

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
JANUARY 10, 2017 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 Steve Grantham, Chief of Police Mark Black, Dick Dobbins, Martha Moulder, Doug Gill, Hugh Smith, Steve Brooks, Dean Smith, Steve Hollaway, Susann Huff, Colby Powell

Citizens Communication:

Hugh Smith addressed the Board to invite them to an Open House for the new Performing Arts Center/Storm Shelter at Morgan County RII School Sunday January 22.

Mayor's Communications

None

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Gill made a motion to approve the December 13, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Alderman Dobbins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to approve the December 13, 2016 Closed Meeting Minutes. Alderman Keck seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Pending Payments & Addition to Pending Payments

Alderman Keck made a motion to approve pending payments. Alderman Dobbins seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Sidewalk Project Update – City Clerk Clarke reported that Meyers Electric is expected to be on site the week of January 16th and expected to take four weeks to complete the signal upgrade. The Board discussed the Statements of Qualifications submitted for the 2018 TAP Grant application and update to the Sidewalk Master Plan and Estimate for the proposed Phase 5 sidewalk down O road. Alderman Dobbins made a motion to continue with Anderson Engineering. Alderman Chorpening seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Clarke and Alderman Keck reported on a meeting held earlier in the day with representatives from the Laurie Care Center regarding potential additional grant money from an Intermodal Transportation Grant Fund from MoDOT. The Care Center was asking if the City would consider pursuing such additional funding if the proposed Phase 5 was selected as the next Phase of the project. Mr. Clarke reported that he would ask Anderson Engineering to make the Phase 5 estimate the priority to see if it could be complete in time to pursue this grant.

2017 Street Paving Project Update – City Attorney Grantham reported he had made several attempts to meet with Special Eight Road District Attorney Andrew Hardwick. He was told a meeting had been set up with the Mayor, who had no such knowledge. The Board requested that Attorney Grantham prepare a proposal to be presented to the Special Eight Board to either agree to or not, and then pursue paving bids from contractors if they did not agree to the proposal.

Missouri Supreme Court Rulings on Municipal Courts – City Clerk Clarke reported on progress toward meeting Missouri Supreme Court Rule 37 requirements.

Alderman Dobbins introduced the First Reading Council Bill No. 2017-01; Ordinance No. 2017-01: “An Ordinance authorizing and amending the City Budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.” Alderman Keck Seconded. The following vote was recorded:

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

Alderman Gill introduced the Second Reading Council Bill No. 2017-01; Ordinance No. 2017-01: “An Ordinance authorizing and amending the City Budget for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2016.” Alderman Dobbins seconded. The following vote was recorded:

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

Westlake Aquatic Center Friends of the Pool Campaign – City Clerk Clarke reported that the Center was now its own 501C3 non-profit organization. City Attorney Grantham commented that due to this fact, the City could donate if the Board so chose. Some discussion ensued regarding other 501C3 organizations and their own needs and setting a precedent. The issue was tabled until the February meeting.

New Business

Steve Brooks, Shelter Director OKK9 Shelter/Lake Dog and Cat introduced himself and addressed the Board as to the work and service the shelter provides for the community.

Ed Hancock sewer forgiveness was struck from the agenda.

Department Head Reports

Public Works Department

Events – Susann Huff presented a financial report and reported on the Enchanted Village of Lights

Water – Dean Smith reported they had dealt with minor issues over the month.

Sewer – Steve Hollaway reported on the annual CMOM report sent to the DNR.

Mark Black, Police Chief

Chief Black provided the following monthly statistics for December 2016: Traffic Stops 22; Warnings 13; Summons 20; Assist Other Agencies 12; Criminal Activities 12; Calls for Service 330, Arrests 11.

City Clerk

Ron Clarke reviewed the financial report for December 2016. December total of all funds \$2,176,639. General Fund Revenues - \$739,360; General Fund Expenses - \$829,807; Event Fund Revenues - \$108,810; Event Fund Expenses - \$93,301; Water and Sewer Fund Revenues - \$689,579; and Water and Sewer Fund Expenses – \$596,845.

Sales Tax Review: December City Sales Tax was \$29,916; Year to date: \$393,539. This is an increase of \$15,712 for the same period last year. December Street Sales Tax was \$14,735, YTD \$193,207. This is an increase of \$7,379 for the same period last year. December Sewer Sales Tax was \$14,735, YTD \$196,769. This is an increase of \$7,856 for the same period last year.

Steve Grantham, City Attorney

No report

Board Reports

Alderman Dobbins reported the Beautification Award had been presented to Sherry Biron ,State Farm Insurance for their Christmas display.

Mayor's Report

None

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Allen Kimberling, Mayor

Attest:

Ron Clarke, City Clerk