

**The City of Pleasant Hope**  
**5492 Highway H**  
**Pleasant Hope, Mo 65725**

**City Council Meeting**  
**October 17, 2011**

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Harralson called the meeting to order at 7pm.
2. **Roll call** – Present: Aldermen Gary Dooley, Michael Brakebill, Jamie Hannaford. Alderman Diana Shanks absent. Also present Mayor Harralson, City Clerk Lynn Esser, and Water & Wastewater Operator Troy Copeland. Temp. Police Chief Aaron Beauchamp and Officer Shane Ireland. City Attorney Mel Gilbert arrived after roll call.
3. **Mayor to read resignation from Aldermen Shanks**  
Gary Dooley moved to accept Alderman Shanks' resignation. Michael Brakebill second. All in favor none opposed. Gary Dooley moved to declare Diana Shanks seat vacant. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.
4. **Moment of Silent Prayer**
5. **Approval of Agenda** – Gary Dooley moved to approve the Agenda. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.
6. **Approval of Minutes: September 19, 2011** – Gary Dooley moved to approve the City Council Meeting Minutes of September 19, 2011. Michael Brakebill second. All in favor none opposed.
7. **Approval of Pending Bills** – Gary Dooley moved to approve payment of pending bills. Michael Brakebill second. All in favor none opposed.
8. **Bid Openings**
  - a) **Banking Service Bids for 2012-2013** – City Clerk announced that there were three on time bids and no late bids. The bids were opened in the order that they were received - Empire Bank, O'Bannon Bank of Pleasant Hope and Community Bank of Pleasant Hope. Michael Brakebill moved to table the choosing of a bank in order to thoroughly review the bids; until the next regular City Council Meeting November 21, 2011. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.
  - b) **Water Tower Maintenance Bids for 2012-2016** – City Clerk advised Council that she only had one bid and that public works was responsible for acquiring bids. Troy Copeland advised Council that after researching the location of other possible vendors, Public Works decided that Ozark Applicators were the closest Missouri vendor and with prior dealings with this vendor they would like Council to accept renewal of the Ozark Applicators contract. Gary Dooley moved to accept the contract and allow the Mayor to sign the contract. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.
9. **Comments and Questions from the public**
  - a) **Mary Higman – Landscaping at the Veteran Memorial.** Mary would like to remove and replace the bushes on the backside of the south wall of the Veteran Memorial. The Veteran Memorial Fund will pay for the bushes. Jamie Hannaford moved to allow Mary Higman to, at no cost to the City, remove and replace the bushes on the backside of the south wall. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Mary Higman also advised Council that funds have been received and a \$600 reward has been posted for the person or persons that have stolen the American Flag, the Missouri Flag and a Prisoner of War Flag. If the reward is not awarded in one year the funds will go into the Veteran Memorial maintenance fund. On October 26 Missouri State Representatives Sue Entlicher and Mike Kelley will be at the City Park to view the Memorial.
  - b) **JoAnne Chandler – 210 Cowden, water leak** – JoAnne Chandler advised Council that she finally found the leak and fixed it on Oct 3. Her last bill was 47,700 gallons and would appreciate if Council could give her some relief from the charges. Michael Brakebill moved to average JoAnne Chandler's bill using May, June, July 2011. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.
  - c) **Kelly Crites – Boy Scouts - Cancelled**
10. **Old Business:**
  - a) **Status on new water line under Hwy 215 East of Hwy H** – Rick Davis was not at the meeting and Troy Copeland advised Council that Rick was still waiting on bids.
  - b) **Status on Adams St and McCurry St** – Troy Copeland advised Council that McCurry has been leveled out with base and both McCurry and Adams Street will be chip & sealed next week.
11. **New Business**
  - a) **Resolution 3-2011 – Supporting the Application for a Polk County Enhanced Enterprise Zone**  
Mayor Harralson explained the need for this Resolution as a formality in order for the County to pursue the EEZ. Michael Brakebill moved to approve Resolution 3-2011. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.

