

**February 13, 2017  
St. James Municipal Center  
City Council Meeting**

**AGENDA ITEM: Call to Order**

Mayor White called the meeting to order. Councilmembers Smith, Huster, Edwards, Weatherly, Mitchell, Sachs, Watkins and Anselm were in attendance. City Administrator Harold Selby and City Clerk Sarah Wheeler were also in attendance.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Call to Order**

Mayor White led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Agenda Approval**

Councilman Watkins made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Anselm seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted “aye”

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**AGENDA ITEM: MINUTES: January 9, 2017 Meeting**

Councilman Sachs made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 9, 2017 regular meeting. Councilman Mitchell seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Bills**

Councilman Mitchell made a motion to approve the bills to be paid. Councilman Anselm seconded the motion. All Councilmembers voted “aye”

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**AGENDA ITEM: Citizen Comments**

Katherine Upchurch with MO S & T College Engineers, spoke to the council about her group project and working with the library to figure out the best plan for renovations.

Ewell Lawson with MPUA presented the council with a check for \$116,983 for a grant for the Phelps Sub Station.

Samantha Madison with MRPC spoke to the council and citizens about the Mobility Service program put on through MRPC and the voucher program which would help kids, seniors and the disabled. Currently MRPC is looking for donations so they can keep the program running longer.

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**AGENDA ITEM: School Resource Officer Contract**

The council discussed and reviewed the contract with the school for the SRO Program. Chief Jones was asked to make changes on page 5 to add the cost of the benefits to the salary, page 8, paragraph XIV to spell out each party entering into contract, and finally page 9 to change the Mayors name. Councilman Smith made a motion to table the contract until the changes are made. Councilman Huster seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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**AGENDA ITEM: MODOT Highway Agreement**

The council discussed the agreement with MODOT to pave N. Jefferson to 68 split and the City would be responsible for paving the parking spaces along that route. The cost to the city would be \$4,185 to MODOT. Councilman Mitchell made a motion to enter into the agreement for the work to be completed. Councilman Sachs seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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## **AGENDA ITEM: Code Book Updates – Chapter 210**

Harold explained to the Council that Chapter 210 needed to be updated in the City of St. James Code book as soon as possible to comply with state statutes that changed January 1, 2017. Councilman Sachs made a motion to approve the new Chapter 210 as presented to the council. Councilman Huster seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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## **AGENDA ITEM: Ordinance No. 17-1092**

Clerk Wheeler read Ordinance No. 17-1092 for the first reading. If approved this ordinance would add a paragraph D to Chapter 24, Section 24-51 Water Repairs and Maintenance.

Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the first reading. Councilman Huster seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”. The second reading will take place next month.

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## **AGENDA ITEM: Archer-Elgin Proposal**

Harold explained that this proposal would be to feed water to the water tower on Parker Street to the water tower behind City Hall. The designs and permits will cost \$69,637, and the total project will cost \$443,400. Councilman Anselm made a motion to approve the proposal. Councilman Smith seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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## **AGENDA ITEM: Resolution 17-255**

Clerk Wheeler read Resolution No. 17-255 out loud for the first and only reading. This resolution approves the City Administrator to send off the paperwork for a trail grant. Councilman Edwards made a motion to approve Resolution No. 17-255. Councilman Mitchell seconded the motion. Councilman Watkins voted “no”, all other councilman voted “aye”.

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## **AGENDA ITEM: Department Reports**

**Police:** Councilman Sachs reported that he had attended a training meeting with the Police Department and had been very impressed. He also mentioned that Officer Gray had officially moved to the schools to begin the SRO program, and Officer Tinsely had taken Gray’s spot in the department.

**Public Works Director:** Lyle Thomas reported water main breaks and a sewer break. He mentioned that two (2) utility poles had been hit this month, a speed trailer had been set from MRPC to sit out another week to help collect traffic counts. He mentioned that a Sanitation employee had been stuck with a needle while picking up trash and therefore Lyle would order new gloves for the department that are stick proof. Finally, Lyle mentioned that they would be having a street sweeper demo to look at a new sweeper tomorrow at 10 am for anyone that wanted to attend.

**Parks:** Councilman Mitchell reported that the Park Board would be holding their meeting this coming Wednesday.

**Street:** Councilman Huster reported the street department had been doing a good job at cleaning up debris around town.

**Sanitation:** Councilman Watkins mentioned the new recycle truck had come in Friday.

**IDA:** Councilman Sachs reported no meeting this month.

**Chamber:** Councilwoman Weatherly reported that the Chamber had a great turn out for their annual dinner. March the Chamber would be partnering with the Veterans Home to collect items and donations. Sip N Savor would be held May 6<sup>th</sup> this year and the Rodeo would be August 5<sup>th</sup>. Finally, the quarterly chamber luncheon would be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> this month.

**Schools** – Councilman Smith reported that the schools are very pleased with the new SRO program.

**Humane Society** – Councilman Edwards reported that he had requested a copy of their budget and other numbers to begin looking at how they are spending their money.

**City Administrator:** Administrator Selby told the council that next month we would be starting the meeting at 6:30 pm for a public hearing for a library grant. He also reported that they city had received over \$800,000 in grants in the past year and a half.

**Mayor:** The Mayor had no new information to report.

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**AGENDA ITEM: Adjourn**

With no further business to discuss Councilman Watkins made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Sachs seconded the motion. All councilmembers voted “aye”.

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Jim W. White, Mayor

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Sarah Wheeler, City Clerk

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