**Regular Board Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2015 – 6:30 p.m.**

Present: Mayor James A. Watson, Aldermen – Kenny Hoffman, Byron McLelland, 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: Dennis Williams and Troy Renner.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order at 6:26 pm.

Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderwoman Lanpher, 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 December 8, 2014 regular meeting and closed session. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer’s report was given as follows:

 Balance Brought Forward: $1,096,683.25

 Deposits: $146,478.76

 Checks: $131,394.80

 Ending Balance: $1,111,767.21

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

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

The City Administrator report was reviewed next. Alderwoman Lanpher moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to accept the City Administrator report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Superintendent Carothers stated that the drag chain in the spreader bed had broken and needs to be replaced. A new one will cost approximately $1,000.00. Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderman McLelland, to authorize Superintendent Carothers to purchase a new drag chain. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

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

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

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

Alderman Hoffman stated that he had been reviewing the signage for the snow routes. Alderman McLelland moved, with a second by Alderman Lathrom, to authorize Alderman Hoffman and Superintendent Carothers to proceed with the recommendations. On voice vote, the motion carried 3-0, with Alderman Hoffman abstaining.

Alderman Lathrom stated that a committee has been formed to keep the elementary school in Clarence. It was decided that City Administrator Wood will draft a letter or resolution stating the Board’s support.

Mayor Watson expressed his appreciation to all those who responded to the incident at the Care Center. City Administrator was directed to place a thank you in both the Clarence Courier and Shelbina Weekly expressing the Board’s appreciation.

Alderman Hoffman moved, with a second by Alderman McLelland, to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 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: 4-Hoffman, Lanpher, Lathrom and McLelland

 NOES: 0

Regular session ended at 7:32 pm.

**CLOSED SESSION MINUTES** (recorded elsewhere)

Regular session resumed at 8:07 pm.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman

City Clerk