

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 23, 2015

A meeting of the Warrensburg City Council was held on March 23, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal Center, 200 S. Holden, with Mayor Donna DeFrain presiding. Roll was called as follows: Present were: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. Absent: none.

Minutes of the March 9, 2015, meeting were considered. Mayor DeFrain noted some amendments to the minutes. Brock moved to approve the minutes as amended of the March 9, 2015, meeting. Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none.

In the City Manager's report, City Manager Paula Hertwig Hopkins said the SEC EMMA report requirements have been completed and were submitted last Friday. She said some good news is expected from Liberty Plaza. Hertwig Hopkins said there was a "meet and greet" for the Finance Director finalist, and she thanked the City Council members who were able to stop by. She said the Memorandum of Understanding with G.I.S. will be discussed at an upcoming meeting and said this represents cooperation between the City and County.

The adoption of the agenda was considered. Rutt moved to adopt the agenda. Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none.

In the Director of Finance Report, Acting Finance Director Rachel Denfeld said sales tax receipts continue to increase. City Collector Carl Larkerbrink said his department has recently begun the auto-call process with sewer customers and have had a great response.

Under the Consent Agenda was a Resolution Amending and Reorganizing the Cycling and Pedestrian Transportation Task Force. Renfrow moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Carried unanimously and given Resolution No. 2104.

Police Chief Bruce Howey introduced Tim Lowry who will serve as the Lieutenant in Charge of the Detective Division. Howey said Lowry has been with the Police Department for 26 years and was the first original DARE Officer in Warrensburg. Howey also introduced Andrew Munsterman who will be the Lieutenant in Charge of Operations, and he has been with the Police Department for 15 years.

Bill No. 3-9-15 being for an Ordinance Adopting Section 24-3 Concerning Utility Markers and Utility Locates of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Warrensburg was read for the first time by title. City Counselor Doug Harris said new requirements will go into effect January 1, 2016, regulating utility locates, excavations in public rights of way, and placement within the trench of a sewer lateral or water line. He said each new line connected within the public right of way must be marked by the owner with a tracer wire or another method so they are easily identifiable. Harris said this will make the City's ordinances comply with state requirements. Renfrow moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes, Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5083.

Bill No. 3-10-15 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute a Contract with A & B Construction, Ltd, for the Salt Storage Bin Project, in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Brock said he is glad this project is moving forward

and then moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5084.

Bill No. 3-11-15 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute a Contract with Heartland Waste for the Spring 2015 City-Wide Bulky Waste Cleanup, in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Renfrow moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5085.

Bill No. 3-12-15 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute a Contract with Heartland Waste for the Spring 2015 City-Wide Brush and Limb Cleanup, in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Allen moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5086.

Bill No. 3-13-15 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute a Contract with BC Mowing and Tilling, LLC, for the 2015 Sunset Hill Cemetery Mowing Services in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Public Works Director Slim Coleman said the past several years the City has contracted for mowing services. Rutt moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5087.

Bill No. 3-14-15 being for an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 5008, Concerning the Adopted FY15 Annual Budget for Contribution to the Strategic Deterrent Coalition Symposium Gift Bags was read for the first time by title. Executive Assistant Courtney Stephens said at the February City Council meeting the Council members agreed to spend up to \$5,000 for the Strategic Deterrent Coalition Symposium gift bags. She said a challenge coin was discussed, and she has received quotes from a company known to have experience providing high quality coins. Stephens said different items for the gift bags have been suggested, and there was discussion that contributions will be made from other entities because the bags are an important way to promote the community. Rutt moved to spend up to \$5,000 for the Strategic Deterrent Coalition Symposium. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5088.

In Other Business Appearances was a City staff report on the ADA Transition Plan Progress Report. Community Development Director Barbara Carroll said this plan was adopted in 2012 and should be updated every three years. She said under the leadership of Building Official Brett Penrose, it is currently being updated. Brock suggested an annual report on the goals and Penrose agreed.

Under Mayoral appointments to Boards and Commissions, Mayor DeFrain said she would like to recommend Bob Lotspeich for a second term on the Tax Increment Financing Commission and Peggy Nuckles to replace Pearl Miller as a new appointment to the Cycling and Pedestrian Task Force. Rutt moved to accept the appointments. Yes: Allen, Brock, Rutt, Renfrow, DeFrain. No: none. Carried unanimously.

Under miscellaneous matters, Howey thanked Computer Technician Gary Swanson for his assistance over the weekend. He said Swanson again willingly helped and solved a problem which occurred after normal working hours. Howey presented him with a Police Department Challenge Coin for all his contributions.

Under miscellaneous matters from the Mayor and City Council, Renfrow said he has been asking questions and that does not create a hostile environment. He said matters are discussed to hear other points and opinions. Renfrow said communication is the root of the problem and everyone must work to fix the problem. He also said the ordinance concerning the recording of meetings will be an agenda item at the next meeting.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Attest:

Cindy Gabel, City Clerk


Donna DeFrain, Mayor