

DRAFT NOTES OF COUNCIL MEETING

September 2, 2014

(Subject to Approval at the September 23, 2014 Meeting)

CALL TO ORDER

Attendance

Roll Call

Mayor Thomas D. Leasor called the council meeting to order in the Council Room at City Hall, 210 West Washington at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and attending the meeting were Alderman Ward One Tony Wessler, Alderman Ward One Mike Ryan, Jr., Alderman Ward Three Paul McCulloch, and Alderman Ward Two Jason Alexander. Alderman Ward Three Dennis Watz joined the meeting shortly after it convened and Alderman Ward Two Craig Kase was unable to attend. Also attending were City Attorney Justin Head, City Administrator J.T. Hardy, City Engineer Robert Schaffer, and City Clerk Jan Koch.

Pledge

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

Agenda

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

Minutes

MINUTES APPROVED

Notes from the council meeting held August 19, 2014 were presented. Alderman McCulloch made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Notes from the closed meeting held August 19, 2014 were presented. Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Alderman McCulloch seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Homecoming Parade

REQUESTS & PETITIONS

Sullivan High Student Council - Homecoming Parade

Sullivan High School Student Council Vice President Alyssa Heinle submitted a request to have an annual Homecoming Parade on Wednesday, September 17, 2014. The parade would follow the normal route, beginning at the elementary school on Taylor street parking lot and start at 5:00 p.m. The police, fire, and ambulance have been contacted and stated no objections. Alderman Alexander made a motion authorizing the parade as outlined above. Alderman McCulloch seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

P&Z Member Cottrell

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

P&Z

Mayor Leasor reported that P&Z member Dale Cottrell will be moving out of town and plans on submitting his resignation. Mayor Leasor stated that he will bring forth a recommendation for his replacement when that happens.

Airport

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The Airport Board will meet on September 10, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. at the Sullivan Regional

Airport. Mayor Leasor commended the Airport Board on the successful Fly-In despite inclement weather.

Closed Session

CITY ATTORNEY

Closed Session

City Attorney Justin Head and City Administrator J.T. Hardy reported they had some matters concerning real estate, litigation and personnel for closed session.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Finance

Alderman McCulloch was appointed to review the monthly bills for September 2014 with Alderman Wessler named as the alternate.

(Note: At this time, approximately 7:05 p.m., Alderman Watz joined the meeting in progress.)

ORDINANCES

Electric Annual Operations

Reduction
Annual Electric
Operations

Bill No. 3640 sponsored by Alderman Dennis Watz, being an ordinance amending Title One (I) Article Nine (IX) of the Municipal Code dealing with utility fees and costs in the City of Sullivan, Missouri, by repealing Section 160.387 and enacting a new Section 160.387 in lieu thereof; and establishing the effective date was introduced and read two times. The question was asked, "Shall Bill No. 3640 become Ordinance No. 3640?" The aldermen were polled and voted as follows: Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman Craig Kase, (absent); Alderman Mike Ryan, Jr., aye; Alderman Dennis Watz, aye; and Alderman Tony Wessler, aye. Passage of this ordinance would reduce the annual operations adjustment from 5% to 3% which partially compensates the Electric Department's annual operating costs.

ALDERMEN INPUT

Nuisances

Trash

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Alderman Wessler reported on a trash complaint which has been submitted to staff.

Yard Sales

Yard Sale Limits

Alderman Wessler reported he received a complaint about yard sales that appear to be perpetual. Administrator Hardy reported that according to City Code, yard and/or garage sales are allowed as long as the sales do not run more than twice in a twelve-month period on the same lot for more than four days.

Weeds & Vegetation

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Property Lines

Alderman Watz reported that neighbors of an owner of a large lot are complaining about the height of the vegetation being a habitat for rodents and other vermin. Alderman Watz noted however, that the lot is being mowed according to City Code, which is twenty-five feet from all property lines.

Kaden Keller 5K Benefit
Temporary Street Closures - 5K Walk/Run Benefit
Alderman Alexander reported that organizers Benji & Danielle Koonce extended thanks and appreciation to the Board of Aldermen for the temporary road closure on the recent 5K Run/Walk Benefit for the Kaden Keller Family. The 5K was a success and had more than 350 participants.

MAYOR INPUT

Certified Work Ready Proclamation
Proclamation - Certified Work Ready Community
Mayor Leasor read a proclamation signed by Missouri Governor Jay Nixon which proclaimed Franklin County, Missouri as having satisfied all the requirements of being designated a *Certified Work Ready Community*. This acknowledges that the workforce possesses the educational and foundational skills needed to attract, retain, and host services, businesses, and industries which in turn strengthens prosperity and growth.

Community Pride
City Pride
Mayor Leasor stated that he is proud to serve the great City of Sullivan. Referencing a recent rumor about an unconfirmed activity, he emphasized that the city did not and will not endorse or condone any activity based on hatred towards any ethnicity.

CITY CLERK

9/23/14 Council Meeting & Budget
Council Meeting
The next meeting has been rescheduled from September 16 to September 23, 2014 due to a conflict with the annual Missouri Municipal League Conference. A hearing for the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget has been advertised for that same date at 7:00 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session
The time was approximately 7:20 p.m., and Alderman McCulloch made a motion to adjourn into closed session with closed records and closed votes to discuss matters concerning personnel, litigation, and real estate. Alderman Alexander seconded the motion and it carried with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Dennis Watz, aye; Alderman Mike Ryan, Jr., aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; and Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.



CLOSED RESULTS

Closed Results
During closed session, Alderman Wessler left the meeting at approximately 8:00 p.m. As a result of the closed meeting held September 3, 2014 one matter concerning litigation, two matters concerning real estate, and two matters personnel were discussed with no final results to report at this time. Another matter concerning personnel was also discussed with the Board taking the following action:

Christopher Neace Hired
A motion was made and duly seconded to hire Christopher M. Neace as Patrolman with an effective date of September 10, 2014 at a Grade 10-3 (\$15.81/hour). He replaces

Joshua Lovern who is now the School Resource Officer. The motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Dennis Watz, aye; Alderman Mike Ryan, Jr., aye, Alderman Paul McCulloch, aye; Alderman Jason Alexander, aye; and Alderman Tony Wessler, aye.

Return to Open

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The Board reconvened into open session at approximately 9:10 p.m.

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Adjourn

ADJOURN

Being no further business at this time, Alderman McCulloch made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Watz seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10 p.m.

