

Mayor Grenke called the regular meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Jon Angell, Don Bormann, Jessica Orsini, Farris Sanders and Catherine Simmons answered roll call.

Absent: Alderman David Wilkins

Also present were City Administrator Lynn P. Behrns, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon

Others present: Kathy Colvin, Don Bobbitt, David Whitaker, Don Bagley, Madison Lipford, Willow Sanders, James Smith with the Fireside Guard, Daryl Spauldin and several others.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Grenke asked for approval of the Consent Agenda in its entirety or any items to be pulled for comment or correction.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes of Prior Meeting
- B. Minutes of Public Works and Public Utilities Committee Meeting
- C. Minutes of General Government Committee Meeting
- D. Reports
  - 1. Treasurer's & Collector's Reports
  - 2. Activity Reports

Mayor Grenke noted that he would like to add to the General Government & Public Safety meeting minutes that when asked, Alderman Orsini said she was absent from the Public Works & Public Utilities meeting because she was attending the Columbia City Council meeting.

Alderman Sanders noted that his comments were not mentioned in the General Government & Public Safety minutes. It was suggested to remove the General Government & Public Safety meeting minutes from the consent agenda to be corrected and presented at the next Board of Alderman meeting.

There was some discussion regarding audio recording the Board of Alderman meetings. According to Behrns, the Missouri Municipal League recommends against this method because it is almost impossible to research. Once recorded, the audio would become a permanent record. Behrns noted that the committee meeting minutes are not as formal as the regular Board meeting minutes, but he will add more detail when an alderman specifically states that he or she wants his or her comments on the record. Some discussion was held regarding audio recording the Board of Alderman meetings.

Motion was made by Alderman Simmons to accept the consent agenda as amended for the General Government & Public Safety minutes and without the minutes of the Public Works & Utilities Committee meeting. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Accounts Payable over \$1250** were presented in the amount of \$262,442.77 as follows:

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OVER \$1250  
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Ameren (Transmission Charges)	\$	9,408.43
Ameren Energy Marketing (Wholesale Electric)	\$	172,633.25

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Butler Supply (Electrical Supplies)	\$	2,162.97
Central Mo Humane Society	\$	1,320.00
City of Columbia (Landfill charges for November)	\$	8,189.38
Crown Power Equipment (Cutting edge bolts for Loader \$899.55)	\$	1,310.18
Independent Salt Company	\$	1,320.94
LaCrosse Lumber Co	\$	1,329.16
MFA Oil (Fuel)	\$	6,483.80
MISO	\$	1,707.70
Missouri Association of Municipal Utilities (Annual Membership)	\$	2,579.00
Wilkerson Brothers Quarry (Rock)	\$	1,470.07
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>209,914.88</b>
<b>ADDED AFTER GGFC MEETING</b>		
Arkansas Electric (Electric Dept Supplies)	\$	2,000.00
BobCat of St Louis (A770 Loader)	\$	46,934.00
Butler Supply (Electric Supplies)	\$	1,093.89
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>50,027.89</b>
<b>ADDED TODAY</b>		
Pitney Bowes (postage)	\$	2,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>262,442.77</b>

Alderman Bormann made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$262,442.77. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

The floor was opened for comments from citizens at 7:14 p.m.

Paul Seigfreid, attorney from Mexico, MO, spoke on behalf of David Whitaker. He said that hopefully the issue will be on the forefront of the minds of the Council. He stated that if Forrest moves to a new location, there will be a solution. He noted that delivery drivers today blocked the majority of the street on North Rollins. The new building will be an additional problem, and eliminating parking on that side of the street would help. Behrns was given a set of plans to Seigfreid feels would help alleviate the problem. He said that the largest effect of the vacation on North Rollins Street is on D & D tire.

The floor was closed for comments from citizens at 7:18 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None Scheduled.

**ACTION AGENDA:**

**Finance:** None Scheduled

**Permits and Licenses:** None Scheduled

**Legal:**

**Motion:** Authorizing City Administrator Affidavit Concerning Correcting Scrivener's Error in Mystic Ridge Plat 1

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Some discussion was held regarding why the correction to the plat was being made using an affidavit instead of an ordinance. Alderman Bormann questioned if this would be the correct way to handle the situation to fix the error on the plat map, as an ordinance makes it clear whereas an affidavit does not. Bormann said that he thought it should be corrected by an ordinance because the plat was originally accepted by an ordinance. Beck noted that the attorney for the surveyor had requested the affidavit instead of an ordinance. Behrns noted that his original recommendation was to have the entire process done over; to resubmit the plat map and get proper approval but there is already a house being built on a lot. Alderman Orsini agreed that an ordinance should be adopted to make the correction. Some discussion was held as to when to have the ordinance on the agenda in January 2012. There were not motions made on the matter.

**ORDINANCE: Calling for April Municipal Election**

Alderman Bormann presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2581 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CALLING FOR A GENERAL CITY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 3, 2012, THE MUNICIPAL ELECTION DAY, TO ELECT THREE ALDERMEN FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM AND ELECT ONE ALDERMAN FOR THE REMAINING ONE YEAR ON THE TERM." Alderman Bormann moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Bormann moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Orsini and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Bormann moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Angell, Bormann, Orsini, Sanders, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2661.

