

NOTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

October 17, 2017

(Subject to Approval at the November 7, 2017 Council Meeting)

CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call

Attendance

Mayor Dennis Watz called the council meeting to order in the Council Room at City Hall, 210 West Washington, Sullivan, Missouri at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and attending the meeting were Alderman Ward One Mark Dalton, Alderman Ward Three Paul McCulloch, Alderman Ward Two T.J. Carey, Alderman Ward Two Jason Alexander, Alderman Ward Three Bobby Maupin and Alderman Ward One Tony Wessler. Also attending were City Administrator J.T. Hardy, City Attorney Justin Head, City Engineer Robert Schaffer, and City Clerk Jan Koch.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge

At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited by everyone present. The Pledge was followed by a moment of silence.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Agenda

Alderman McCulloch made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED

Minutes

Notes from the council meeting held October 3, 2017 were presented. Alderman Wessler made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Alderman Dalton seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Senator Schatz
Award

MPUA Presentation - Senator Schatz

Vice President Ewell Lawson of Missouri Public Utility Alliance presented State Senator Dave Schatz with an award recognizing his activities which furthered the objectives of municipal utilities, making contributions that have a lasting impact in the field. Senator Schatz's support of municipal utilities includes a strong commitment to voter involvement in utility decision making, with appropriate protections of public assets. MPUA stated that Senator Schatz shows true leadership to make sure that municipal utility customers are protected. Senator Schatz then thanked everyone which was followed by a warm round of applause.

Chamber Commerce - Temporary Intersection Closures

Temporary Street
Closures 12/1/17

The Chamber of Commerce requested temporary street closures for the *Christmas Tree Lighting and Reindeer Dash* scheduled for Friday, December 1, 2017 from 5:00-8:00 p.m. along Main Street. They reported that they would contact the street, police & fire departments and the ambulance service. The Chamber requested that the intersections of Church & Main, North Clark & Main, Taylor Street & Main, and Hughes Ford & Main be temporarily closed for this event. Alderman McCulloch made a motion to approve the Chamber's request as outlined. Alderman Maupin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

STANDING COMMITTEE

Planning & Zoning

Medlin
Conditional Use
Signage

Medlin Conditional Use Sign

Alderman Wessler reported that a public hearing was held on Tuesday, October 10, 2017 in the Council Room at City Hall where a request for a conditional use permit was presented by MDPC, LLC (Medlin Pet Company) of 891 South Service Road. Following the public hearing, P&Z approved a conditional use permit that allowed an off-premise sign to be located at 890 South Service Road.

Historic District
Exploration

Historic District

Alderman Wessler reported that Planning & Zoning has been discussing the possibility of a “downtown historic district”. During this research, Alderman Wessler spoke with Mary Sayers from the Missouri State Historic Preservation Office who indicated she would be willing to visit Sullivan and give a presentation about historic preservation districts.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Parks & Recreation Mower

Parks Mower
Purchase/State Bid

The Parks & Recreation Department requested the purchase of a Toro Groundmaster 4000-D (30609) wide area rotary mower in the amount of \$55,500 minus a \$7,000 trade, for a total of \$48,500. Based upon the *National IPA Contract #2017025*, City of Sullivan, Missouri registration #NIPA18904. City Code Section 145.030 authorized engaging in cooperative purchases where the bidding has already been done. The 2018 fiscal year budget amount for this purchase is \$60,000. Alderman Alexander made a motion to approve the purchase as outlined above. Alderman Carey seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Sullivan Fire District - Water Line Improvements

Water Line
Improvements
Church & Main
Streets

The Sullivan Fire Protection District reported that they plan on renovating Fire House No. One (Church & Main Streets). The renovation project requires an increased fire flow from 6-inch to 8-inch water main and the installation of two fire hydrants. In order to expedite the project, SFPD will bid and contract the work to minimize the impact on local traffic, businesses and the school system. Staff recommended that the city take this opportunity to upgrade the required 8-inch water main to 10-inch for future expansion, fire flow and pressure. Staff also recommended expending the difference of material costs for 8-inch to 10-inch water piping and to have the City Engineer Robert Schaffer design the extension and submit to Missouri Department of Natural Resources for approval. The estimated cost could be \$12,000. In the future, a budget adjustment may or may not be necessary. Alderman Wessler made a motion to approve staff’s recommendations as outlined. Alderman Maupin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Year 2018 Budget

Electric Operating
Costs Suspended
FY 2018

City Administrator J.T. Hardy reported that the adopted budget for Fiscal Year 2018 included suspension of the 3% electric automatic operations cost adjustment. Administrator Hardy stated he felt the current electric rates along with the city’s fiscal conservancy that there would be a sufficient amount to sustain the operation costs for Fiscal Year 2018 without the 3% automatic operations cost. Alderman McCulloch made a motion to suspend the 3% electric automatic operations cost as presented. Alderman Maupin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY

