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Regular City Council Meeting March 28, 2016

- 1) **Call to order** – Mayor Richard Harralson called the meeting to order at 6pm.
- 2) **Roll Call** – Aldermen present: Gary Dooley, Justin Carlson, Rodney Lee and Jason Sims. Also present Mayor Harralson, City Clerk Lynn Esser, Public Works Director Rick Davis and Chief Shawne Ross.
- 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 March 28, 2016 – Justin Carlson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Rodney Lee second. All in favor none opposed.
- 6) **Approval of Pending Bills** – Justin Carlson moved to approve payment of pending bills. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed.
- 7) **Comments and Questions from the Public**
 - a) none
- 8) **Old Business:**
 - a) none
- 9) **New Business**
 - a) none
- 10) **Mayor and Alderman Communications**
 - Alderman Lee requested that the trees at the corner of Carolyn and Kay be trimmed for safety reasons. Rick Davis will address with the home owner.
 - Alderman Dooley asked about the completion of the repairs by MoDOT at the corner of Adams and Main Streets. Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that MoDOT still had some ditch work to do south of the corner and he was unaware of a specific completion date.
 - Alderman Dooley asked how wide a commercial driveway should be. Large trucks coming out of Laney’s and Dollar General have to swing wide to get on the highway and sometimes drop their wheels in the ditches. Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that the driveway requirements for Highway 215 are determined by MoDOT and businesses had to get permits and meet the State requirements.
- 11) **Monthly Report City Clerk** - Lynn Esser provided the Board of Alderman with all the required monthly reports for financials and water utilities.
- 12) **Monthly Report Public Works** –
 - Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that he had been approached by a Lewis St resident to return Lewis St to a two-way street. Rick noted that the street was widened with the water project and is now the same width as other streets in the city. The bushes that blocked the drivers view to the south have all been removed. Discussion was had on what would be required to change the street back to two-way. A stop sign would need to be installed and signage posting No Trucks would make the street ready for two-way traffic. Rick would also work with MoDOT to improve the ditches on both sides to improve turning. Jason Sims moved to have a stop sign put in place and take Lewis Street back to a two-way street. Gary Dooley second. All in favor none opposed. This item will be placed on the Old Business agenda for next month for review.
 - Rick Davis advised the Board of Alderman that he has been working on two improvement projects for the City Park. The first project is to repair and seal the walking trail. He is in the

process of taking bids for the repairs should have bids for the Board to approve next month. The second project is through FEMA for repairs of the ditch in front of the Park. He is working with several companies to design a wall that will keep the ditch from continually eroding. He will keep the Board of Alderman informed of the progress and need for matching funds to complete the project.

13) Monthly Report Police Dept. –

- Chief Shawne Ross advised the Board of Alderman that the new part-time patrolman is doing a great job and he will be taking him off the 90-day new employee probation. Chief Ross believes his exceptional performance merits a raise to \$10 per hour. Gary Dooley moved to increase the hourly pay for Officer Jon Beaty to \$10 per hour. Jason Sims second. All in favor none opposed.
- Chief Ross advised the Board of Alderman that the new patrol car should be ready for deliver by the end of April.
- Pirate Lane issues in connection with zoning conflict have been turned over to the Zoning Administrator Sheldon Smith and the City Attorney Travis Elliott. The Board of Alderman requested that the Attorney and the Administrator attend the next regular meeting for a progress review.

14) Motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021, litigation, real estate, hiring, firing, disciplining of employees. Unused

15) Adjourn – Gary Dooley moved to adjourn. Justin Carlson second. All in favor none opposed. Mayor Harralson adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm

Mayor Richard Harralson

City Clerk Lynn Esser