

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
FEBRUARY 16, 2016 4:00 P.M.  
CITY OF LAURIE, MISSOURI**

Mayor Pro Tem Greg Lux called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Aldermen: Karen Dobbins, Greg Lux, Allen Kimberling and Jeff Chorpening

Others present were City Clerk Ron Clarke, Dean Smith, John Taylor, and James Elliott

1. Well #3

City Clerk Clarke made a report regarding the Well #3 Failure:

*Well #3 failed Monday February 8<sup>th</sup> at approximately 8:30 am. Flynn drilling was contacted to evaluate the failure, as they were the original installer. Art, from Flynn Drilling arrived sometime later on Monday and confirmed that the problem appeared to be electrical, but the pump would need to be pulled to confirm the extent of the damage. Dean, at my direction, told Art to go ahead and proceed with pulling the pump. It was my opinion that this was an emergency as well #2 did not pump the same volume as well #3 and that due to a rash of leaks in the system, well #2 was having trouble keeping up the water supply. Also, well #2 had a control problem wherein it would not work reliably in automatic, causing Dean to manually reset alarms and start the pump, sometimes in the middle of the night. After determining that the warranty had expired, I contacted Marcie Gustin at Naught-Naught to begin the process of filing a claim. On Wednesday evening, February 10<sup>th</sup>, the Flynn Drilling crew arrived and began setting up to pull the pump. On Thursday the pump was pulled and Art confirmed that the windings were damaged in the pump. Art said he would write up an affidavit as to the nature of the damage that could potentially be used in filing a claim. Well #3 was placed back in service Thursday evening and Dean began the process of flushing the water lines coming from well #3.*

Alderman Lux asked if there was possibly a similar problem with well #2 as we were having issues with it. Dean Smith replied that the problems with well #2 were control/communication problems and that well #2 had a different power supply than well #3. Alderman Chorpening asked if additional phase protection could be added to protect well #3 that could prevent similar damage from happening even if the pump was running. Dean Smith replied that he would work on adding protection. Alderman Chorpening asked if the failed well could be rebuilt and kept in reserve. Dean Smith said he would check into it after the insurance adjuster was done with it.

Alderman Kimberling made a motion to declare the failure of well #3 an emergency. Alderman Chorpening seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Interview selected job applicants

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to go into closed meeting pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) for the purpose of hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting an employee.

Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux	aye
Alderman Chorpening	aye
Alderman Kimberling	aye
Alderman Dobbins	aye

Alderman Kimberling made a motion to adjourn the closed meeting and return to regular meeting. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux	aye
Alderman Chorpening	aye
Alderman Kimberling	aye
Alderman Dobbins	aye

Mayor Pro Tem Lux called the regular meeting to order at 6:28 with the following closed meeting report: the Board voted to retain Larry Westfall as the part time/seasonal maintenance employee at his current rate of pay. The Board voted to offer the sewer position to Steve Hollaway and voted to offer the full-time maintenance position to John Taylor.

Alderman Kimberling made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Greg Lux, Mayor Pro Tem

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Ron Clarke, City Clerk