**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – August 14, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Kenny Hoffman, Donald Lathrom and Dorothy Lanpher, City Administrator Chuck Wood, City Clerk Cindy Bowman, City Attorney Jim McConnell, Fire Chief Bill Hall and Police Chief Raymond Barton.

Absent: Alderman Byron McLelland

Guests: Dennis Williams, Karen Ragan, Josh Blevins.

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

The public hearing for the property tax rate was opened. The calculated rate is $1.00 for the General Fund, $0.20 for Street and $0.10 for Library per $100.00 assessed value. There being no public comment on the tax rate, the hearing was closed.

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

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 regular meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer’s report was given as follows:

 Balance Brought Forward: $1,125,701.32

 Deposits: $114,665.61

 Checks: $119,811.49

 Ending Balance: $1,120,555.44

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

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

Discussion was held regarding the contract with Walt Daniel concerning the hay ground at the factory property. Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to direct City Administrator Wood to draw up an agreement with Mr. Daniel that should the City sell a portion of the land within five crop years, the city will pay Mr. Daniel $450.00 per acre. On voice vote, the motion carried 2-0, Lathrom abstained.

Mayor Watson read Bill No. 2014-008, an ordinance adding a definition and regulations to ordinances concerning zoning of temporary storage units on residential property, by title. Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve the first reading of Bill No. 2014-008. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

 AYES: 3-Lanpher, Lathrom and Hoffman

 NOES: 0

Mayor Watson read Bill No. 2014-008, an ordinance adding a definition and regulations to ordinances concerning zoning of temporary storage units on residential property, by title a second time. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2014-008. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

 AYES: 3-Lanpher, Lathrom and Hoffman

 NOES: 0

Bill No. 2014-008 was assigned Ordinance 569.

City Administrator Wood presented the following bids for street grinding.

Bobcat of St. Louis $1,650.00/40 hours of rental. Additional hours @ $37.50/hour – City crews doing all work

Curtis Melson $4,482.00 for his machine and one man for 40 hours

Walt Daniel $170.00/hour for his machine and one operator ($6,800.00 for 40 hours)

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Hoffman, to accept the bid from Curtis Melson in the amount of $4,482.00. On voice vote, the motion carried 2-0, Lathrom abstained.

Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to accept the City Administrator report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to accept the Police Chief report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Hall stated there would be an open house at the fire station, Saturday, August 23rd from noon to 3:00 pm. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to accept the Fire Chief report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Hoffman, to approve the tax rates as presented in the tax hearing pending approval of the State Auditor’s Office. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Lathrom moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to go in to closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 subsection 1 – Legal actions involving a governmental body, subsection 2 – Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate and subsection 3 – Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

 AYES: 3-Hoffman, Lanpher and Lathrom

 NOES: 0

Regular session ended at 7:32 pm. A five minute recess was held before beginning the closed session.

**CLOSED SESSION MINUTES** (recorded elsewhere)

The meeting returned to open session at 8:13 pm.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman

City Clerk