

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 23, 2021

A meeting of the Warrensburg City Council was held on August 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m., at 200 S. Holden and via Zoom with Mayor Scott Holmberg presiding. Roll was called as follows, Present were: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. Absent: none.

The minutes of the City Council work session of August 9, 2021, were considered for approval. Lund moved to approve the minutes of the work session on August 9, 2021, City Council meeting. Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none.

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The adoption of the agenda was considered. Bentley moved to approve the agenda. Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none.

The first item of business was a Presentation of the winners of the City of Warrensburg Budget Cover Photo Contest. Finance Director Marcella McCoy said there were three winners this year. First place, Jamie DeBacker, Rainstorm at the Johnson County Courthouse; Second place, Sherrel Middleton, Bobbers at Lions Lake; and Third Place, Andi Spinelli, Lions Lake Fountain.

The next item for consideration was consideration of a request for recognition of Bruce "Hack Saw" Reed. Bruce Uhler, local resident from the Johnson County Historical Society, thanked the City of Warrensburg for all the work done at the recent Bicentennial Celebration at Grover Park a success.

Uhler said he is at tonight's meeting with Tim Reed, Terry Neal, Mike Bodenhamer, and Richard Schnakenberg to provide information about the Bruce Reed Foundation. Terry Neal said the group would like to get approval to place a bronze bust of Bruce Reed to be located at Blind Boone Park. He said there will be no cost to the City, they will rely on donated funds. Neal said the Reed family grazed their horses where Blind Boone Park exists today.

Neal explained Reed was a professional wrestler and native of Warrensburg. He was born and raised in Warrensburg and graduated from Warrensburg High School in 1972. He went on to play football at Northeast Oklahoma and Central Missouri State University (now University of Central Missouri) and was drafted by the Kansas City Chiefs as a linebacker in 1976. Neal said he had a short career in professional football.

Neal said from 1978 to 2002 Reed was a professional wrestler. He won numerous awards and titles while wrestling. Neal said after retiring from wrestling, Reed became a bulldogger for 14 years. Neal said Reed passed away in January of this year from a heart attack.

Neal explained the preferred location for the bronze bust is Blind Boone Park. He said it would be a granite bust of Bruce Reed mounted on a pedestal in his favorite cowboy outfit. Bruce Reed's brother Tim said the family grew up on the west side of town. He said there is no other athlete from Warrensburg that has had the magnitude of Bruce Reed. Tim said bronze bust would be a good representation of his accomplishments for young kids and athletes. Reed said Bruce was very proud of Warrensburg and let everyone know where he was born and raised. Interim City Manager Danielle Dulin said the City will look at the process and get back in touch

with the group.

Mayor Holmberg opened a Public Hearing for General Budget Comments. McCoy said the budget was discussed at the August 9, 2021, City Council meeting. She said the FY22 proposed budget is set at a deficit of \$ 2,800,000 dollars which is primarily from the Water Pollution Control Fund (WPC). McCoy said the remaining is from the General fund, Arts Commission and the Self-insurance fund with the General fund showing a deficit balance of \$299,010. McCoy said FY21 was adopted with an amended deficit of \$858,000. She said this is mainly because of the depreciation and balance in the WPC fund.

McCoy explained the General fund revenues of \$10,406,370 and expenditures of \$10,703,380 shows a deficit of nearly \$300,000. She said Capital improvement revenues are \$922,300. McCoy said the Capital Improvement Half-Cent Sales Tax revenues are \$2,003,500 with expenses projected at \$1,958,375. McCoy said the general obligation bonds that were recently sold are scheduled to issue another \$12 million in 2022.

McCoy said the WPC fund revenues are \$5,072,640 and the \$7,856,900 is mainly depreciation. She said the trust and art fund revenues are \$20,140 and \$27,950 in expenditures. McCoy said the Self-Insurance fund is scheduled to generate around \$200,000 with an estimated expense to the City of \$1,152,920.

McCoy said the Proposed FY22 General Fund shows revenue over/(under) expenditures of \$299,010. She said other uses includes the Hawthorn debt payments and a 3.4 percent decrease from budgeted FY21 numbers without the ARP funds. McCoy said a breakdown of revenues in the General Fund show revenues of \$10,406,370 which is mainly sales tax and expenditures of administrative services of \$10,705,380.

In the Proposed FY22 Budget, McCoy said there are items currently funded including a 20 percent increase in medical coverage, an average of 3 percent salary increase plus PTO payouts, use of \$4,000 cemetery donations for computers and software, and this also includes community funding of \$167,800.

McCoy said the FY22 Community Investment Plan-Transportation generates revenue of \$922,300. She said this will go up this year because of an increase in the gasoline tax which will begin in October. McCoy said the Community Investment Plan is the annual Street maintenance program, Curb and Sidewalk program/ADA, Towable message boards/traffic control monitoring, and the Major Street Plan upgrade for a total of \$919,000.

