

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 18TH, 2020

Call to order: A meeting of the Council was held on February 18th, 2020 in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 215 Chester Ave. Mayor Norman Brant called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following council members were present: Randy Morse, Tim Porch, Victor Phillips, Robert Foulk, Kenny Page, Mike Rhymer, Heather Ingvalson and Gary Spinks.

Absent: None

Also, Present: City Attorney, Frank Siebert; Chief of Police, Michael Culler; Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth; Fire Chief, Trent August; Code Enforcement Officer, John Reeves; City Administrator, Mike Dudek. Absent: Parks Director, Skylar Cobb.

Prayer and Pledge: Prayer was led by Dustin Whitworth and Pledge was led by Mayor Norman Brant.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from February 3rd, 2020 made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Tim Porch. All in Favor: None opposed; Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$31,281.32 was made by Councilman Randy Morse; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Public Hearing: Attorney, Frank Siebert and Code Enforcement Officer, John Reeves, asked the Council to accept the provided exhibits to confirm for the condemnation of 508 Elmwood. Jerry Robison owns 508 Elmwood and was not present at the time of hearing. While asking to seek ordinance of condemnation for 508 Elmwood, the question from Councilman Randy Morse was made on if the property had been vacant for an extended period of time. Frank Siebert and John Reeves both confirmed that it had indeed been vacant for an extended period. Councilman Randy Morse made the motion to accept the exhibits presented. Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Public Forum: Susan Perez informed Council the Historical Museum will open back up on March 7th, 2020. There had been some renovations done to the Museum and everything looks great. The Bicentennial Quilt will be on display at the Museum May 6th, 2020. Charlie Rogers is in charge of the upcoming car show, May 9th. Lastly, there will be a free emergency management training that consists of 24 hours over a span of 2-3 days. Please let Susan know if you are interested.

New Business:

- Bill #1168 Ordinance #1177: An ordinance enacting a new section of the Scott City code relating to receiving stolen property. Motion for first reading was made by Councilman Tim Porch; Motion for second reading was made by Councilman Gary Spinks. Motion to accept Bill #1168

Ordinance #1177 was made by Councilman Gary Spinks; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Roll call vote: R. Morse (AYE), G. Spinks (AYE), T. Porch (AYE), K. Page (AYE), V. Phillips (AYE), R. Foulk (AYE), M. Rhymer (AYE), H. Ingvalson (AYE). AYES: 8; NAYS 0; Motion carried.

- Bill #1169 Ordinance #1178: An ordinance finding property located at 508 Elmwood, Scott City, Missouri constitutes a “dangerous substandard building” requiring demolition. Motion for first reading was made by Councilman Kenny Page; Motion for second reading was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Motion to accept Bill #1169 Ordinance #1177 was made by Councilman Tim Porch; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. Roll call vote: R. Morse (AYE), G. Spinks (AYE), T. Porch (AYE), K. Page (AYE), V. Phillips (AYE), R. Foulk (AYE), M. Rhymer (AYE), H. Ingvalson (AYE). AYES: 8; NAYS 0; Motion carried.

Mayor’s Report:

- Requesting Mike Dudek to write a letter of thanks to Jason Smith.
- Larry Chastain will be at the next Council meeting to discuss his entry on April’s election ballot.
- Asked Council to have Cindy Brashear list the city’s vacant properties. Councilman Randy Morse made the motion to have Cindy Brashear look and list the properties. Seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
- City Hall has issues with rain blowing in the front entrance and drive thru. Would like to get bids to have an awning to cover those areas in case of bad weather.
- Shad Jones will be removed from the Police Board. Shad has not been able to attend many meeting due to his work schedule. Asks that a letter be sent to Shad stating we would love to have his participation in the future if something changes.
- Councilman Tim Porch made the motion to appoint Kenny Ingvalson to the Police Board. Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor; 1 abstained (Heather Ingvalson); Motion carried.

City Administrator, Mike Dudek:

- Mike will be out of town along side of Trent August and Shawn Jackson February 19th through February 21st. They will be traveling to Florida to shadow a Fire Truck Factory and look into new fire apparatuses.
- MML Meeting will be March 10th at 6pm. Please RSVP with Alishia at City Hall as soon as possible.
- Will be working with Trent on ordinance for house numbers.
- Asked Council members for ideas on Capital Improvement funds to supply breakdown for the paper, handouts and other outlets.

Department Reports:

Randy Morse, Admin/Finance: Would like to extend out to the citizens of Scott City either by social media or other outlets a breakdown and explanation of the Capital Improvement tax projects.

Police Chief, Mike Culler:

- 318 service calls and 16 arrests since last meeting
- Tankers are using Nash Rd route.

- K9 Raina is back in service. K9 Raina and Officer Brockmire were away with her training this past week.

Victor Phillips, Police: Nothing to report.

Trent August, Fire Chief:

- 42 calls since last meeting.
- 2 new Firefighter applications were turned in for M. Carter and C. Ashcraft. Councilman Tim Porch made the motion to hire both applicants into the Fire Department. Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
- There is a need for more radios and pagers with the growth of fire personnel. Would like to discuss adding these into the budget for the new fiscal year.
- Thankful for the help on the Fire Station remodel.
- Traveling to Florida on business regarding new Fire Engines.
- Focusing on grant writing. As new items come in the old items will get filed out.
- Noah Crump has been in charge of the Firehouse Subş grant. We should know in a month an update of the grant status.
- Inspections are going well. Smoke alarm violations are a main issue.
- Walk throughs are schedule for next Wednesday at Semo Milling and Yield Plus.
- Havco and Interrail is on the list for walk through in near future.
- Last week's training was packed.

Kenny Page, Fire: Nothing to report.

Skylar Cobb, Park Director: Absent

Heather Ingvanson, Parks: Nothing to report.

Dustin Whitworth, Public Works Director

- Humane Society fees for the year 2020 is \$19,000.
- Cassie Driscoll states our kennel is sufficient to house our own stray animals. Legally we will have to hold them for 5 days.
- Retrieval fee for the animal would be \$50. Must show proof of rabies and city pet tag. The customer will have 7 days to provide this information before a ticket is given.
- Social media will be an outlet to attempt finding the animal's owner. Every effort will be taken to find the animal/pet's home first.
- If the animal becomes adopted we will require spay/neuter and send to Dr. Shively.
- Current employees have volunteered to come in to feed/water the animals housed at the kennel on the weekends two times a day.
- Citizens will not be allowed to drop off unwanted pets to the kennel.
- A conversation with Doug Robert to discuss insurance liability on the kennel project will need to take place.

Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson made the motion to appoint Robyn Foulk as a member on the Park Board. Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; 1 abstained (Robert Foulk); Motion carried.

Next meeting will be March 2nd, 2020 at 7pm.

No further business being presented, moved by Councilman Tim Porch; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks to adjourn at 8:09 pm. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Attest:



Ashley Gentry, City Clerk



Norman Brant, Mayor