**RESOLUTION: Adopting Amended Formal City Written Policy Concerning Use of City Provided Computers and Similar Electronic Communications and Storage Systems**

There was some discussion regarding the changes to the policy. The changes were made to page 8, and include changing the replacement schedule of computers from 3 years to 5 years.

Alderman Orsini presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2582 to create a ordinance entitled "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA MISSOURI, ADOPTING AN AMENDED FORMAL WRITTEN POLICY CONCERNING THE USE OF CITY PROVIDED COMPUTERS, COMPUTER NETWORKS, INTERNET ACCESS, ELECTRONIC MAIL, VOICE MAIL, AND SIMILAR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION STORAGE SYSTEMS." Alderman Orsini moved that it be placed on its first and only reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bormann and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Orsini moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Angell, Bormann, Orsini, Sanders, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Resolution R-11-05.

**ORDINANCE: Amending City Code Concerning Provision of Employee Health Insurance**

Alderman Sanders presented a bill marked and designated as bill no.2583 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SUBSECTION A OF SECTION 22-93 OF THE CENTRALIA CITY CODE TO CHANGE HOW AND WHEN THE CITY PROVIDES EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE FOR SPOUSES OF EMPLOYEES." Alderman Sanders moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Orsini

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and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Sanders moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Sanders moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Angell, Bormann, Orsini, Parmeley, Simmons, and Sanders. Voting AGAINST: None. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2662.

**PURCHASING:**

**Street Sweeper: 1997 Tymo 600 street sweeper from Armor Equipment. \$29,500.00**

Behrns mentioned that Street & Sanitation Department Foreman Phil Hoffman did have a chance to travel to St. Louis to look at the sweeper. Behrns said that a relatively simple to use a hose attachment to pick up leaves out of the storm sewer was also available. The sweeper is \$28,000, with an additional \$1500 for the attachment. Staff recommendation is to purchase the sweeper and attachment. Alderman Orsini questioned if this sweeper had been budgeted. Behrns said that it was put in budget but not purchased, and the City has saved enough in operating expenses to purchase the sweeper. Alderman Sanders questioned if the \$29,500 could be used for a fire truck instead of a sweeper. Behrns stated that staff is trying to purchase both, and the money for fire truck is still available. This purchase does not make a difference as to whether or not we buy the fire truck and/or the dump truck, and budget for the remainder of the year will accommodate both purchases. Alderman Angell stated that this is an incredible buy, and what we thought we would spend is much more than this amount. He said it is a target of opportunity and if we are to have curb and gutter streets, this equipment would be good to maintain them.

Alderman Simmons made a motion to accept the purchase of the street sweeper and attachment in the amount of \$29,500. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed with the following votes: Ayes: Aldermen Bormann, Simmons, and Angell. Nays: Aldermen Sanders and Orsini.

**Water System SCADA: Ecco Electric Company \$94,544.00**

Behrns noted that the purchase was discussed during committee meeting. Water & Sewer Department Foreman, Mike Forsee, was present to discuss the proposal. Forsee discussed some of the costs associated with upkeep of the 32 year old water plant, and that some replacement parts take time to locate. He noted that the plant will be down for 2 days while the system is being installed. The price on what remains to be purchased is \$52,506 for the next phase. Alderman Bormann questioned when the next phase would be completed, and Behrns noted that it would be done in two years. Alderman Simmons asked for the cost of the FCC pipes, pressure taps and piping, and Forsee noted that the water department would be doing those tests themselves. Forsee also said that a new computer would need to be purchased specifically for the SCADA system, and Behrns said that replacement computers cost between \$400-\$600. Alderman Sanders asked what would happen if the system completely went down now. According to Forsee, the plant would be run manually. There was some discussion regarding whether other cities run their plants manually or electronically, and the replacement costs of existing equipment.

Alderman Orsini made a motion to approve purchase of the water system SCADA from Ecco Electric Company in the amount of \$94,544.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bormann. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Sewer High Service Pump: Flynn Drilling Company \$9997.00**

Behrns noted that this purchase was explained during the last committee meeting. One high service pump at NE lagoon was pulled after 25 years, and \$9997.00 is the cost of replacing that pump. There are two pumps at the NE lagoon, and one pump at the NW lagoon. Forsee doesn't want to chance continuing to operate without a backup, and the NW does not have a backup

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Alderman Bormann made a motion to approve purchase of the sewer high service pump from Flynn Drilling in the amount of \$9997.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Orsini. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**ORDINANCE: Fund Accounting System Software Installation of Employee Contract, Data Technologies Inc**

Alderman Simmons presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2584 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH DATA TECHNOLOGIES, INC., OF OMAHA, NEBRASKA TO PROVIDE FUND ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE, SOFTWARE INSTALLATION SERVICES AND TRAINING, AND ANNUAL SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES." Alderman Simmons moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Orsini and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Simmons moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Sanders and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Simmons moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Angell, Bormann, Orsini, Sanders, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2663.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mayor:**

