

NOVEMBER 02, 2009

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M.

ITEM # 1 - Mayor Dennis Wilson called the meeting to order with councilpersons, Don Moore, Jim White, Rodney Edwards, David Watkins, Danielle Verkamp, Richard Woolsey, and Margaret Roberts present for the meeting. Also present for the meeting the City Clerk, Candace Connell, Mike Licklider, Terry Gibson, Leader Journal's Kathleen Meyer, and Saint James Press Chris Daniels.

ITEM # 2 – Mayor Wilson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Wilson announced Agenda Item # 11 will be moved to the end of the agenda.

ITEM # 3 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Don Moore the October 05, 2009 Public Hearing, Regular Council and Special Meeting October 19, 2009 minutes were approved as written. Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter-absent, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 4 – On a motion by Jim White and a second by Don Moore it was unanimously approved the paying of the October bills. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter – absent, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 5 – Citizen Input: None

ITEM # 6 – Proposed Ordinance # 09-066 to amend the Procurement Policy was given to the City Council prior to the meeting, posted twenty four hours in advance of the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. It passed on a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Rodney Edwards. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-nay, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter – absent, Richard Woolsey - nay.

ITEM # 7 - Proposed Ordinance # 09-967 – regarding no parking on the E. side of North Springfield from James Blvd. to St. Ann St. was given to the City Council prior to the meeting, posted 24 hours in advance of the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. It passed on a motion by Rodney Edwards and a second by Margaret Roberts. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-nay, Jim White-nay, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter – absent, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 8 - Resolution # 2009-171 – Stating intent to withdraw from the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri providing the official 24 months notice of termination of the gas purchasing contract and membership was given to the City Council prior to the meeting and read once by title at the meeting. It passed unanimously on a motion by David Watkins and a second by Jim White. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter – absent, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 9 – Future electrical upgrade projects will cause funding and financing issues, therefore on a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Don Moore it was unanimously approved for Candace Connell to submit Request For Qualifications to hire a financial advisor for this endeavor. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Aaron Hunter – absent, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 10 – Discussion of the swimming pool revealed the design committee voted unanimously to stay with the 25 yard swimming pool design plan. Information received to this date reveals the pool will be open the summer of 2011. We will solicit separate bid packets for the pool bath house and mechanical building.

ITEM # 11 – Moved to # 15

ITEM # 12 – Candace Connell reported as follows:

- EEZ has been official approval.
- Brad Frazier is the chairman of the EEZ board and they plan to meet the first part of December.
- The EEZ is not only for new businesses but for expanding existing businesses also.
- The sidewalk project should be completed in 120 days after the paper work is finished.
- Comprehensive Planning meetings are scheduled at M.R.P.C. on November 5th, Dec. 3rd and Jan. 7th.
- IDA is getting involved in action items for Economic Development for our community.
- November 12th a Community Public Relations meeting to plan events for 2010.
- We are working to get a list together, looking ahead ten years, regarding the Capital Improvement process for the city.

ITEM # 13 – Committee Reports:

Danielle Verkamp and David Watkins reported they have received several storm water related complaints.

Don Moore reported the Tourism Tax Commission is very helpful in setting goals, schedules and objectives for the Tourist Information Center.

Rodney Edwards reported the Park Board reviewed the pool plans at their last meeting and everything was favorable. He reported the board agreed the policy not allowing the sell of alcohol at the park for fund raisers should remain as is.

Margaret Roberts reported 15 applications had been received for the Chief of Police position and the Police Committee reviewed them and narrowed them down for the interview process. She also reported the rehire of Dan Kilgore to the police department with a starting pay of \$13.95 an hour.

ITEM # 14 – Mayor Wilson commented on:

- The great job Mike Licklider did forecasting the revenue in reference to the PILOT.
- A survey will be handed out to each employee for input regarding the City's appreciation dinner.
- The quality of the Police Chief applicants was impressive.
- The trees across from the J.F.H. High School had to be cut to make room for the new, wider sidewalks.

ITEM # 15 – The Council then toured the Police Department to see the need they have for more room.

ITEM # 16 – On a motion by David Watkins and a second by Don Moore the meet adjourned.

Mayor – Dennis Ira Wilson

ATTEST:

City Clerk

OCTOBER 2009 BILLS & SALARIES		DEPOSITED IN GEN FUND	
GENERAL	\$ 17,640.31	RE TAX/BLDG PERMIT/MISC	\$ 879.97
POLICE	\$ 34,552.23	CABLE TV FRANCHISE	\$ -
COMMUNITY DEV.	\$ 5,247.11	SALES TAX	\$ 44,468.66
ENGINEER	\$ -	INTEREST	\$ 485.51
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 2,259.85	MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 4,349.00
SANITATION	\$ 27,877.62	SANITATION	\$ 32,568.54
STREET	\$ 28,822.80	GAS TAX/PERMITS	\$ 12,049.49
TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ 229.43	TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ 22,234.46
TIC	\$ 3,135.36	TIC	\$ 6,725.81
PARK	\$ 1,387.86	PARKS	\$ 3,581.78
SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 8,819.89	SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 1,336.97
UT TO REIMB	\$ (5,623.29)	UT PILOT	\$ 30,625.89
TOTAL	\$ 124,349.17		\$ 159,306.08

Cc: Mayor – Watkins- White – Edwards – Roberts – Moore – Hunter – Verkamp - Woolsey