

Mayor Grenke called the regular meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Don Bormann, David Wilkins, Landon Magley, Farris Sanders and Catherine Simmons answered roll call.

Absent: Alderman Jon Angell

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

Others present: Jeff Grimes with the Centralia Fireside Guard, Don Bobbitt, Evelyn Robertson, William Noonan, Mark Mustain, Mike Forsee, Kenny Cooley and several others.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Discussions with City Prosecutor April Wilson

April Wilson took the floor at 7:02 p.m. Wilson noted she was in her 6th year of service to Centralia as City Prosecutor, and introduced herself to the new council members. She addressed a question regarding the possibility of setting a mandatory fine for speeding in a school zone. She noted that she has communicated back and forth about the discussions that have taken place during the council meetings, and would like to answer questions regarding setting fines and explain how fines are set.

Mayor Grenke noted that a request to increase mandatory fine in school zones during school hours to a minimum of \$250 had been discussed. Attorney Beck also noted that he had written a memo that was passed out at a previous meeting on the topic.

Wilson said the maximum fine for speeding is \$500, and this is the same in every municipality, and setting a mandatory minimum fine that is half of the max in one specific area would be significant. The typical fine for accident is \$100, so people could get in an accident or be charged with possession of marijuana and have a lesser fine than speeding in a school zone. The current fines are in line with state fines. Some discussion was held about the current speeding fines.

Alderman Sanders questioned if the City could make the additional amount for speeding in a school zone higher than the \$25 we currently charge. Wilson said that would be an option.

Attorney Beck also noted that the City would have to get Judge Bradley's permission/authority to change the fine schedule. If the current schedule is kept and a minimum speeding in a school zone fine of \$250 assessed, people could go to court and get a lesser fine instead of paying out of court.

Some discussion was held regarding the typical recommendations during court and the current fine schedule.

Wilson said that speeding in a school zone is not a significant problem at this time. Alderman Bormann noted that if it is not a problem, there might not be a reason to change the current fine schedule. If there is a problem, then it's an enforcement problem. Alderman Sanders said that he thinks if you advertise the fact that you are going to get a higher fine, people will pay attention to it. Behrns stated that if you just adopt an ordinance the word won't get out. He suggested adding a sign under the speed limit sign that reads that fines are higher for speeding in a school zone, and Alderman Sanders said he would be in favor of putting it on a sign at the school. Mayor Grenke suggested that the City does not add a dollar amount to the sign, but indicate that the fine would be elevated for speeding in a school zone.

Alderman Simmons made a motion to adopt the suggestion purchase signs to add underneath the speed limit signs to indicate that there is a higher fine for speeding in a school zone. The motion was seconded by Alderman Sanders. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Angell entered the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Alderman Angell noted that there are four campuses and numerous speed limit signs, and wondered how much will it cost the City? Behrns stated that for 10 signs the cost would be around \$100 or so, but he would research it and present the prices during the next committee meeting.

April Wilson left the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

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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. Minutes of Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
 - Reports
 - 1. Treasurer's & Collector's Reports
 - 2. Activity Reports

Alderman Sanders made a note that he had suggested that we did not add the 5 ordinances to the meeting during the May 7th recessed board meeting because he felt it was a violation of Sunshine Law, and this was not listed in the minutes. Sanders requested to have that added to the May 7th meeting minutes.

Alderman Wilkins noted that in the meeting minutes he is listed in ward II instead of Ward I, and requested that this be corrected in the May 7th minutes.

Motion was made by Alderman Simmons to accept the consent agenda in its entirety with the noted changes. Alderman Wilkins seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Accounts Payable over \$1250 was presented in the amount of \$440,568.91 as follows:

