

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
AUGUST 8, 2016 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF LAURIE, MISSOURI**

Mayor Allen Kimberling called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Allen Kimberling, Aldermen: Karen Dobbins, Carol Gill, Jeff Chorpening, Herb Keck

Others present were City Clerk Ron Clarke, City Attorney Andrew Renken, Chief of Police Mark Black, Dick Dobbins, Martha Moulder, Doug Gill, Colby Powell, Matt VanderTuig, Dean Smith, Steve Hollaway, Susann Huff

Mayor's Communications

None

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Kimberling asked for approval of minutes. Alderman Keck asked if we had to approve each item separate. City Clerk Clarke explained that many cities use a "consent agenda" to approve a list of routine items at one time. He stated that it may require a vote or ordinance to enact such a practice and would report back next meeting.

Alderman Keck made a motion to approve the July 11, 2017 Public Hearing Minutes. Alderman Chorpening seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to approve the July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Gill made a motion to approve the July 26, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes. Alderman Keck seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to approve the July 26, 2017 Closed Meeting Minutes. Alderman Gill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Pending Payments & Addition to Pending Payments

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to approve the pending payments. Alderman Gill seconded. The motion passed unanimously

Unfinished Business

Sidewalk Master Plan Update – City Clerk Clarke reported the Phase 5A drawing had been corrected to show the crosswalk was part of Phase 5B and not Phase 5A

O Road Water Line Feasibility Study – Matt VanderTuig from Bartlett & West presented the O Road Water Line Improvement Feasibility Study. Much discussion about funding options and the need to develop a facility plan and begin the grant application process. Mr. VanderTuig explained that regardless of funding sources, be it grants or low interest loans, the City would need to present a bond issue on the November ballot for 100% of the project cost. In order to have a bond issue on the November ballot the wording would need to be submitted by August 22nd. The Board determined this was not feasible but would work toward preparing it for the April election while at the same time preparing grant applications and the facility plan. Mr. VanderTuig stated he would have a facility plan development proposal prepared for the Board to review.

Comprehensive Master Plan Update – No word yet from Linda Conner. The Board will continue to recruit committee members.

2017 Street Paving Project Update – City Clerk Clarke reported Magruder should be here by August 24th.

Laurie Municipal Court Dissolution Bill Draft – The Board discussed the draft ordinance and what court costs needed to be included. City Attorney Renken stated we need to find out what court costs the county includes and that we may need to include all possible costs, collected or not, in order to be in compliance in the future.

Nuisance/Vegetation Control Ordinance/Amendment - City Clerk Clarke reported on courtesy letters sent to encourage property owners to clean up specific sites. The Board discussed what recourse the City may have to force people to comply. City Clerk Clarke stated he would work with City Attorney Renken to write an amendment to the nuisance ordinance to include "vegetation". The Board briefly discussed the Dangerous Building ordinance and the potential need to address a specific property.

New Business

1. GIS Update Proposal – City Clerk Clarke reported he had asked Bartlett & West to prepare a proposal to assist with updating the GIS system and training City employees on how to maintain the system going forward. City Clerk Clarke hopes the proposal is ready to review at the September meeting. Steve Hollaway expressed his opinion that doing this exercise would save the City much money in the future..

Department Head Reports

A. Public Works Department

- a. **Events** – Susann Huff reported on a successful Hillbilly BBQ
- b. **Water** – No report
- c. **Sewer** – Steve Hollaway reported on the recent DNR inspection and the most recent sludge report specifying the current state of the contamination issue from the car wash. He reported he will need to pump around 50,000 gallons from the system and then retest.

Mark Black, Police Chief

Chief Black provided the following monthly statistics for July 2017: Traffic Stops 22; Summons’ 8; Assist Other Agencies 13; Criminal Activities 122; Calls for Service 560, Arrests 4.

City Clerk

Ron Clarke reviewed the financial report for July 2017. June total of all funds \$2,260,825. General Fund Revenues - \$474,177; General Fund Expenses - \$465,534. Event Fund Revenues - \$20,951; Event Fund Expenses - \$39,314. Water and Sewer Fund Revenues - \$372,198; and Water and Sewer Fund Expenses – \$359,613.

Sales Tax Review: July City Sales Tax was \$14,280; Year to date: \$179,799. This is a decrease of \$6,197 for the same period last year. July Street Sales Tax was \$7,140, YTD \$87,759. This is a decrease of \$3,259 for the same period last year. July Sewer Sales Tax was \$7,140, YTD \$89,899. This is a decrease of \$3,098 for the same period last year.

Andrew Renken, City Attorney

No report

Board Reports

Alderman Dobbins reported the Enhancement & Tree City Committees would both be meeting on August 16th. Alderman Keck asked if we could begin to develop a monthly newsletter to be distributed via mail to the community. There was no objection.

Mayor’s Report

None

Adjourn

Alderman Gill made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Keck seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Allen Kimberling, Mayor

Attest:

Ron Clarke, City Clerk