

City Council Meeting Minutes
June 13, 2016
7:30 p.m.

The Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, June 13, 2016 in the Council Chamber at City Hall. Mayor Richard Bodi presided with the following present: Ald. Chism, Young, Wade, Riggs, and Cravens.

1. The Mayor called the meeting to order.
2. The minutes of the May 23, 2016 meeting were presented. Ald. Riggs made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Ald. Wade seconded the motion. All Councilmen voted “yes” and the motion was carried. The minutes were accepted.

The Mayor asked the Council to adjourn to executive session. Ald. Wade made a motion to adjourn to closed session relative to “A. Legal actions, causes of action, or litigation (RSMo 610.021.1)”. The Mayor conducted a roll call vote as follows: Ald. Wade – yes, Ald. Riggs – yes, Ald. Young – yes, Ald. Cravens – yes, Ald. Chism – yes. The meeting was adjourned.

Ald. Wade made a motion to return to Open Session. Ald. Chism seconded. All Aldermen voted “yes” and the meeting was opened.

3. Visitors: Roger Kenedy, 181 St. Monica, New Madrid, Mo. 63869
4. A resolution was presented authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with Smith & Company to provide civil engineering services to the City for the amount of \$44,650.00 for Stormwater Improvements Projects. This will include surveys of 6 separate areas within the city that are experiencing stormwater flow issues. Proposed improvements and preliminary cost estimates for each area shall be provided to the City for review. Findings will also be presented to the Mo Dept. of Transportation so that a dialogue can be started regarding any assistance that can be provided to the City as a result of changing transportation and drainage infrastructure in the area. Smith & Co. will also facilitate communications with the Army Corps of Engineers as deemed appropriate. An engineering report will be provided that includes these areas to enable the City to apply for governmental grants and loans from agencies such as the CDBG program and the

US Dept. of Agriculture. Mayor Bodi stated that this would be the first step in the City's 5 year plan for replacement of water lines and streets that he mentioned at the last Council Meeting. He said that he hopes to have a work session with the Council to set up this plan and time line. He wants to be able to inform the citizens of this project so they will know when and where this work will occur. Adm. McGill said that he had mentioned drainage issues in several parts of town at the last meeting. Ald. Wade said that they City has spent a good chunk of money on stormwater control and it only made good sense to develop a plan to get the water to the pump stations. He said that this seems to be a way to get the water to the right area to move it out of town. Ald. Chism made a motion to approve the resolution, Ald. Wade seconded and all Aldermen voted "yes". The resolution was approved.

5. A resolution directing the Mayor to sign a renewal agreement with Southwestern Power Administration that will extend the present agreement through June 30 2022 was presented. The Mayor read the title of the resolution aloud two times. Adm. McGill explained that this was only a renewal of the existing agreement. The SWPA only wanted to get the renewal dates in line with their other agreements. Mayor Bodi conducted a roll call vote as follows: Ald. Wade – yes, Ald. Riggs – yes, Ald. Young – yes, Ald. Cravens – yes, Ald. Chism – yes. The resolution was approved.
6. A resolution was presented awarding a bid to Duncan Electric in the amount of \$24,500 for the HVAC system for the new Police Station. Adm. McGill stated that this firm was the lowest and best bidder for the project. Mayor Bodi conducted a roll call vote as follows: Ald. Wade – yes, Ald. Riggs – yes, Ald. Young – yes, Ald. Cravens – yes, Ald. Chism – yes. The bid was awarded to Duncan Electric.
7. City Administrators Report:
Adm. McGill informed the Council that the final walk through of the NE Pump Station had been completed just last Thursday. DNR feels that the riprap is inadequate as it stands. The City will complete the addition themselves and he feels that this will not be a problem.
He then updated the Council regarding progress with the Police Station. Now that the HVAC has been awarded, the communications package is next. The ad for that bid will run this week. He expects to bring this bid as well as the bid for the dry wall to the Council at their next meeting. He stated that the project is still well within the budget.

Ald. Chism asked if the Library Board was pleased with the roof repair. Adm. McGill said that he had not spoken with them but feels that they are. He said that the internal repairs needed would be completed by the carpenters that had been assigned to the Police Station project when they are between jobs at the station or are waiting for supplies.

Ald. Wade asked if the basketball tournament at the Obannon Park had been successful. Chief Higginson said that there were no problems at all.

Ald. Chism informed that Council that he had been approached by a citizen asking if it would be possible for the City to pave the levee road from Capital street out to Cargill. He said the dust during dry weather, was very unpleasant for the residents living along Old Kingshighway. Mayor Bodi said that it was indeed and the same could be said for the levee road out past the old Sinclair site and out to Route U. Atty. Bock said that he was sure that the Levee district would have no objection if the City wanted to pave these areas. In fact they had said so in the past. The Mayor said that he feels bad for the people living along these areas and the dust that they have to deal with. He directed Adm. McGill to get a price on paving these areas for the Council to consider.

The Mayor then mentioned that Howard Crisler had inquired about the City improving the City fencing across from his home on Waters Street. The Mayor asked that they be given a price to do this as well.

There being no further business, Ald. Chism made a motion to adjourn. Ald. Riggs made a second and all voted "yes". The meeting was adjourned.