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OVER \$1250
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Ameren Energy Marketing (Wholesale Energy)	\$ 96,441.53
Ameren Service -MC 1037 (Transmission Charges)	\$ 12,079.34
Arkansas Electric (Elec Supplies)	\$ 1,435.10
Boone Quarries (Rock NE Lagoon)	\$ 3,051.98
Butler Supply (Elec Dept Supplies)	\$ 1,957.18
City Of Columbia (April 2012 Landfill charges)	\$ 7,221.90
D & D Tire (Fire Engine 1101 Tires \$3261.06)	\$ 3,704.28
Dayne's Waste Disposal (Clean up week dumpsters)	\$ 5,628.04
Engineering Survey's & Services	\$ 1,320.00
Hardesty Construction (Cemetery Mowing)	\$ 2,525.00
J & M Display (Fourth of July Fireworks)	\$ 3,775.75
MFA Oil (fuel)	\$ 7,166.40
Midwest Meter (12 Meters)	\$ 2,010.34
Midwest Meter (12" Mag Meter \$3880.00)	\$ 4,289.75
MISO	\$ 2,645.61
Mississippi Lime (Quicklime)	\$ 3,399.30
Motorola Systems (New Motorola Radio's City wide)	\$ 68,648.22
Remley Sales (Benoit Irrigation)	\$ 12,327.00
S & S Electric (NE Pump house Motor)	\$ 1,315.00
T & R Electric (Single Phase Pole Mounts)	\$ 2,030.00

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Titan Industrial Chemicals (Grow no more)	\$ 2,403.50
UMB Bank (Substation Lease)	\$ 12,764.24
US Bank (Lakeview Lease Purchase)	\$ 147,122.36
TOTAL	\$ 405,261.82

ADDED AFTER GGFC MEETING

HD Supply Utilities (Triplex \$950.00)	\$ 2,044.90
Central Concrete (Two statements)	\$ 2,508.22
Five Oaks Associates (Current Amt due for 105 N Allen Project)	\$ 1,991.71
MCR ENTERPRISES INC (3 manhole Rehab)	\$ 1,920.00
Ozark Applicators (NE & SW Tower inspections)	\$ 1,600.00
TOTAL	\$ 10,064.83

ADDED TODAY

Boone Elec Coop (Lift Station & NE & NW Pump Stations)	\$ 1,567.90
MJMEUC (PS Estimated Demand Charge)	\$ 23,674.36
TOTAL	\$ 25,242.26
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 440,568.91

Alderman Bormann made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$440,568.91. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

The Comments from Citizens section of the meeting was opened at 7:25 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Kenny Cooley – 820 Emerald Dr, Centralia

Cooley wanted to speak to the council regarding the condition of the streets of Centralia. He stated he has been proud of Centralia, and has even put a sign up on 124 that reads “Welcome to Centralia”. Cooley made note of some the streets in Centralia that he feels need to be fixed or an overlay applied, such as Emerald Drive. He noted that the high traffic areas and thorough fares need it the most. Cooley stated that he has knowledge and good common sense about roads. He addressed board members only regarding the proposed repairs to be discussed for Switzler Street. He feels the City is spending too much money on it and questioned if they have looked at overlaying it. Mayor Grenke noted that the City did take some boring samples and found it wasn’t feasible to overlay because of the truck traffic. There was a lengthy discussion regarding the current condition of Switzler Street and the different factors used to determine what action needed to be taken to repair or replace the road.

Cooley expressed his opinion that the City should not spend \$100,000 to replace the road when so many other streets in town could be fixed with that money as well.

Behrns noted that the City will be addressing a contract with an engineer later in this session. He noted that there had been a lot of discussion about what is underneath Switzler Street in contemplation of doing the work. He also informed that there is a need for the water department to put a pipe under the street and there will be a cut trench in that street for a period of time. Anyone is able to look in the trench. Behrns noted that if the engineer says it’s possible to do an overlay, then the City will accept that recommendation.

Alderman Sanders questioned the method used to do the core sampling, which was done with a drill. He suggested that with a core sampling machine, we could get a real core sample for \$2000 – \$2500 and the City might not need an engineer.

Forsee noted that his crew drilled down 14 inches. Alderman Bormann noted that the purpose of the core sample was to see how much asphalt there was. Forsee stated that there was 6-8 inches of asphalt, and he had taken three

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samples in three different locations. Behrns stated that if the Board wants a full sample, then we will hire a company to do the full sample. The street will still have to be cut for the water pipe.

Pam Coombs – 320 S Columbia, Centralia

Coombs, who stated she is working on a civil engineering degree, suggested that the board contact the University of Missouri for students to do a study in Centralia, which she didn't think would cost the City any money. She noted that the students would be working under professors.

