

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
AUGUST 13, 2019 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, Pam Folker, Jeff Chorpening, Herb Keck

Others present were: City Clerk Vanessa Hebrank, City Attorney Andrew Renken, Dean Smith, Jason Jones, Barbie Wood, Dick Dobbins, Tracey Smith, Jim Frederick, Bobbi Aubuchon, Val Ites

Citizens' Communication:

Tracey Smith updated the board on the application for the cultivation and harvesting facility. The license applications have been submitted. If license is approved, construction will take several months but hope to have things going by the first of the year.

Mayor's Communications: None

Approval of Minutes and Pending Payments:

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

Unfinished Business

Route O Water Line Project update – Kyle from Bartlett & West went through the monthly update. Continuing coordination on easements and waiting for comments from DNR. They will be putting together a log of trees over 4" diameter within the proposed easement for future documentation if trees need to be removed after completion. Still have some easement documents to be signed.

Sidewalk Project Update – City Clerk Hebrank provided an update she received from Andrew Eckhart from Anderson Engineering. The topographic survey field and office work complete; boundary survey field and office work complete; MoDOT is still reviewing necessary Environmental Clearances that will be required; contract Bid Documents and Specs are 80% complete; preliminary design is just underway; Aerial Drone survey scheduled for later this week or early next week.

New Business

Laurie Beautification Award – Pam Folker discussed that the enhancement committee is reinstating the beautification award. Award as given to Val's Restaurant and Val was presented a certificate along with the sign that was posted at her place of business.

Liquor License – City Clerk Hebrank reported that a completed application from Mac's at the Lake LLC requesting a liquor license and merchant license had been received.

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to approve the liquor license. Alderman Keck seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Department Head Reports

Events – Barbie Wood reported that the BBQ went very well. Had 30 teams participate this year. Continuing to work on the Hillbilly Fair, Flea Market, which is August 24th, and Soccer registration has started – games will start September 7th. Martin Metal has asked about putting a metal building or gazebo in the park so she wanted to see what the board thought about that. They were supportive. She will get them further information.

Water – Dean Smith reported that all is well with the water department. Gave the board information on the building permits issued and a quote on tree removal in the park that needs to be decided. Alderman Keck asked if any would need to be replaced and Dean thought there may be about a dozen that could be replaced. The Enhancement Committee will discuss and see if there is a grant we can obtain for this tree work.

Sewer – Jason Jones reported that the new clarifier is repaired and they are working to get things back to normal. Other repairs are still ongoing.

Police Dept – Chief Black provided the following monthly statistics for July 2019: Traffic Stops 97, Assist Other Agencies 13, Calls for Service 602, Arrests 1, Citations 25, Warnings 67. Officer Hall resigned so he asked the board for approval to recruit and replace this position. Alderman Keck made a motion for Chief Black to recruit and replace the vacant PD position. Alderman Folker seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Vanessa Hebrank, City Clerk - City Clerk Hebrank reviewed the financial report for July 2019. July total of all funds is \$1,840,166. General Fund Revenues - \$400,819; General Fund Expenses - \$407,532; Event Fund Revenues - \$19,439; Event Fund Expenses - \$47,798; Water and Sewer Fund Revenues - \$423,045; and Water and Sewer Fund Expenses - \$525,623.

Sales Tax Review: July City Sales Tax was \$33,380. This is a decrease of \$2,686 for the same period last year. July Street Sales Tax was \$16,492. This is a decrease of \$1,348 for the same period last year. July Sewer Sales Tax was \$16,690. This is a decrease of \$1,342 for the same period last year.

Andrew Renken, City Attorney – Nothing to report.

Board Reports

Enhancement Committee – Will have a committee meeting on Monday, August 19th at 10:00 a.m.

Tree City – Last Monday, the Missouri Department of Conservation met here at City Hall to go through applications from cities that would like to become Tree City USA cities.

Mayor's Report – Nothing to report.

Closed Meeting

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting and go into closed session pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes Section 610.021(2) to consider information relating to the acquisition of real estate. Alderman Keck seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Chorpening	Aye
Alderman Folker	Aye
Alderman Dobbins	Aye
Alderman Keck	Aye

Alderman Dobbins made a motion to adjourn the closed session and return to open session.
Alderman Folker seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Closed meeting adjourned and returned to regular meeting at 7:37p.m.

Mayor Kimberling reopened the regular meeting at 7:38 p.m.

City Clerk Hebrank reported there was discussion on a couple easement documents and general discussion on a personnel matter on replacing the City Clerk.

Adjourn

Alderman Chorpening made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Allen Kimberling, Mayor

Attest:

Vanessa Hebrank, City Clerk