

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
FREDERICKTOWN, MISSOURI
AUGUST 23, 2010
5:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Tripp called the meeting to order. Those present on roll call were: Alderman Merriman, Alderman Brown, Alderman Polete, Alderman Reutzel, Alderman Walts, and Alderman Thomas. Also present were: City Administrator Dismuke, City Attorney Moore, City Engineer Baer, City Clerk Stevens, department heads and visitors.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1) **Minutes of the work session meeting of August 9, 2010.** A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Thomas to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1) **Additions or deletions.**

Delete from Work Session Business: #3.

2) **Approval of agenda.** A motion was then made by Polete with a second by Brown to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

D. WORK SESSION BUSINESS

1) **Consideration of the bid(s) for the 1977 fire truck.** Council reviewed the one bid received. A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Brown to approve the bid of the Sedgewickville Fire Protection District of \$1300.00 Motion carried.

2) **Request by the Fire Department for the Court Square/East Main for the Third Firemen's Chili Cook-off on Saturday, October 9th from 6:00 am to 4:00 pm.** A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Reutzel to approve the request. Motion carried.

3) **Discussion concerning the adoption of a property maintenance code as part of our building code ordinances. (ordinance included*) (Macke)** Macke reviewed the purpose of the ordinance. Attorney Moore said he had concerns with the ordinance. He stated the ordinance would adopt the International Code for property maintenance for 2009; however, the code refers to other codes we do not have in place. He went on to say the other codes need to be individualized to the city's present ordinances. He suggested adopting the 2009 Int'l Code first. Council discussed the possibility of having various contractors come in to discuss the 2009 code before the city adopts. A motion was then made by Merriman with a second by Polete to table this ordinance until we look over the code as a whole. Motion carried.

4) **Recommendation from the P&Z for the following changes to zoning ordinances.** After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Brown with a second by Reutzel to take to full council for approval. Motion carried.

E. CLOSED SESSION (As authorized by RSMo Section 610.021) Motion was made by Brown with a second by Polete to go into Closed Session. Roll call vote resulted in six ayes, zero nays, and zero absent. The account of the Closed Session is exempt from the public record and is on file in the office of the City Clerk pursuant to RSMo 610.024. The following motions and votes were taken in Closed Session:

1) Personnel matter. Discussion only, no voting actions taken at this time.

Motion was made by Brown with a second by Merriman to return to Open Session. Motion carried.

F. ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Polete with a second by Merriman to adjourn.
Motion carried.

Mark Tripp, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Stevens, City Clerk

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FREDERICKTOWN, MISSOURI
DAY/DATE: MONDAY, AUGUST 23, 2010
CITY HALL
6:30 PM

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor Tripp called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Those present on roll call were: Alderman Brown, Alderman Reutzler, Alderman Merriman, Alderman Polete, Alderman Walts and Alderman Thomas. Also present were: City Administrator Dismuke, City Attorney Moore, City Engineer Baer, City Clerk Stevens, department heads and visitors.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1) Minutes of the regular council meeting of August 9, 2010. A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Polete to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

C. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS, REMARKS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (each speaker is limited to 3 minutes or less)

D. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- 1) Additions or deletions.
Delete: New Business Item #5
Add: One (1) personnel item to Closed Session (Dismuke).
- 2) Approval of the agenda. A motion was made by Polete with second by Brown to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

E. PRESENTATIONS

- 1) None.

F. REPORT FROM OFFICERS

- 1) Mayor's report including appointments to the IDA. Mayor Tripp recommended the re-appointment of Don Middendorf to the IDA term 2015. A motion was made by Walts with a second by Thomas to re-appoint Middendorf. Motion carried with five (5) ayes and one (1) nay (Merriman).
Mayor Tripp stated he had been contacted by Road Riders for Jesus regarding a parade they would like to schedule for September 10th. A motion was made by Polete with a second by Thomas to approve the event. Motion carried.
Mayor Tripp received a request by the Beautification Committee for permission for an Adopt a Pole for the autumn season. A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Walts to allow the autumn project. Motion carried.