Behrns noted that the City doesn't need a street analysis, as we already have one and know which streets to focus on. There was some discussion whether or not the professors would use their professional stamp on plans for the City if the work was done by the students in the class. Coombs insisted they would, but Alderman Bormann said that he has never heard of that happening before.

Behrns noted that the proposal on tonight's agenda is with Luebbert Engineering to do Switzler and Jefferson streets and includes the design, testing, staking, and everything for both sections of the street for \$41,000. The cost is not to exceed this amount. At this time, nothing is set in stone, and he has walked the street with the engineer.

The Comments from Citizens section was closed at 7:55 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Discussions with Chamber of Commerce Director Ginny Zoellers

Ginny Zoellers was not present at the meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Proposed Rezoning of Parcel at 316 W Bruton from R-1 (One-Family Dwelling District) to R-3 (Multi-Family Dwelling District) or R-2 (Two-Family Dwelling District)

Public hearing was opened at 7:55 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Behrns gave an update from the Planning & Zoning committee from the preliminary public hearing. The gentleman interested is buying the parcel adjacent to this property and would like to keep the zoning on 316 the same as the property around it. During the P & Z meeting, people spoke out about rezoning to R-3, and were not in favor of this request, but would be ok with rezoning to R-2.

The P&Z committee would not recommend rezoning the property to R-3, but rezoning to R-2 would be acceptable. A letter from Mike & Karol Dinwiddie was presented, and they stated they would support rezoning to R-2 but not R-3 rezoning. There were no other comments except for Mr. Ware who asked to build a duplex only on this lot. Everything north of Bruton is already zoned R-3 or B-1.

Lloyd Ware was absent, but Coombs spoke on his behalf as his business partner.

The duplex they would like to build would be 2900 square feet on one side and 2400 square feet on the other side.

Public hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

ACTION AGENDA:

Finance:

Authorizing budgeted transfers

Behrns noted that he would like to make the following inter-fund transfers:

- 1) \$35,000 from water to general fund
- 2) \$80,000 from electric to general fund
- 3) \$20,000 from electric to cemetery

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Alderman Simmons made a motion to transfer \$35,000 from the water fund to the general fund, \$80,000 from the electric fund to the general fund, and \$20,000 from the electric fund to the cemetery fund. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Permits and Licenses: None Scheduled

Legal:

ORDINANCE: Rezoning Parcel at 316 W Bruton from R-1 (One Family Dwelling District to R-3 (Multiple-Family Dwelling District)

Behrns addressed the Board and noted that at their discretion, they can make and accept the motion to take no action, or choose one of the 2 versions of the ordinances to adopt.

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to accept the Planning & Zoning committee's recommendation to rezone 316 W Bruton to R-2 zoned district. The motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE: Rezoning Parcel at 316 W Bruton from R-1 (One Family Dwelling District to R-2 (Two-Family Dwelling District)

Alderman Wilkins presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2618 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF CERTAIN LAND IN THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI FROM ZONE DISTRICT R-1 TO ZONE DISTRICT R-2 AND AMENDING THE ZONING DISTRICT MAP ACCORDINGLY." Alderman Wilkins 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 Wilkins 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 Wilkins 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, Magley, Sanders, Simmons, and Wilkins. 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 2688.

PURCHASING:

ORDINANCE: Authorizing Contract with Luebbert Engineering for Services Relating to Reconstruction of Portions of Switzler Street and Jefferson Street

Alderman Sanders suggested to table the decision since there has been so much discussion about this issue. Some discussion was held regarding the suggestion to have a student survey done for the street project. Behrns noted that if the Council did not pass the ordinance tonight, it will not prohibit the work on the project.

Alderman Sanders made a motion to table the decision until next month. The motion was seconded by Alderman Magley. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed with the following Alderman voting FOR: Magley, Angell, Simmons, and Sanders. Voting AGAINST: Wilkins and Bormann.

Electric Dept. Foreman Mark Mustain suggested using a 12" auger to drill out some holes in the street. Mayor Grenke responded that he thought that would be acceptable. Water Dept. Mike Forsee noted that there was a need to put new valve box on Lee and Switzler, and the holes for samples could come from there rather than digging in the street. There was some discussion regarding some of the work that has been done by City crews along Switzler street in the past, and neither Forsee or Mustain recall having to go through any concrete to make their repairs.

