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Regular City Council Meeting July 20, 2015

Minutes

- 1) **Call to order** – Mayor Harralson called the meeting to order at 7:02pm
- 2) **Roll Call** – Aldermen present: Gary Dooley, Justin Carlson and Rodney Lee. Alderman Jason Sims absent. Also present Mayor Harralson, City Clerk Lynn Esser, Public Works Director Rick Davis, Water & Wastewater Operator Troy Copeland and Chief Shawne Ross.
- 3) **Moment of Silent Prayer**
- 4) **Approval of Agenda** – Gary Dooley moved to approve the Agenda. Rodney Lee second. All in favor none opposed.
- 5) **Approval of Minutes** – Regular meeting of June 15, 2015 and Closed Session minutes for June 15, 2015 – Rodney Lee moved to approve the regular and closed session minutes for June 15, 2015. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
- 6) **Approval of Pending Bills** – Rodney Lee moved to approve payment of pending bills. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
- 7) **Comments and Questions from the Public**
 - a) Chalis Gourley – 200 W Cowden. Mrs. Gourley asked the Board of Alderman for clarification on what kind of structure she is allowed to put on her property. Rick Davis was directed to provide Mrs. Gourley with the Planning and Zoning information.
 - b) Paul Jaskolski – 2006 Carolyn – drainage and flooding issues are keeping Mr. Jaskolski from selling his home on Carolyn St. The 12” pipe currently in place is too small and water backs up between houses and does not flow properly to the creek. The flow between the houses is unacceptable by the finance companies. Rick Davis was directed to contact Surveyor John Nelson for possible solutions to the problem.
 - c) William Oberman – 5338 S 210th Rd – Health & Safety issues with Pleasant Hope Farm Store. Mr. Oberman address the Board of Alderman about what he called the deplorable conditions of the Farm Store and his concern about the safety of the employees that could be breathing black mold from long time water leaks from the roof. Mr. Oberman also questioned the integrity of the roof. Rick Davis was directed to get involved with the proper building and health inspections per the city ordinances.
- 8) **Old Business:**
 - a) Review Plans for the Veteran Memorial Wall – Troy Copeland provide the Board of Alderman a detailed plan for the maintenance and improvement of the Veterans Memorial Wall. Rodney Lee moved to approve Troy Copeland’s plans for the Wall. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
 - b) Review status of installation of metal roof for workshop – Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that three sides of the roof were finished and completion is dependent of the weather.
 - c) Review status of Senate Bill 5 – Lynn Esser provided the Board of Alderman with an internet printout on Bill 5 which announced that the Governor had signed the bill in to law.
 - d) Status on Street Light on E 215 Highway – Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that the street light was installed and working. Lynn Esser advised that the cost of the light will be \$10 per month.
 - e) Update on cleanup of lot at 506 S Main – Chief Ross advised the Board of Alderman that Mr. Holt has cleaned up the lot and was finishing the weedeating as we speak.
 - f) Review Business License Requested for Maples Welding LLC – Brian Maples advised the Board of Alderman that all the requested compliances had been completed and water will be turned on tomorrow. Rick Davis concurred.
 - g) Review and Approve business licenses and liquor licenses for 2015-2016 – Lynn Esser provided the Board of Alderman with a complete list of businesses and their license compliance status. Rodney Lee moved to approve all license applications that have paid, provided a No Tax Due status and County Merchants licenses. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
- 9) **New Business**
 - a) BILL# 163 - An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 249 Pertaining to the Pay Rates of Employees, of the City of Pleasant Hope, By Position. Rodney Lee moved to have the first reading of BILL 163 by title only. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Harralson read aloud BILL 163 by title only. Rodney Lee moved to approve the first reading of BILL 163 and to have the second reading of BILL 163 by title only. Gary Dooley second.

All in favor none opposed. Mayor Harralson read aloud BILL 163 by title only. Rodney Lee moved to approve the second reading of BILL 163 and to pass BILL 163. Roll Call Vote: Gary Dooley-yes, Justin Carlson-yes, Rodney Lee-yes and Jason Sims absent. Bill 163 became Ordinance 249(g).

- b) Resolution 3-2015 (re-adoption) - A Resolution By The City Of Pleasant Hope, Missouri To Establish A Policy Which Addresses Possible Conflict Of Interest Involving Members Of The Board Of Aldermen And Other Elected City Officials. Rodney Lee moved to approve Resolution 3-2015. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
 - c) Discussion on Propane Costs and possible Pre-Buy to save money – Lynn Esser provided a historical look at the past propane bids. Dallas County Propane has been, for at least the last 5-years, our provider due to the size of the tank being so small that it needs to be serviced weekly. In order to save money, Lynn Esser proposed that the City skip the bid process and get a per-buy discounted rate from Dallas County Propane of \$1.20 per gallon and purchase the average amount of propane used by the city. Rodney Lee moved to approve the pre-buy. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
 - d) Approval of Semi Annual Financial Report – Lynn Esser provided the Board of Alderman with a copy of the report that will run in the Bolivar Free-Harald Press on July 29, 2015. Rodney Lee moved to approve the Semi-Annual Report. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
 - e) Budget Calendar for Budget 2016 – Lynn Esser provide the Board of Alderman and all City Employees with a Budget calendar for 2016. She asked to Board of Alderman to bring forward any projects that they feel needs to be addresses for 2016 at the next regular meeting of the Board.
- 10) Mayor and Alderman Communications**
- a) Alderman Justin Carlson – discuss chickens inside the city limits. Alderman Carlson opened the discussion on allowing chickens inside the city limits. He noted some of the rules that Springfield uses. He will also be contacting Bolivar and possible Fair Grove to see how they handle the issue. The Board of Alderman was not opposed to pursuing more information for a possible ordinance change.
- 11) Monthly Report City Clerk** - Lynn Esser provide the Board of Alderman with all the required month reports and a 6-month look at Actual to Budget.
- 12) Monthly Report Public Works** – Rick Davis addressed the Board of Alderman with information in connection with the damages caused by the recent flooding, including the damage to the sewer lift stations and the wash out on Rush St. He has been working with the County Emergency Management for filing a claim with FEMA and has received a FEMA # for Pleasant Hope. He advised the Board of Alderman that the road that runs behind Tai Shin is in need of repair. Alderman Dooley asked about the dumping that has gotten out of control behind Tai Shin. Rick Davis replied that he would be pushing the debris into a containment pile until it can be burnt. Troy Copeland advised the Board of Alderman that all the City streets have been sprayed for weed control.
- 13) Monthly Report Police Dept.** – Chief Shawne Ross provided the Board of Alderman with a written monthly report of activities of the PHPD. Chief Ross requested permission to purchase ammo for the fire range. Rodney Lee moved to approve \$300 for ammo for this year and \$500 to be put in the budget for next year with the amounts being charged to the Law Enforcement Tax Fund. Gary Dooley second all in favor none opposed.
- 14) Motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021, litigation, real estate, hiring, firing, disciplining of employees.** Not used
- 15) Adjourn** – Gary Dooley moved to adjourn. Rodney Lee second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Harralson adjourned the meeting at 8:25pm.

Mayor Richard Harralson

City Clerk Lynn Esser