

The City of Pleasant Hope
5492 Highway H
Pleasant Hope, Mo 65725
Minutes of Special City Council Meeting March 7, 2011

1. **Call to Order** – Mayor Homer called the meeting to order at 5pm.
2. **Roll call** – Present Aldermen: David Haase, Gary Dooley, Richard Harralson, Diana Shanks. Also present: Mayor John Homer, City Clerk Lynn Esser, Water & Wastewater Operator Troy Copeland, Public Works Director Rick Davis and Chief of Police Ricardo Lopez.
3. **Moment of Silent Prayer**
4. **Approval of Agenda** – Richard Harralson moved to approve the agenda. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Rick Davis asked Council to move Item#9 up next on the agenda. Richard Harralson moved to amend the agenda and move Item#9 to #4a. Diana Shanks second all in favor none opposed.
 - 4.a. **Request for permission to pursue: “Missouri Statewide Communications Assistance Program Grant”-**

Rick Davis described the need for a private radio channel, new repeater and new radios. He advised Council that a Missouri Statewide Communications Assistance Program Grant was available at no cost to the City. He has only received one bid for the grant totaling \$13,600. The Grant is not matching funds or reimbursement after expenditures. If granted, a check will arrive for purchase of approved materials. The superintendent of the Pleasant Hope schools advised Rick that the school will pay for the \$550 FCC License for the new channel. Rick asked that the City allow the new repeater be placed on the old cable TV tower at the water tower lot. Richard Harralson moved to allow Rick Davis to pursue the MSCAP Grant. Diana Shanks second. All in favor none opposed.
5. **Kirk Risner, Advisor Insurance Agency – review bids for City Liability & Workers Compensation Insurance.**

Mr. Risner presented Council with 2 bids each for the above mentioned insurance policies. He discussed the City’s previous claims history and advised Council that a third agency did not wish to participate in the bid process because of the claims history. Bids for Liability Coverage – Renewal quote from Missouri Rural Services \$10,164.00 and Continental Western Group \$8,912.00. Bids for Workers Compensation coverage – Renewal quote from Missouri Rural Services Trust \$2,583.00 and Missouri Employers Mutual \$3,775.00. Richard Harralson moved to accept the bid for Liability Coverage from Continental Western. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Richard Harralson move to accept the renewal bid from Missouri Rural Services Trust of Workers Compensation coverage. Diana Shanks second. All in favor none opposed.
6. **Bill #110 To Amend Ordinance 222 Section 225.290 F and to Insert a new Paragraph G Involving Seasonal Retail Fireworks Permits.**

Richard Harralson moved to have the first reading of Bill #110 by title only. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Homer read aloud Bill #110. Diana Shanks moved to approve the first reading of Bill #110 and to have a second reading of Bill #110 by title only. Richard Harralson second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Homer read aloud Bill #110 by title only. Richard Harralson move to approve the second reading of Bill #110 and pass Bill #110 as an ordinance. Roll Call Vote: David Haase-yes, Gary Dooley-yes, Diana Shanks-yes and Richard Harralson-yes. Bill #110 was assigned Ordinance #262.
7. **Bill #111 An Ordinance Setting the Amount of the Fee Required to be Charged for Operating a Business within the City of Pleasant Hope.**

Richard Harralson moved to have the first reading of Bill #111 by title only. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Homer read aloud Bill #111. Richard Harralson moved to approve the first reading of Bill #111 and to have a second reading of Bill #111 by title only. David Haase second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Homer read aloud Bill #111 by title only. Richard Harralson move to approve the second reading of Bill #111 and pass Bill

#111 as an ordinance. Roll Call Vote: Richard Harralson-yes, Diana Shanks-yes, Gary Dooley-yes, and David Haase-yes. Bill #111 was assigned Ordinance #263.

- 8. Discussion on repairs for PW 1.5** – Troy Copeland advised Council that PW 1.5 mini-truck needs some major repairs. He provided Council with a written list of options and prices. Gary Dooley moved to allow Troy Copeland to proceed with the remanufactured engine and a new clutch for \$3015.94. David Haase second. All in favor none opposed.
- 9. Discussion on ideas to attract new businesses and residences-** Mayor Homer opened the discussion. Diana Shanks put it into a very concise question: What makes up an ideal small city? Discussion was had and the consensus was 1) it would be very helpful to have the comprehensive developed by Diane May of Missouri State University, 2) the Pleasant Hope Planning and Zoning Commission will need to be reactivated at some point and 3) good communication between residences, businesses, the schools and the City are key to attracting new residences and businesses.
- 10. Adjourn** – Gary Dooley moved to adjourn. Diana Shanks second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Homer adjourned the meeting at 6:30pm.

Mayor John Homer

City Clerk Lynn Esser