**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – June 12, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Donald Lathrom, Patrick Parker, Mike Rickerson and Dorothy Lanpher, City Attorney Jim McConnell, City Clerk Cindy Bowman, City Collector Brandie Bowles, City Superintendent Dennie Carothers and Police Chief Raymond Barton.

Guests: Troy Renner, Melissa Ellyson, Corby Cochenour

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Under public comment, Melissa Ellyson expressed her concerns regarding a dog owned by Olivia Maupin. Ms. Ellyson stated that the dog had been aggressive towards herself and she had seen it be aggressive towards children walking to the school.

Corby Cochenour expressed her appreciation for the assistance and expressions of sympathy after the death of her son.

Brandie Bowles stated that the Community Betterment and CYMO groups are fundraising for new playground equipment at the lake. During the Clarence Homecoming $739.05 was raised. Brandie asked if the City would match any funds raised. This will be considered in the budget process.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to approve the agenda. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2017 regular meeting and the May 10 & 16, 2017 special meetings. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer’s report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward: $1,145,527.36

Deposits: $165,127.12

Checks: $156,501.65

Ending Balance: $1,154,152.83

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to accept the treasurer’s reports. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to approve the payment of the city bills. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, moved to approve the liquor license renewals as listed. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Watson read Bill No. 2017-005, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign a Municipal Gas Commission (MGCM) Joint Operating Agreement by title. Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2017-005. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4-Lanpher, Parker, Rickerson and Lathrom

NOES: 0

Bill No. 2017-005 was read by title a second time. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2017-005. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4-Lanpher, Parker, Rickerson and Lathrom

NOES: 0

Bill No. 2017-005 was assigned Ordinance 592.

Bill No. 2017-006, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to sign a Municipal Gas Commission, (MCGM) Gas Sales Agreement, was read by Mayor Watson by title. Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2017-006. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4-Lanpher, Rickerson, Parker and Lathrom

NOES: 0

Mayor Watson read Bill No. 2017-006 by title for the second reading. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2017-006. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4-Rickerson, Parker, Lathrom and Lanpher

NOES: 0

Bill No. 2017-004 was assigned Ordinance 593.

The City Superintendent report was reviewed next. Discussion was held regarding how costs for installation of utilities are handled. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to direct City Attorney McConnell and Superintendent Carothers to draw up an ordinance to implement an installation deposit for the July meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the possible installation of a dump station at the camping area at the Clarence Lake, repairs needed to the shelter house and the possibility of placing a one half cent sales tax for paving on the ballot.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to authorize Superintendent Carothers to purchase a power washer. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to approve the City Superintendent report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to approve the City Clerk Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Police Chief report was reviewed. Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher to approve the report from the Police Chief. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Fire Chief report was reviewed. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to accept the Fire Chief report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to move the July meeting to July 17, 2017 at 6:30 pm. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The bill from Curtis Melson for the completion of the beach area at the lake was reviewed. Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to pay the bill in the amount of $3,760.50 due to the extra work that Mr. Melson had been instructed to do. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Troy Renner, Shelby County Economic Development Director, stated that SCEDB was looking at the option of having a mobile office and requested the use of City Hall meeting area possibly one day per week. Alderman Lathrom moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve this request. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Rickerson moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Subsection 2 – Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate and Subsection 3 – Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 4-Rickerson, Parker, Lanpher and Lathrom

NOES: 0

Regular session ended at 8:24 pm.

**CLOSED SESSION MINUTES** (recorded elsewhere)

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman

City Clerk