

# DRAFT NOTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

June 18, 2013

(Subject to Approval at the July 2, 2013 Meeting)

## HEARING

Dangerous  
Building  
Hearing

### **Dangerous Building - 422 Sappington Bridge**

422 Sappington  
Bridge

In absence of Mayor Leasor, Alderman Ward Three Dennis Watz called a hearing to order at City Hall, 210 West Washington, at 7:00 p.m. regarding property located at 422 Sappington Bridge Road. Attending the hearing were Alderman Ward One Mike Ryan, Jr., Alderman Ward Three Dennis Watz, Alderman Ward Two Jason Alexander, Alderman Ward One Tony Wessler, and eight citizens. Alderman Ward Three Jarrett Dace and Alderman Ward Two Craig Kase were unable to attend. Also attending were City Attorney Matt Schroeder, City Administrator J.T. Hardy, City Clerk Jan Koch, Code Administrator Dan King, and City Engineer Robert Schaffer. The property located at 422 Sappington Bridge Road was externally inspected by Code Administrator Dan King and property owners were notified to vacate, vacate & repair, or vacate & demolish said building. All the property owners failed to do any of the aforementioned.

### **422 Sappington Bridge Road**

#### *Written Notifications*

Written Notice

City records show that Vicky Bizzle is the owner with Equity Trust Company as the lien holder of unoccupied property at 422 Sappington Bridge Road. On May 23, 2013 certified letters were mailed notifying them that the property was being deemed a dangerous building and to vacate the building and repair or demolish said building. They were notified that a hearing had been scheduled for June 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the council room at City Hall, Sullivan, Missouri with the purpose being to determine whether or not the Board of Aldermen would order the house at 422 Sappington Bridge demolished as recommended by Code Administrator Dan King. The City received the certified letter receipt on May 28, 2013.

#### *Code Administrator Report*

Code  
Administrator  
Report

Code Administrator Dan King reported that external visual inspections revealed the following for 422 Sappington Bridge Road (which is a double-wide trailer placed on a concrete block foundation):

- 1) The roof collapsed on the front half of the structure (thereby allowing rain & snow to enter, further weakening the structural members).
- 2) The front porch is collapsing making it dangerous to gain access to the front door.
- 3) Most of the siding is missing off the rear & right side of the structure (thereby exposing structural members to the elements).
- 4) The concrete block foundation is deteriorating (allowing animals to access the space underneath).

#### *Citizen Input*

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Neighborhood resident Bob Hathman appeared before the Board and stated that he felt the dwelling was a danger---adding that he would be glad to see it removed.

#### *Board Action*

Board Action  
7/2/13

Being no further input, City Attorney Schroeder reported that at the next meeting (7/2/13), the four aldermen present at the hearing need to vote whether to declare the property at 422

Sappington Bridge a dangerous building based on the findings & evidence.

Hearing  
Adjourned

**Hearing Adjourned**

Being no further input, the hearing was declared adjourned at approximately 7:05 p.m.



**CALL TO ORDER**

**Roll Call**

Attendance

In absence of Mayor Thomas D. Leasor, Alderman Ward Three Dennis Watz called the council meeting to order in the Council Room at City Hall, 210 West Washington at 7:05 p.m. Roll call was taken and attending the meeting were Alderman Ward One Mike Ryan, Jr., Alderman Ward Two Jason Alexander, Alderman Ward Three Dennis Watz, and Alderman Ward One Tony Wessler. Alderman Ward Two Craig Kase and Alderman Ward Three Jarrett Dace were unable to attend. Also attending were City Attorney Matt Schroeder, City Administrator J.T. Hardy, 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 Alexander made a motion to approve the agenda as submitted. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Minutes

Notes from the council meeting held June 4, 2013 were presented. Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Notes from the closed meeting held June 4, 2013 were presented. Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

**REQUESTS & PETITIONS**

Destination  
Imagination  
Event 6/22/13

**Hot Air Balloon - Destination Imagination**

Linda Cuneio appeared before the Board reported that *Sullivan Destination Imagination* has planned a Hot Air Balloon Carnival on Saturday, June 22, 2013 from 5:00 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. at the western side of Jim Bottomley baseball fields (Pavilions 1 & 2). The tethered hot air balloon ride from 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. is the highlight of the evening which includes a balloon flow. There will also be other family-friendly games & activities. She reported that *Destination Imagination* is an academic-based organization devoted to teaching students creativity, teamwork, and problem solving.