Closed Session

Closed Session

City Attorney Justin Head reported there were three matters for personnel and one matter of real estate for discussion in closed session.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

October 2017
Bills Approved

October 2017

Alderman Alexander reported he reviewed the monthly bills for October 2017 and made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$1,467,262.58. Alderman Maupin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

ORDINANCES

City Collector
Salary Increase

City Collector Salary

Bill No. 3778 sponsored by Alderman Tony Wessler, being an ordinance amending Title One (I) Article Four (IV) of the Municipal Code dealing with compensation of the city collector for the City of Sullivan, Missouri, by repealing Section 115.210 and enacting a new Section 115.210 of said Code in lieu thereof, and establishing the effective date, was introduced and read two times. The question was asked, "Shall Bill No. 3778 become Ordinance No. 3778?" The aldermen were polled and voted as follows: Alderman T.J. Carey, aye; Alderman Tony Wessler, aye; Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye; Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; and Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye. Passage of this ordinance changed the city collector's annual compensation from \$36,000 to \$40,000 effective after the April 2018 municipal election.

Environmental
Monitoring Wells

Water Wells - Environmental Purposes

Bill No. 3779 sponsored by Alderman Bobby Maupin, being an ordinance amending Title Seven (VII) Article One (I) of the Municipal Code dealing with water wells in the City of Sullivan, Missouri, by repealing Section 705.040 and enacting a new Section 705.040 of said Code in lieu thereof, and establishing the effective date, was introduced and read two times. The question was asked, "Shall Bill No. 3779 become Ordinance No. 3779?" The aldermen were polled and voted as follows: Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman T.J. Carey, aye; Alderman Tony Wessler, aye; and Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye. Passage of this ordinance allows private monitoring water wells that may be required for purposes of conducting environmental investigations.

ALDERMEN INPUT

Halloween Events

Halloween Spooktacular

Alderman Dalton commended the Chamber of Commerce on the "Spooktacular" event held on Halloween. Several aldermen also reported on other local events. Also mentioned was the "Trunk R Treat" at the fairgrounds being held Saturday, October 21, 2017. This was held last year at Lowe's — but for more space, has been moved out to the city fairgrounds. The local girl scouts will be hosting a "Trunk R Treat" event the following weekend at the Jim Bottomley Park swimming pool parking lot.

MAYOR INPUT

Code Enforcement

Code Enforcement Report

Mayor Watz reported that Code Enforcement conducted 154 nuisance compliance checks on properties that had a change in utility account ownership. This is a proactive step in verifying compliance of properties to the city’s nuisance code. These checks are in addition to responding to any complaints received and other internally generated inspections.

CITY CLERK INPUT

FCML Meeting

FCML Meeting

The Franklin County Municipal League meeting will be held on October 18, 2017 in New Haven, Missouri.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session

The time was approximately 7:30 p.m. and Alderman McCulloch made a motion to adjourn into closed session to discuss three matters concerning personnel and concerning real estate. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye; Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman T.J. Carey, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; and Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.



CLOSED RESULTS

Closed Results

As a result of the closed meeting held October 17, 2017 one matter concerning real estate was discussed with no results to report at this time. Three matters concerning personnel were also discussed with the Board taking the following action:

1) Bartle Promotion

Bartle Promoted

A motion was made and duly seconded to promote B.J. Bartle to the position of semi-skilled laborer at a Grade 9(1) \$14.80 per hour with an effective date of October 25, 2017. He was promoted to replace former Parks employee James Fore. The motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman T. J. Carey, aye; and, Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.

2) Hire d - Craig Price

Craig Price Hired

A motion was made and duly seconded to hire Craig Price as a semi-skilled laborer in the Parks Department at a Grade 9(1) \$14.80 per hour, contingent upon successful completion of preemployment screening and paperwork. The motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman T. J. Carey, aye; and, Alderman Tony Wessler, aye. The projected start date submitted was October 25, 2017.

3) Hire d - Joseph Cochran

Joseph Cochran Hired

A motion was made and duly seconded to hire Joseph Cochran as police patrolman with a starting

date of November 1, 2017 contingent upon successful completion of preemployment screening and paperwork, at a Grade 10(4) \$17.79 per hour. The motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Mark Dalton, aye; Alderman Bobby Maupin, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman T. J. Carey, aye; and, Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.

RETURN TO OPEN

The Board reconvened into open session at approximately 8:05 p.m.



ADJOURN

Being no further business at this time, Alderman McCulloch made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:05 p.m.