- b) **Approval to sign 1-year lease for current address.** Jamie Hannaford moved to have the Mayor sign the one year lease at 5492 Highway H Suite C. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.  
Michael Brakebill moved to have Item 11(c) & (d) moved to after Item 17. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
- c) **Council to review all applications received for Chief of Police**
- d) **Motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021, litigation, real estate, hiring, firing, disciplining of employees.**
12. **Mayor's Communications**
- Officer as Contracted Resource for School functions – non-issue.
  - Mayor Harralson advised Council that the School might want to consider a School Resource Officer next year.
  - Mayor Harralson advised Council of traffic problems that were causing drivers to block driveways on Lewis St. The Mayor recognized Ida Mae Prather and Jerry Howe, both residences on Lewis St. The issue is that because of the way that the school requires parent to queue up to pick up and drop off their kids Lewis St, which is very narrow, is lined up with parents who block private drives and generally make Lewis St a single lane with traffic trying to go both ways. Parents are then using private drives to allow traffic to flow. Mr. Howe is constantly replacing the gravel in his driveway and cannot get in or out of his driveway or down the street either way during these time frames. City Attorney suggested signage “No Parking or Standing” on both sides of the streets for the entire stretch of street that is involved. Further discussion came back to a consensus that the problem stems from the requirements imposed by the school and that Ms. Prather and Mr. Howe should take there issues to the Pleasant Hope School Board. If they are unable to get the results they need, then they should come back to Council and signage will be installed and enforced. Another concern voiced by Mr. Howe, stemming from the traffic coming and going from the school is speeders and loud radios. One speeder consistently speeds down the 15 mph zone and slides around the corner. Mel Gilbert addressed the issues surrounding loud radios and defining and metering decibel levels. He also stated that sound and vibrations are very different.
13. **Park Committee Report** – Margaret Gregory provided a written report. The Committee is still looking for businesses to participate in the Trick r’ Treat in the Park on October 29<sup>th</sup>.
14. **Monthly Report Attorney** – Mel Gilbert - Nothing to report.
15. **Monthly Report City Clerk** – Lynn Esser – All the financial and water reports where provided in the Alderman packets. Also included was the first look at the Forecast for 2011, Budget 2012 and the required historical 3-year comparison. Lynn provide Council with a three page cover that addresses the non-recurring expenses that where part of Budget 2012. Budget will be on the agenda for November 21 meeting.
16. **Monthly Report Public Works** – Troy Copeland advise Council of a sample testing schedule that he missed. The sample was turned in late, thus requiring notification to the public of the error. He has posted notices in several public places and on the City web site.
17. **Monthly Report Police Dept** – Temp Chief Beauchamp provided Council with a written report.
18. **Council to review all applications received for Chief of Police**
19. **Motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021, litigation, real estate, hiring, firing, disciplining of employees.** Michael Brakebill moved to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021, litigation, real estate, hiring, firing, disciplining of employees. Jamie Hannaford second. Roll Call Vote: Jamie Hannaford-yes, Gary Dooley-yes, Michael Brakebill-yes. Motion carried. Mayor Harralson announced to the public that Council was going into closed session. 8:20pm.  
Mayor Harralson announced that Council was back in open session at 9:19pm
20. **Adjourn** - Gary Dooley moved to adjourn. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.  
Mayor Harralson adjourned the meeting at 9:20pm

## **Closed Session City Council October 17, 2010**

Present: Mayor Richard Harralson, Aldermen: Gary Dooley, Michael Brakebill & Jamie Hannaford, City Clerk Lynn Esser.

Council reviewed five applications for Police Chief that were received before deadline. Candidates that were present were interviewed.

Applications received: Ryan White, Aaron Beauchamp, Darren Cheek, Joseph Simmons and Shane Ireland.

Candidates interviewed: Aaron Beauchamp, Joseph Simmons and Shane Ireland

Council members agreed that there should be reference check before any offers are made and they would like to discuss the candidates and the job structure of the police department in a Special Meeting November 7 at 7pm.

Gary Dooley moved to go back to open session. Jamie Hannaford second. All in favor none opposed.  
9:18pm

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Mayor Richard Harralson

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City Clerk Lynn Esser