G. REPORT FROM SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND STAFF

- 1) Financial report – July (Shinn)
- 2) City Administrator report. Dismuke requested council to consider several purchase orders from the electric department to replenish distribution materials . . . transformers (\$9114) and electrical supplies (\$3163.20). Dismuke explained the restocking was due to the new school trailers. A motion was made by Brown with a second by Walts to approve the purchase orders. Motion carried.
- 3) Municipal Court docket - July.
- 4) Municipal Court statistics – July.

H. OLD BUSINESS

- 1) None

I. NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Discussion concerning alternatives for the electric rate increase (Mayor). Mayor Tripp turned the discussion to city finance officer Greg Shinn who referred council to a memo addressing the electric increase alternatives. Shinn began by stating the city revenues need to be kept at \$4.4 million; therefore if the increase is changed the only alternative would be to re-allocate the rate increase. That is, instead of small commercial businesses receiving the higher rate increase, the higher rate would be placed on the

residential customers instead. Several in attendance gave their opinion on the rate increases as well as the alternatives. A lengthy discussion ensued with no real definitive answer that would satisfy all parties.

2) **Reconsideration of Bill #B10-43 vetoed by the Mayor, Shall the bill pass, the objections of the mayor thereto notwithstanding?** A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Walts to call the question "Shall the bill pass, the objections of the mayor thereto notwithstanding? Motion carried. Moore called for a roll call vote: voting aye: Merriman, Polete, Walts, Brown and Thomas; voting nay: Reutzel. Ordinance amending Section 710.050 to establish a schedule of rates for electric service, provide for automatic purchase power cost adjustments and automatic operating cost adjustments for electric utility rates passed. **Ordinance 10-43 duly adopted.**

3) **Consideration of a request for a liquor license (picnic) for the annual St. Michael's Oktoberfest (October 3rd)** Motion was made by Walts with a second by Merriman to approve the one day liquor license. Motion carried.

4) **Ordinance amending Section 105.030 of Chapter 105 changing the number of regular council session.** Council discussed how the monthly meetings would be set up once the ordinance was adopted. A discussion ensued over the PDO and BFP committees and whether they should be maintained. A motion was then made by Walts with a second by Brown to table this ordinance. Motion carried.

5) **Ordinance amending Chapter 405 to conform to changes in the zoning code.** A motion was made by Polete with a second by Merriman that as the ordinance was made available prior to the meeting it be read the first time by title only. Motion carried. Moore read the ordinance. A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Brown to read the ordinance the second time by title only. Motion carried. **Ordinance 10-44 duly adopted.**

6) **Ordinance amending Title IV, Chapter 405, Section 405.090 E adding use of temporary signs.** A motion was made by Merriman with a second by Thomas that as the ordinance was made available prior to the meeting it be read the first time by title only. Motion carried. Moore read the ordinance. A motion was made by Brown with a second by Walts to read the ordinance the second time by title only. Motion carried. **Ordinance 10-45 duly adopted.**

J. **ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

1) **Accounts payable.** A motion was made by Brown with a second by Walts to approve the bills. Motion carried.

K. **REMARKS OF SPECIAL PRIVILEGE BY THE BY THE ALDERMAN**

L. **CLOSED SESSION BUSINESS** (As authorized by RSMo Section 610.021) (As authorized by RSMo Section 610.021) Motion was made by Merriman with a second by Brown to go into Closed Session. Roll call vote resulted in six ayes, zero nays, and zero absent. The account of the Closed Session is exempt from the public record and is on file in the office of the City Clerk pursuant to RSMo 610.024. The following motions and votes were taken in Closed Session:

- 1) Personnel matter – After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Walts with a second by Brown to hire Deb Singleton for the Water Plant at \$7.25 per hour part time/no benefits for a thirty day probationary period. At the end of the thirty days department head Shell is to provide council with a job evaluation before any continuing employment. Motion carried.
- 2) Litigation matter – Discussion only, no voting actions necessary.
- 3) Real estate matter – Discussion only, no voting actions taken.

A motion was made by Brown with a second by Walts to return to Open Session. Motion carried.

M. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

N. **ADJOURNMENT.** Motion by Polete with a second by Walts to adjourn. Motion carried.

Mark Tripp, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Stevens, City Clerk