McCoy said the Community Investment Plan-One-Half Cent Sales Tax generates revenue of around \$2,003,500. She said expenses are the Certificate of Participation debt, two police vehicles, public works equipment, building repairs-improvements, and police computer upgrade for a total of \$1,956,225.

McCoy reviewed the FY22 Community Invest Plan for General Obligation Bond Fund and said the street portion of the 2017 bond issue is scheduled to retire in 2022. She said because of voter approval in April 2021, \$17 million will renew the debt levy with \$5 million issued August 9, 2021, and \$12 million to be issued in 2022.

According to McCoy, the Neighborhood Improvement District Fund-Russell Avenue-will be paid in full this fiscal year. She said annual revenue is estimated at \$64,000 a year, leaving an estimated yearly balance of \$100,000 to be paid by the General fund. McCoy said the remaining

principal balance is \$1,440,000 and the annual payment average is \$160,200 until March 1, 2031.

McCoy said the FY22 Water Pollution Control Fund revenues are \$5,072,640 with expenses totaling \$7,856,900. She said the FY Water Pollution Control Fund Debt and Depreciation, Principal, and Interest Debt Payments for 2007A issuance-principle of \$845,000 with interest of \$227,038 will mature in 2027. McCoy said the 2010 Direct Loan with a principle of \$446,000 and interest \$62,833 will mature in 2030. She said more will be discussed about this when reviewing the sewer rate study.

McCoy said the FY22 Water Pollution Control Fund, Major Capital Expenses, include the replacement of SBR (1 at each plant), \$590,000; SCADA Components, \$675,000; and I & I Relining Project, \$149,000. The Public Hearing was closed.

Mayor Holmberg opened a Public Hearing for Consideration of the Property Tax Levy. McCoy said the tax levies are generated to fund a portion of the City's operations including the general fund, parks fund and debt service for the general obligation bonds. She said the reduction in the general fund levy is included because of the reassessments this year for new construction. The Public Hearing was closed.

Bill No. 8-2-21 being for an Ordinance Amending Article II of Chapter 28 is Repealed and Re-Enacted to Read as Follows was read for the second time by title. City Counselor Doug Harris said this is an update to an existing ordinance. Kushner moved to approve the ordinance. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5668.

Bill No. 8-3-21 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of an Agreement Between the City of Warrensburg and the Secretary of the Air Force for Mutual Aid Fire Services was read for the second time by title. Ken Jennings, Fire Department Battalion Chief, said this is a renewal of an agreement with Whiteman Air Force Base. He said he would be happy to answer any questions. Kushner moved to approve the ordinance. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5669.

Bill No. 8-4-21 being for an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager and City Clerk to Execute a Contract with KPM CPAs to provide an Annual Financial Audit Report Beginning with the Year Ending September 30, 2021, was read for the second time by title. McCoy said there was a process for selection of the auditing firm and KPM CPAs had the best bid. Bentley moved to approve the ordinance. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5670.

Bill No. 8-5-21 being for an Ordinance Approving and Accepting the Final Plat of Dyer's Last Stand, a Subdivision in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, Located at 115 and 117 W. Oak Street was read for the second time by title. Carroll said the Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval with the condition that one of the homes be removed. She said this is the combination of two existing lots. Bentley moved to approve the ordinance. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5671.

Bill No. 8-6-21 being for an Ordinance Approving and Accepting the Final Plat of Park Place Subdivision Replat, a Subdivision in the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, Located at 905 and 907 S. Holden Street was read for the second time by title. Carroll said the existing lot is at 905 S. Holden with future to develop 907 S. Holden. She said this would further facilitate the development of the lots and the conditions are included in the ordinance. Lund moved to approve the ordinance. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5672.

Mayor Holmberg read an Ordinance Authorizing the City Manager to Enter a Sign Lease Agreement with the Soderburg Roofing for the first time by title. Dulin said this is a request to lease a sign panel at the Hawthorne Plaza that is owned by the City. She said this would be an annual payment of \$600 for a sign panel for 12 months. Dulin said this would be an automatic annual renewal unless Soderburg provides written notice at least 30 days in advance.

Mayor Holmberg read an Ordinance Amending Chapter 6, Article II of the Code of City Ordinances of the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, Regarding the Minimum Building Permit Fee for the first time by title. Carroll said this is discussed each year after review by the department. She said revenues were down in 2020 due to the pandemic and construction values. Carroll said staff is not recommending a change in the modifier this year. Carroll would like consideration of raising the minimum building permit fees. She said this increase would help cover costs and would like the increase beginning October 1, 2021. Carroll said some permits have a set fee and would not impact some permit fees.

