

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
MARCH 13, 2018 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, Dick Dobbins, Caitlin Shoultz, Dean Smith, Hugh Smith, Julie Smith, Dru Hayes, Abby Johnson, Janet Dabbs

**Citizens' Communication**

None

**Mayor's Communications**

None

**Approval of Consent Agenda Process**

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Keck seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

February 13, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes

February 22, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes

Pending Payments & Addition to Pending Payments

**Unfinished Business**

Post Office Update –City Clerk Clarke reported that as discussed at the February 22 special meeting, the Postal Service intended to move the PO boxes to the Laurie Terrace Mall and offer no other retail services for Laurie. He communicated that Mayor Kimberling has sent a letter to the regional manager Charley Miller expressing that this solution was unacceptable to the residents of Laurie. A copy of this letter was also sent to Claire McCaskill, Roy Blunt, and Vicky Hartzler.

Bond Issue Update – City Clerk Clarke reported that the packets contained the latest version of the talking points to answer any questions from the public and/or to communicate with local civic organizations.

**New Business**

Alderman Keck introduced the First Reading of Council Bill 2018-04, Ordinance 2018-04: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2017-08 Which Designated the Morgan County Associate Circuit Court as Municipal Court for Laurie, to Remove Article II, Section 1 Paragraphs A-5 & A-6, Assessing Court Costs. Alderman Chorpening seconded.

The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Gill	Aye
Alderman Keck	Aye

Alderman Gill introduced the Second Reading of Council Bill 2018-04, Ordinance 2018-04: An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2017-08 Which Designated the Morgan County Associate Circuit Court as Municipal Court for Laurie, to Remove Article II, Section 1 Paragraphs A-5 & A-6, Assessing Court Costs. Alderman Keck seconded.

The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Gill	Aye

Alderman Keck

Aye

Alcohol at the City Park – The Board discussed rescinding Section 600.059 of the Laurie City Code which prohibits alcohol at the Laurie City Park aka the Ball Park. City Clerk Clarke reported he had a draft ordinance ready and reviewed by City Attorney Andrew Renken which read as follows:

No person or persons shall possess or consume any type of intoxicating liquors in the dugouts or the sports playing field in the Laurie Park on State Road RA. No intoxicating liquors in glass containers are permitted at the Laurie Park on State Road RA

Members of the Board discussed policies or changes to the proposed ordinance that would prohibit alcohol during youth activities and non-city sponsored events, yet still allow adults who had permission to use the park to possess alcohol if so desired. City Clerk Clarke and City Attorney Andrew Renken said they would work on a draft that would address these concerns.

Major Case Squad Agreement - Police Chief Mark Black explained the Major Case Squad agreement, which made certain Laurie Police Officers available to other local police forces to assist in investigations and vice versa, and how being a part of this agreement could help Laurie in the future. Alderman Keck made a motion to sign the agreement with the Major Case Squad. Alderman Chorpening seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Gill	Aye
Alderman Keck	Aye

Owner Supervised Program for Laurie Water Department – The Board discussed the options to extend the current Owner Supervised Program, with the assistance of Bartlett & West versus spending the money to update our current Master Plan and renewing the Owner Supervised Program. City Clerk Clarke explained that if we updated the Master Plan at this time, it would not be significantly different than the current plan. If we wait till the O Road project is complete, we could update the Master Plan with a fresh vision for the needs of the City. Therefore extending our current Owner Supervised Program, with the assistance of Bartlett & West may be a more prudent decision. Alderman Gill made a motion to extend our current Owner Supervised Program, with the assistance of Bartlett & West. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Street Repairs – City Clerk Clarke reported he had the 2018 Street Overlay Project Bid Spec almost complete. Alderman Chorpening made a motion to put the Bid Spec out for bid when it was complete. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Department Head Reports**

Events – A proposal was presented to install additional sidewalks at the fairgrounds to assist people in wheel chairs and similar needs to gain access to the restrooms, pavilion, and stage. City Clerk Clarke reported that such a project could be funded by the transportation sales tax. The Board was agreeable to this project and would decide once we obtained additional estimates.

Caitlin Shoults reported on the Ball Park activities, Fair Grounds clean-up during the City wide clean-up day, 5K run, Easter Egg Hunt, T-ball, Soccer, Softball, and Hillbilly Fair. She reported that Camdenton had requested use of our ballpark for games scheduled between them and Versailles as it was a central location. The Board was agreeable to this as long as the City kept control of the concession stand.

Water – Dean Smith reported on the new meter project.

Sewer – Steve Hollaway was not present. City Clerk Clarke reported the new employee Aaron Frank was working out well.

**Mark Black, Police Chief**

Chief Black provided the following monthly statistics for February 2018: Traffic Stops 94; Summons’ 16; Assist Other Agencies 10; Criminal Activities 128; Calls for Service 478, Arrests 7.

PD Vehicle – City Clerk Clarke explained that we could use the money budgeted to purchase a new/used vehicle for miscellaneous use, such as going to the post office and the Enchanted Village, to instead purchase a used police vehicle and make the PD pickup available for miscellaneous use. He reported that the auditor approved this option as long as 15% of the cost came from the police department budget. Alderman Keck made a motion to use the budgeted funds to purchase a used vehicle for the police department. Alderman Gill seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**Ron Clarke, City Clerk**

Ron Clarke reviewed the financial report for February 2018. February total of all funds \$2,140,776. General Fund Revenues - \$70,362; General Fund Expenses - \$126,379, Event Fund Revenues - \$3,292; Event Fund Expenses - \$14,626. Water and Sewer Fund Revenues - \$98,143; and Water and Sewer Fund Expenses – \$123,222.

Sales Tax Review: February City Sales Tax was \$38,930.97. This is an increase of \$8,513 for the same period last year. February Street Sales Tax was \$18,619.57. This is an increase of \$4,238 for the same period last year. February Sewer Sales Tax was \$19,465.38. This is an increase of \$4,256 for the same period last year.

City Clerk Clarke reported he had received an updated lease proposal for the two mowers budgeted in 2018 and the cost had escalated somewhat due to government contract pricing. The new cost was approximately \$450.00 more than budgeted. The Board directed City Clerk Clarke to move forward with the lease agreement ordinance.

**Andrew Renken, City Attorney**

No report

**Board Reports**

Alderman Dobbins reported the Laurie/Sunrise Beach Rotary was donating 10 trees to the City to plant at the fairgrounds and ball park. The Board discussed the need for assistance from the Rotary in keeping them watered.

Alderman Dobbins also reported that an unveiling of the Little Library at the Fair Grounds was planned for the morning of March 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Mayor’s Report**

None

**Closed Meeting**

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and go into closed session pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes Section 610.021(3) to consider hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting an employee. Alderman Keck seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Gill	Aye
Alderman Keck	Aye

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to adjourn the closed session and return to open session. Alderman Gill seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Gill	Aye
Alderman Keck	Aye

Closed meeting adjourned and returned to regular meeting at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Kimberling called the regular meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

City Clerk Clarke reported that the Board made a decision to hire a current reserve officer as full time.

**Adjourn**

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

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Allen Kimberling, Mayor

Attest:

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Ron Clarke, City Clerk