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Bormann noted that he had seen some of the plans and nothing indicated that there was any concrete used on the street.

There was more discussion regarding hiring an engineer to inform the City of the best route to take to repair or replace Switzler street. After more discussion about laying a seal coat or doing an overlay, and possibly milling the street, Alderman Angell noted that he had been wavering on his vote earlier. Behrns said that we could have a clear, definitive answer by waiting a month. There was more discussion about the capacity of the new bobcat being able to handle a small milling machine. Mustain suggested leaving the decision up to bobcat to let him know what the machine could handle.

ORDINANCE: Authorizing Contract with Mark Robertson, PLS for services relating to Surveying in the City of Centralia Cemetery

Behrns reported that the information necessary to complete this contract was not available, and requested that the decision be deferred to next month.

Replacement Control Panel for Northwest Sewer Treatment Plant

Mustain presented the following quotes. He noted that the new starter would be a solid state soft start. The JCI warranty is 3 years. Some discussion regarding the comparison of the items listed on the two bids.

Bids:	Butler Supply	JCI Industries
Electric Soft Start Control	3299.00	1451.00

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to accept the bid from JCI industries in the amount of \$1,451.00, plus a small freight charge. The motion was second by Alderman Simmons. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Replacement Pump Housing Piping

Forsee presented pictures of the proposed replacement and gave some background information on the existing pumps. He said that the City is hoping to have a no-discharge system at the lagoons and he needs to be able to pump water to the farmers when they need it. Mayor Grenke questioned if there was a cost to discharge the water. Forsee noted that the City is now a partial discharge system, and anytime they are discharging, they must get samples daily. If they keep doing this, they have to put in disinfection system. Pumping is way to get rid of the water and the farmers' use it as needed.

Bids on NW Pump House Piping

	Water & Sewer	HD Supply
Items:		
1 – 10” flange swing check valve	\$1689.50	\$1070.30
1 – 10” flange gate valve / hand wheel	\$1251.25	\$3578.12
1 – 10” flange tee	\$ 471.75	\$ 407.60
1 – 10” x 22” flange spool	\$ 361.59	\$ 416.88
1 – 10” x 27 1/16” flange spool	\$ 402.05	\$ 477.50
6 – 10” flange kits	\$ 163.14	\$ 192.00
TOTAL =	\$4339.28	\$6142.40

Alderman Simmons made a motion to accept the bid from Water & Sewer in the amount of \$4,339.28. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bormann. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor:

Appointments:

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Aldermen:

Alderman Wilkins noted that he feels there is a dust control problem parallel to Columbia. He would like to put on the agenda for public utilities for possible dust control remedies. Wilkins also noted that the Centralia PD had done a good job to stop a potentially violent incident.

Alderman Sanders stated that he would like to change mowing ordinance to not have hay bailing in town. Alderman Bormann said the he was not sure that we can prevent someone from farming by state law. Attorney Beck noted that since adopting zoning code, agriculture use is allowed on any lot in town. Some things like chickens are more regulated. Behrns said that to restrict agriculture use would make it more difficult to annex property into the city. Some discussion was held regarding the use of property in town for agriculture purposes. Alderman Sanders stated that he would like it on the agenda to discuss during the general government meeting.

City Administrator:

City Attorney:

Beck had good news to report. There was a press release that Senate bill 628 was passed, and it had grown from a 2 page bill to a 100 page bill. It still needs to be signed by Governor Nixon, and would go into effect 8/28/12 to allow cities to adopt an optional court cost fee.

City Clerk

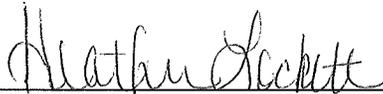
Lockett reminded the council that the Missouri Municipal League meeting in Columbia would be held on May 31, 2012. Please send the RSVP by May 24th.

As May Arise:

Mayor Grenke reiterated Wilkins' praise on the good job the PD had done on Tuesday, as Chief Dudgeon had been out of the room.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.



Heather Lockett, City Clerk