**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – September 12, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Larry Roberts, Mike Rickerson, Donald Lathrom and Dorothy Lanpher, City Administrator Chuck Wood, City Clerk Cindy Bowman, City Superintendent Dennie Carothers, City Attorney Jim McConnell and Police Chief Raymond Barton.

Guests: Troy Renner, Mark Roemmelt, Faith Roemmelt, Ethan Caldwell, Jennifer Caldwell, Bill Dees of MECO Engineering and Troy Treasure

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:29 pm.

During the public comment portion of the meeting, Faith Roemmelt informed the Board that she and Mark, along with Ethan and Jennifer Caldwell, had just purchased the property at 108 S. Center. Discussion was held regarding the requirements for a Liquor By the Drink license. The application for a liquor license was turned in just prior to the meeting. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to approve a five percent (5%) beer and wine license pending state approval. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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

Alderman Lathrom moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 regular and August 25, 2016 special meetings. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer’s report was given as follows:

 Balance Brought Forward: $1,226,343.94

 Deposits: $144,638.40

 Checks: $212,631.30

 Ending Balance: $1,158,121.04

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

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

Bill Dees, MECO Engineering, addressed the Board concerning TAP grants and Community Development Block grants.

Discussion was held regarding the spraying of the lily pads at the lake. Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to spray this fall and use the dye in the spring. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

It was decided to move the October meeting to Tuesday, October 11th due to City Hall being closed on Monday, October 10th for Columbus Day.

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

The City Superintendent Report was reviewed next. Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to accept the City Superintendent 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.

Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve the Fire Chief Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Bowman stated that Mike Tompkins was retiring from doing municipal audits and a request for proposals for auditing services should be sent. Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to approve seeking proposals for auditing services. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderman Rickerson, to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Subsection 3 - Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

 AYES: 4-Lanpher, Roberts, Rickerson and Lathrom

 NOES: 0

**CLOSED SESSION MINUTES**

Closed session began at 7:40 pm.

Discussion was held regarding the paying of the firemen for calls and concerns of abuse by certain firemen.

City Administrator Wood stated that Brandie Bowles would complete the 90 day probationary period September 23rd. There were no objections to a pay increase for completing the probationary period.

Alderman Roberts moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, to go out of closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 Subsection 3 – Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting of particular employees. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

 AYES: 4-Rickerson, Roberts, Lathrom and Lanpher

 NOES: 0

Closed session ended at 7:53 pm.

**REGULAR SESSION MINUTES (Continued)**

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

The meeting ended at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman

City Clerk