

Mayor Grenke called the recessed meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Jon Angell, Don Bormann, Landon Magley, 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 Sergeant Robert Bias

Others present: James Smith with the Centralia Fireside Guard

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Mayor Grenke opened the floor for comments from citizens at 7:03 p.m.

Zach Townsend

Townsend stated that he is earning merit badge for Boy Scouts by attending a public meeting.

Mayor Grenke closed the floor for comments from citizens at 7:04 p.m.

ORDINANCE: Setting Compensation for Certain City Employee
Bill NO: 2629

Alderman Bormann presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2629 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF A CERTAIN EMPLOYEE OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI." 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 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 Bormann 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 2699.

Fire Chief Denny Rusch entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m.

- Accepting Sewer Force Line

There was some discussion about the specifics of doing a sewer force line under Highway 124 between the new Forrest Chevrolet location and the old Saddle Saloon location.

Alderman Simmons made a motion to give Behrns the authority to sign the letter to assume the forced line. The motion was seconded by Alderman Sanders. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

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Beck informed that at the next meeting there will be 2 ordinances 1) adopt biometric court cost fee 2) ordinance offense considered 3rd degree domestic assault as it was changed by the State in 2012.

Beck also noted that last week Alderman Wilkins had contacted him and had sent an attorney general's opinion from 2009 that dealt with same test dealing with the synthetic drug issue. Beck paraphrased part of the opinion that if the City adopts an ordinance that prohibits everything that state law prohibits, then it would be valid to prohibit more if did adopt an ordinance to prohibit more than state law prohibits. Beck's opinion is that it would be valid to adopt another ordinance to prohibit more than state law currently allows. His recommendation would be if more chemical substances are desired to be added to the existing ordinance, then we could make a subsection B to list other chemical substances.

Lieutenant Bias stated that the Police Department would like at least a month to research it and see what they can come up with that might be added.

Grenke noted that next Monday night there would be three Council members absent to attend the MML conference.

Bias questioned if Beck had looked at driving under revocation as an ordinance. Beck responded that City Prosecuting Attorney April Wilson asked to have an ordinance prepared but he has not done so yet as he is waiting on further information from Wilson. Beck noted that there is a 2012 State law change in effect where was jail time associated with driving while suspended has been changed to make it a fine only. He has received a request to make the ordinance match the state law.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.


Heather Lockett, City Clerk