Mayor Holmberg read an Ordinance Adopting the Annual Operating Budget for the Fiscal Year Beginning October 1, 2021, for the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, for the first time by title. McCoy said this is for a first reading and she would be happy to answer any questions.

Bill No. 8-7-21 being for an Ordinance Amending Section 8-56 of the Code of Ordinances Concerning Court Costs for the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Mason Floyd, Management Fellow, said this would amend the City's current ordinances concerning court costs. He said this is a regulatory charge that will mainly involve the court automation fee. Floyd said this will affect court fees. Lund 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: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5673.

Bill No. 8-8-21 being for an Ordinance Amending Sections 3-3, 3-33, and 3-37 of the Code of Ordinances Concerning Hours of Operation and Sales of Intoxicating Liquor for Consumption off Premises for the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Floyd said this is the result of a change in Missouri State Statutes. Floyd said two major changes affect the City of Warrensburg. He said it changes the hours of sale on Sunday and the containers for taking out liquor. Bentley 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: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5674.

Bill No. 8-9-21 being for an Ordinance Amending Sections 2-59 and 2-64 of the Code of Ordinances Concerning Closed Records and Records Requests for the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, was read for the first time by title. Floyd said this is also the result of a bill recently passed in the house. He said the two major changes are items that have been added as a

reason for closing the meeting. Lund 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: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5675.

Bill No. 8-10-21 being for an Ordinance Fixing the Annual Rate of Levy for Taxes by the City of Warrensburg, County of Johnson, Missouri, for General Revenue Fund Purposes for the Year 2021 and Levying Said Taxes was read for the first time by title. Kushner 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: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5676.

Bill No. 8-11-21 being for an Ordinance Fixing the Annual Rate of Levy for Taxes by the City of Warrensburg, County of Johnson, Missouri, for Park Fund Purposes for the Year 2021 and Levying Said Taxes was read for the first time by title. Lund 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: Books, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5677.

Bill No. 8-12-21 being for an Ordinance Fixing the Annual Rate of Levy for Taxes by the City of Warrensburg, County of Johnson, Missouri, for Debt Service Purposes for the Year 2021 and Leving Said Taxes. Bentley moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll as called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance NO. 5678.

Under Miscellaneous Matters from the Mayor and/or City Council, Mayor Holmberg said he was contacted by Stella Rodan from the University of Central Missouri, regarding a Blind Boone Ragtime Symposium October 1 and 2. The Mayor said he forwarded this information to Interim City Manager Danielle Dulin and Tourism Director Marcy Barnhart. The Mayor said it is exciting that we will be elevating others in our history, which is a rich history.

Mayor Holmberg said he will be reading a proclamation for International Drug Overdose Month. He said there are issues in our community, and it is important to celebrate the positive.

Under Mayoral appointments to Boards and Commissions, Mayor Holmberg said he would like to recommend the following appointments: Sue Kraus, Arts Commission; Cindy Liechti, Children's Memorial Fund Advisory Board; and Doug Christie, Diversity, and Inclusion Commission. Bentley moved to approve the appointments: Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. Carried unanimously.

In the Finance Director's report, McCoy said she had nothing further to report.

In the City Manager's report, Dulin said the Leadership Class of 2021 was moved to Warrensburg because of COVID challenges. Dulin said the community jumped into action and really rolled-out the red carpet. She said everyone was impressed with the program that was put together. Dulin thanked all the community partners for their assistance.

In the City Clerk Discussion, Dulin said with the City Clerk's retirement, there has been an opportunity to look at the position's job description. Dulin said she has made some changes and

this new description would include fulfilling a City Council desire to have the position of Public Information Officer filled. Dulin said it seems a natural fit to combine this position with the Public Information Officer. She said the job description is in the Packet.

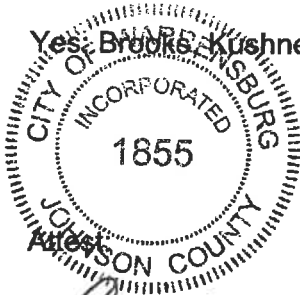
Dulin said the City Clerk position is hired by the City Council and because of the increase role of responsibilities with department directors, she would like for the City Clerk to be supervised by the City Manager. Council member Lund said the Public Information Officer position has been a position the City has wanted to fund. Dulin said since this will create a need for an ordinance change, this will be on the agenda for the September 13, 2021, City Council meeting.

As there was no further business, Lund moved to close part of this meeting pursuant to Section 610.021 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, relating to:


(3) Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded.

(13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees or applicants for employment.

Yes: Brooks, Kushner, Lund, Bentley, Holmberg. No: none.




Cindy Gabel, City Clerk


Scott Holmberg, Mayor