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**Minutes Regular City Council Meeting January 16, 2017**

- 1) **Call to order** – Mayor Richard Harralson called the meeting to order at 7pm
- 2) **Roll Call** – Aldermen Present: Gary Dooley, Justin Carlson, Rodney Lee, and Brad Mullings. Also present Mayor Richard Harralson, City Clerk Lynn Esser, Public Works Director Rick Davis and Corporal Bobby Smith.
- 3) **Moment of Silent Prayer**
- 4) **Approval of Agenda** – Rodney Lee moved to approve the agenda. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
- 5) **Approval of Minutes** – Regular Meeting December 19, 2016 –Justin Carlson moved to approve the Minutes as presented. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
- 6) **Approval of Pending Bills** – Rodney Lee moved to approve payment of pending bills. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
- 7) **Comments and Questions from the Public**
  - a) Jeff Hill – 104 Tillery – Mr. Hill advised the Board of Alderman that he a stuck toilet and was not home. The toilet has been fixed. Rodney Lee moved to provide a credit to Mr. Hill calculated by the standard adjustment. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
  - b) Archie Bishop – 400 S Rush St – a water line break. Mr. Bishop not in attendance.
  - c) Gary Dooley – water billing – Mr. Dooley discussed his meter reading being inaccurate month-to-month. Rick Davis advised Mr. Dooley that a bucket test of his meter had proved to be accurate and offered to replace the meter. Mr. Dooley accepted the offer. Rick Davis stated the meter would be replaced as soon as possible – weather permitting.
  - d) Rodney Lee – water billing question on meter readings resolved prior to the meeting.
  - e) Gary Lombas – 106 N Main – Business Application for: Pleasant Hope Assembly - Neighbor House. Mr. Lombas and other members of the church addressed the Board of Alderman for a business licenses to set up a community help thrift type store. Justin Adams approved the business licenses pending proper paperwork from the state and county. Rodney Lee second. All in favor none opposed.
  - f) Whitney Bader – 209 S Rush – Business Application for: Studio Salon in home. Ms. Bader was not in attendance, but provided the Board of Alderman with a request to set up a Studio Salon on her property at 209 S Rush. Rodney Lee moved to approved a business licenses for the salon pending proper paperwork from the state and county. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed
  - g) Sheriff Danny Morrison was recognized by the Mayor to address the Board of Alderman. Sheriff Morrison assured the Board of Alderman that the Polk County Sheriff's Office would assist the City of Pleasant Hope with whatever was needed until the Board could hire a replacement for the Chief.
- 8) **Old Business:**
  - a) Review business license request from “Teeden” to have a BYOB atmosphere – Alderman Carlson ask Sheriff Morrison his opinion about the request for a BYOB establishment. Sheriff Morrison brought up several issues for the Board to consider and advised the Board to research the State Statutes before granting. Justin Carlson moved to revisit the issues in February. Brad Mullings second. All in favor none opposed.
  - b) Status on the street light on Carolyn Dr. – Rodney Lee/Rick Davis reported the light fixed.
  - c) Status on the trash and siding repairs of north side duplexes – Rodney Lee/Rick Davis advised the Board that Chief Ross was to address these issues before he left, but that he would address them in the next few days.
  - d) Status on the rough pavement on the Mayfield Bridge – Rick Davis reported that this project does not have a firm date for completion. It depends on the weather and the availability of mutual aid.
  - e) Status on the trimming of willow tree on Carolyn St. – Rick Davis reported that without leaves the tree does not obstruct the view. Chief Ross was going to address the issue, but he will contact the owner.
  - f) Status on the formal mutual aid agreements with Bolivar Public Works and Polk County – Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that he would be attending a couple meetings that will allow him to have conversations that might yield a written document.
- 9) **New Business**
  - a) Resignation of Anita Mullings from Board of Adjustments – Rodney Lee moved to accept Anita Mullings resignation. Justin Carlson second. Brad Mullings abstained from the vote. Three yes votes carried. The motion passed.

- b) Resignation of Chief Shawne Ross – Rodney Lee moved to accept the resignation of Shawne Ross. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed. Justin Carlson moved to appoint Corporal Bobby Smith as an Interim Chief of Police. Gary Dooley second all in favor none opposed. Rodney Lee moved to adjust Interim Chief Smith hourly rate to \$13.00. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed. Justin Carlson moved to allow Interim Chief Smith to take a city vehicle home whenever he is on duty or as needed. Rodney Lee second. All in favor none opposed.
- c) Approval of Semi-Annual Report for Publication – Lynn Esser provided the Board of Alderman with a copy of the report that is ready for publication. Rodney Lee moved to approve publication. Brad Mullings second. All in favor none opposed.
- d) RESOLUTION 1-2017 – A Resolution by the City of Pleasant Hope, Missouri Relating to Reimbursement of Mileage for Use of Personal Vehicle Pertaining to City Business. – Rodney Lee moved to approved Resolution 1-2017. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.

**10) Mayor and Alderman Communications**

- Mayor Harralson shared with the Board a letter received through the City Attorney from Phillip Langeberg. Rodney Lee moved to have the City Clerk respond to the City Attorney. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed.
- Justin Carlson advised the Board of Alderman that he invited the Rock Prairie 4H to attend the March City Council Meeting as an educational tool.

**11) Monthly Report City Clerk** - Lynn Esser – Provided the required monthly reports and the final P&L Report for 2016.

**12) Monthly Report Public Works** – Rick Davis had no issues that had not already been discussed.

**13) Monthly Report Police Dept. – Corporal** Bobby Smith presented the Board of Alderman with a request to forego the purchase of two hand held radars and purchase only one plus two bullet proof vests which are needed immediately. Rodney Lee moved to allow Interim Chief Smith to purchase one radar and two vests. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. Interim Chief Smith also advised the Board of Alderman that he has been working on getting all the reports and paperwork up to date and has changed the status on POST for Shawne Ross. Discussion was had on the police chief job description and the best way to proceed for a replacement. Interim Chief Smith offer to stay on as a part time chief if the Board of Alderman would hire a full time officer. Brad Mullings moved to retain Interim Chief Smith as a part-time chief and allow him to hire a full-time officer at \$10 per hour. Justin Carlson 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.**

**15) Adjourn** – Gary Dooley moved to adjourn. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Harralson adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.