watson stated that Shelbyville has contributed \$500. After reviewing the budget, Alderman Turner suggested that this be tabled until some of the City's other projects were more finalized.

City Attorney McConnell presented a flyer for the Missouri Water and Waste Water Conference to be held November 9, 2006 in Columbia. The cost is \$20.00 per person. Alderman moved to send two people to the conference. Alderman Hoffman seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Stine requested funds to purchase refreshments for the class to be held October 14 and 15. Alderman Turner moved to approve \$15.00 for refreshments. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Hoffman voted nay stating that \$15.00 was not enough. The motion carried.

Alderman Turner moved to require a photo ID when applying for utility services and that a copy of the ID be kept on file with the application. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Turner expressed his concerns over the number of items approved over the phone. Alderman Turner suggested having a second meeting each month. Aldermen Chittum and Hoffman stated that they were not in favor of this. Alderman Chittum stated that he wished to be on record as he would not intentionally violate the sunshine law and should there be any calls regarding decisions on City business, his answer will be to take it up at the next Board meeting.

Mayor Watson stated that he had received a letter of resignation from Earl Walker as Zoning Inspector effective December 31, 2006. Alderman Chittum moved to have City Clerk Bowman and Earl work on a job description and to advertise the position. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Mayor Watson stated that he had been approached by the Clarence Sesquicentennial Committee about the institution of a "No Shaving Ordinance." It is believed that this was in force in 1957. City Clerk Bowman will research this.

Alderman Hoffman 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

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

Closed session minutes

The purpose of the closed session was for the annual employee evaluations and salary increases. The employees were interview individually.

Alderman Chittum moved to grant a 4.1% COLA increase to \$11.96 for Theresa Cross. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Hoffman voted nay stating that he was in favor of a 5% increase. Motion carried.

City Superintendent Pantaleo was interviewed next. The Board requested that Superintendent Pantaleo develop goals and objectives for himself and his employees. Alderman Hoffman moved to grant a 4.1% COLA increase to \$15.51 for Superintendent Pantaleo. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Chittum moved to grant a 6% or \$0.55 per hour increase for Willie Hendricks. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Quinley was asked to set goals for his performance. Alderman Chittum moved to grant a 4.1% COLA increase to \$13.95 for Chief Quinley. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Danny Hall was asked to make one of his objectives to be reading meters. Alderman Chittum moved to grant a 4.1% COLA increase to \$10.72 for Danny Hall. Alderman Turner seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis, Turner and Chittum voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Since Gerald Perrin will not complete the 90-day probationary period until October 16, no salary increase was given at this time. It was stated that an increase of \$0.50 per hour would be granted for each of the required licenses once those were achieved.

Alderman Hoffman moved to grant a 6% increase to \$11.47 for City Clerk Bowman. Alderman Chittum seconded the motion. Aldermen Hoffman, Dennis and Chittum voted aye. Alderman Turner voted nay. Motion carried.

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

Alderman Hoffman 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 10:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk

Approved 11/14/06