

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – November 13, 2007 – 7:00 pm.

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – John Dennis, Dorothy Lanpher and Larry Roberts, City Clerk Cindy Bowman, City Superintendent Dennie Carothers, City Attorney Jim McConnell and Police Chief John Quinley

Absent: Alderman Kenny Hoffman

Guests: Staci McLelland, John Hoffman – Shafer, Kline and Warren, Willie Hendricks, Nelda Stine and Bill Hall

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

Alderman Roberts moved to approve the minutes from the October 8, 2007 regular meeting. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Dennis moved to approve the agenda. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Dennis moved to pay all bills. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward: \$773,545.80
Deposits: \$76,203.96
Checks: \$141,085.82
Ending Balance: \$708,663.94

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

John Hoffman, Shafter, Kline and Warren, stated that there was a problem with the bore under Hwy 151. Attempts are being made to resolve the problem, but no payment for the boring will be made until this situation has been resolved to the inspector's satisfaction.

Mr. Hoffman presented a pay request for M & M Construction for the sewer relocation project in the amount of \$12,440.02. Alderwoman Lanpher moved to approve the request. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Since Lyn Heying, MECO Engineering, was unable to attend, City Clerk Bowman presented the Bids for the Student Safety Sidewalk Enhancement Project. Bill Sullivan Excavation, Inc. was the apparent low bidder. Alderman Dennis moved to award the bid to Bill Sullivan Excavation, Inc. contingent upon MoDOT concurrence and the availability of funds. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The lease with Premium Ag for the property in the Glahn addition was presented. Alderman Roberts moved to approve the lease. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved to pay the \$500.00 budgeted for the contribution for the Shelby County Economic Development Board. Alderman Roberts seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The adjustments to the water and sewer rates for the Clarence Care Center were discussed next. Alderman Dennis moved to reduce the rate for water to \$5.78 per 1,000 gallons used and the rate for sewer to \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons of water used as long as the Child Care Center was kept open. Should the Child Care Center be closed the rates would return to the standard rate. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Kenneth P. Smith, Sr. had requested a change to his liquor license application. He had requested to change the location to 114 E. Maple from the E. Chestnut location due to the extensive repairs that the Health Department is requiring. Due to the proximity to the school, Alderman Roberts moved to table the request until the laws on this could be investigated.

Discussion was held regarding the annual Safety Meeting. Possible dates of November 30, December 7 and December 12 were suggested. City Clerk Bowman was instructed to check into which of the dates were available at Kemp's Restaurant. It was decided to include the firemen and crossing guard in the Safety Meeting.

Alderman Roberts moved to allow employee's to choose between a ham and a jacket for the safety award. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Larry Gibson, Naught-Naught Agency, presented the renewal rates for the employee health insurance. The increase would be a 6% increase from last year. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the renewal rates. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The Clarence Community Betterment Group will be holding a ham and turkey give-away on Saturday December 15th in conjunction with the Veteran's Sausage and Pancake Breakfast. CCBG had requested that the City donate a ham or turkey for this event. Alderman Roberts moved to donate a ham. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The Superintendent's report was reviewed next. Alderman Roberts moved to have USDI repair the gas valve leaks on the steel main. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts moved to place a thank you ad in the Courier and give a ham to Frank and Mary Thrasher for mowing the helicopter pad this past summer. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts move to accept the Superintendent's report. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Police Chief Quinley presented his report. Alderman Dennis moved to approve the Police Chief report. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

The City Clerk / Economic Development report was reviewed. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the City Clerk / Economic Development report. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Emergency Management Director Nelda Stine's report was reviewed next. Alderman Dennis moved to accept the Emergency Management Director report. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Bill Hall's report was next reviewed. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the Fire Chief report. Alderman Dennis seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts 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. Alderwoman Lanpher seconded the motion. Aldermen Dennis, Roberts and Lanpher voted aye. No nay votes. Motion carried. The regular session ended at 9:49 pm.

CLOSED SESSION MINUTES RECORDED ELSEWHERE

REGULAR SESSION CONTINUED

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk

Approved 12/17/07