St. Anthony  
Festival Temp  
Liquor License

**Temporary Liquor License-St. Anthony Parish**

St. Anthony Church submitted an application for a temporary liquor by-the-drink license for August 24 & 25, 2013. The event is their annual parish picnic held at the church grounds located

at 201 W. Springfield. Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the temporary license, contingent upon approval by the State of Missouri. Alderman Wessler seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

P&Z and  
Airport Board

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **P&Z and Airport**

While Planning & Zoning did not have any requests for their June meeting, their next regularly scheduled meeting is for July 9, 2013. The Airport Board held their meeting on June 12, 2013 and discussed plans for the August 17, 2013 Fly-In which includes the appearance of a historical B-25.

July 4<sup>th</sup>  
Fireworks

## **CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT**

### **Independence Day Event**

The Sullivan Area Chamber of Commerce in collaboration with the VFW Post, the Boy Scouts Troop, the Civil Air Patrol, First State Community Bank, and West Brothers will be sponsoring a celebration of Independence Day on July 4, 2013 starting at 7:30 p.m. A fireworks display has been scheduled for 9:15 p.m. Alderman Wessler made the suggestion of adding additional audio speakers to help broadcast the music. Administrator Hardy stated he would pass this request on to the Chamber.

Nova Chip  
Program Status  
Report

### **Nova Chip (Ultrathin Bond Overlay)**

The nova chip overlay program has experienced some delays mainly due to rainy weather and an incident of equipment malfunction. Administrator Hardy thanked residents for their understanding and cooperation. Later on in the meeting, Alderman Alexander reported that residents have indicated to him that they are pleased with the nova chip program.

## **CITY ATTORNEY**

### **Closed Session**

Closed Session

City Attorney Matt Schroeder and City Administrator Hardy reported they had some matters concerning litigation and real estate for closed session.

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

### **June 2013**

June 2013  
Monthly Bills

Alderman Wessler reported he reviewed the monthly bills for June 2013 and made a motion to approve payment in the amount of \$1,296,936.65. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

## **ALDERMEN INPUT**

Get Well Soon  
Alderman Kase

### **Alderman Kase**

Alderman Watz, noting the absence of Alderman Ward Two Craig Kase, asked that he be included in thoughts and prayers regarding his health-related issue.

Trash Service

### **Swinger Sanitation**

Alderman Watz reported that extra bags are being picked up by Swinger Sanitation as promised.

He noted that while there is a limit on the number of extra bags, they said they would pick them up now & then--provided it doesn't happen continuously.

High Grass

**Grass Complaints**

Alderman Alexander reported he has received some complaints about high grass which were turned over to Code Administration. City Administrator J.T. Hardy commented that these complaints can also be placed online at the city's website ([www.sullivan.mo.us](http://www.sullivan.mo.us)).

East Street Widening

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Alderman Ryan reported he has had an inquiry or two about the widening of East Street.

**CITY CLERK**

Franklin Co Municipal League

**FCML Meeting**

City Clerk Jan Koch reminded Board members about the Franklin County Municipal League meeting being held July 17, 2013 in St. Clair, Missouri.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Closed Session

The time was approximately 7:35 p.m., and Alderman Alexander made a motion to adjourn into closed session with closed records and closed votes to discuss matters concerning litigation and real estate. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Mike Ryan, Jr., aye; Alderman Dennis Watz, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; and Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.

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**CLOSED RESULTS**

Closed Results

As a result of the closed meeting held June 18, 2013 one matter concerning litigation and four matters concerning real estate were discussed with no results to report at this time.

**RETURN TO OPEN**

Return to Open

The Board reconvened into open session at approximately 9:20 p.m.

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**ADJOURN**

Adjourn

Being no further business at this time, Alderman Alexander made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:20 p.m.