

June 8, 2015
St. James Municipal Center
Regular City Council Meeting

AGENDA ITEM: Call To Order

Mayor White called the meeting to order. The following councilmembers were present: Councilman Sachs, Councilman Anselm, Councilwoman Weatherly, Councilman Huster, Councilman Smith, Councilman Tonding, Councilman Edwards and Councilman Watkins. City Clerk Sarah Wheeler was also in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM: Pledge Of Allegiance

Mayor White led the council and citizens in the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA ITEM: Citizens Comments

Discussion: John McCallister

John McCallister spoke to the Council once again on the carport issue. He stated he would like to set up a time to meet with the Mayor and discuss the issue further. Mayor White and Mr. McCallister agreed to meet Thursday, June 11, 2015 at 1:00 pm.

AGENDA ITEM: Approve Minutes

Vote or To Do: New Vote Item

Councilman Sachs made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2015 and May 26, 2015 council meetings. Councilman Anselm seconded the motion. All Council members voted "aye".

AGENDA ITEM: Bills

Vote or To Do: New Vote Item

Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Councilman Watkins seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted "aye".

AGENDA ITEM: Bill No 15-1065

Amending language in Chapter 24, Utility Repairs & Maintenance

Discussion: New Discussion Item

Mayor White let the council know that the utility board had recommended changing the current ordinance to add wording that would clarify the ordinance already in place. Clerk Wheeler read Bill No. 15-1065 for the first reading. The council briefly discussed the bill and will have the second reading and vote at the July meeting.

AGENDA ITEM: Sanitation Truck

Discussion: Sanitation Truck

Mayor White let the council know that one of the sanitation trucks is currently broke down. He presented a letter from Downing stating that they had inspected the repairs and the truck in its current state is too dangerous to drive. The cost to fix the truck would be approximately \$17,000 and to rent a truck would be \$200 per day.

A motion was made by Councilman Tonding to rent a truck for \$200 per day from Downing until bids are taken and presented with the cost to fix the current truck. Councilman Anselm seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

The council asked for Sanitation Supervisor, Terry Gibson to get bids on the cost to repair the truck and have by the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM: Cemetery Plots

Discussion: Cemetery Plots

Corky Stack with Stack Engineering spoke with the council and let them know he was interested in trading a small piece of city property that adjoined his property for his engineering services to lay out the new section of the city cemetery. Mayor White asked the council if they would be interested in a trade or if they would rather purchase the services outright. The council asked Corky to present 2 agreements at next month’s council meeting showing both the cost to either purchase the engineering services to have the cemetery laid out and an agreement to trade the land for engineering services. They would then take a closer look and make a decision from there.

AGENDA ITEM: Mayors Comments

Discussion: Mayors Comments

Mayor White mentioned the following items:

- Robert Tessaro along with a committee is working on nuisance ordinances and codes to be presented to the council at a later date.
 - We will hold a utility budget meeting around the third week of July. Give the new administrator time to get into the job and understand utilities first.
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AGENDA ITEM: Closed Session

Councilman Smith made a motion to close the regular session and go into closed session for personnel reasons as allowed under RSMo 1988, Chapter 610.021. Councilwoman Weatherly seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all councilmembers voted “aye”.

AGENDA ITEM: Adjourn

Vote or To Do: New Vote Item

Councilman Watkins made a motion to come out of closed session and go back into regular open session. Councilman Tonding seconded the motion. Upon roll call, all councilmembers voted “aye”.

Councilman Watkins made a motion to adjourn the regular city council meeting. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.