**Appointments:**

Mayor Grenke requested approval for the appointment of Tom Elsbury to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone for a three year term to end in 2014. Alderman Orsini made the motion to approve the appointment of Tom Elsbury to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone for a three year term to end in 2014. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Grenke requested approval for the appointment of Laurie Grimes to the Library Board for a three year term to end in 2014. Alderman Orsini made the motion to approve the appointment of Laurie Grimes to the Library Board for a three year term to end in 2014. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Grenke requested approval for the appointment of Glen Brown to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone for a two year term to end in 2013. Alderman Orsini made the motion to approve the appointment of Glen Brown to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone for a two year term to end in 2013. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Aldermen:**

Alderman Sanders asked if the people to be appointed could possibly be present at the meeting. Alderman Orsini stated that she would like to have some advanced notice in order to be able to advise and consent on the appointments. Alderman Bormann pointed out that the names of those just appointed were mentioned during the last meeting, except Grimes who was appointed to the library board. Mayor Grenke stated that he would send advanced notice as he gets it.

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Alderman Orsini addressed Mayor Grenke and pointed out that he made particular note to address where she was during the Public Works & Public utilities committee meeting and asked if this would be common practice. Mayor Grenke said that it was not going to be practice, but he felt that she should have been in Centralia conducting business in Centralia instead of endorsing an issue in another city. Alderman Orsini stated his inquisition was because she was endorsing an issue that the Mayor does not particularly agree with.

Alderman Bormann spoke about the recent Library board meeting which discussed plans for expansion of the library. Someone had spoken about bonds necessary to create the funds to expand. The City board will possibly have to address a levy increase on short notice as the Library board could possibly take action in January. If possible, the City Council will take action the following week. There will be little notice given as the Library board meeting is held after the General Government & Public Safety meeting. Alderman Bormann said that the Library has worked with an architect to set a realistic budget and plans to meet that budget. Behrns said that the Friends of the Library will do the endorsing. The people effected by the increase will be the people within the original library district and will not effect the entire City.

**City Administrator:**

Consulting and Legal Assistance for Wholesale Electric Power Supply

A new contract for wholesale electric power supply starts January 1, 2012. Centralia is working in conjunction with 3 other cities to create a proposal for a power supply contract for 2015-2017. The existing ordinances authorizes the City Administrator to work on a contract and do not need an additional ordinance.

MODOT signs to put on the City limit signs for the Lady Panthers softball state champions are \$520 each. There are a total of 5 City limit signs. The Centralia Chamber of Commerce agreed to purchase one sign, and a private source will purchase one sign. Some discussion was held regarding finding additional sources to purchase the signs.

Alderman Simmons made a motion to approve purchase of one MODOT sign for the Lady Panthers softball state championship. The motion was seconded by Alderman Orsini. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Behrns will not negotiate a contract until the funding for the other 2 signs is secured.

Sergeant Bias is to work with Electric Department Foreman Mark Mustain on a grant program for radios which would require some changes on the radio frequencies. This program may involve getting free replacement radios. Bias and Mustain are looking into the program and may require speedy passage of a grant proposal by as soon as January 6, 2012.

Some discussion was held regarding the use of alternative methods of communication. Alderman Sanders suggested the use of cell phones or CB radios. After some discussion on the use of CB radios, Behrns agreed to get a comparison.

There is to be a meeting in Sturgeon on Wednesday. Mayor Grenke, Alderman Bormann, Behrns, and James Smith with the Guard will be attending, and Alderman Simmons may attend as well.

**City Attorney:**

Beck provided an update on the status of a bill to amend the biometric court cost statute. During the May 16, 2011, meeting, Beck was authorized to work to get the court cost statute amended to increase costs to buy, replace and maintain biometric equipment. Beck contacted MML for support to get the bill adopted, and MML had to vote to be able support the bill. MML did vote to support passage of this legislation during their September meeting. They are geared to support this and legislative information will be included a small summary version. MML will not find a legislator to introduce it and the City should find someone to introduce the bill. Senator Curt Shaffer has agreed to introduce the bill to be amended. The proposed amendment was sent to Senate research staff and the Senator's office made some changes and hope to have a final bill by the end of this week to be introduced. Beck was told it would not be acceptable to the legislature to increase the court costs, but this would allow cities to adopt an ordinance to charge the \$2 extra in court costs that other courts are able to charge. According to Beck, Senator Shaffer felt that

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the support of MML would be helpful. Beck did talk to Senator Quinn, who was supportive of this but would be more indirect support and not an official sponsor on the House side.

**CityClerk**

Lockett reminded the Council of an email sent out regarding the MML meeting in January and to send RSVP's as soon as possible if they plan to attend the meeting.

Lockett noted that filings for April 2012 election are open until January 17, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

**As May Arise:**

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Simmons made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.



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Heather Lockett, City Clerk