

Mayor Grenke called the recessed meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Don Bormann, Landon Magley, Dick Ward and David Wilkins answered roll call.

Absent: Aldermen Andrea Vollrath and Jim Lee

Also present were City Administrator Matt Harline, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Sgt. Robert Bias, Fire Chief Denny Rusch, and James Smith with the Centralia Fireside Guard

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

The Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was opened at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Hearing no comments, the Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was closed at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

ACTION AGENDA:

Finance: None

Permits & Licensing: None

Legal: None

Purchasing:

ORDINANCE: Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Centralia, Missouri to enter into an Agreement with Banner Fire Equipment, Inc., of Roxana, Illinois, to purchase a "Mini-Pumper Fire Apparatus" for the price of Two Hundred and Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars, (\$202,495.00)

Harline noted that this is the truck chosen by the Board in July. At next week's full Board meeting, we will have a recommendation for a financing option, and he anticipates between two and four proposals. If we get a bank to do a tax free lease purchase, they will make a full payment to Banner up front and we'll get a 3% refund for the amount of time it takes them to build/manufacture the truck.

Alderman Wilkins presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2765 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BANNER FIRE EQUIPMENT, INC., OF, ROXANA, ILLINOIS, TO PURCHASE A "MINI-PUMPER FIRE APPARATUS" FOR THE PRICE OF TWO HUNDRED AND TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED NINETY FIVE DOLLARS, (\$202,495.00)." 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 Bormann 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 Magley 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 Bormann seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Magley, Ward 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 2821.

Harline stated that the next three items were discussed at the committee meeting, but decided to have them presented at the full board meeting as opposed to the committee meeting.

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Purchase of Street Lighting Materials from Butler Supply for Eight Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$8,295.50) – Best of two bids

Bids were provided as follows for street light materials:

Butler Supply - \$8,295.50

H D Supply - \$8,374.40

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to approve the purchase of street light materials from Butler Supply in the amount of \$8,295.50. Alderman Magley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of Line Locator from WESCO for Four Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$4,127) – Best of five bids

Bormann – is this an underground locator, or fault locator

Harline – was a budgeted item – called a cable locator – had budgeted \$5000.

Bids were provided as follows for a line locator:

WESCO - \$4,127.00

H D Supply - \$4171.30

Kriz-Davis Company - \$4261.00

Butler Supply - \$4,301.00

Fletcher-Reinhardt Company - \$4,356.70

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to approve the purchase of the line locator from WESCO in the amount of \$4,127. Alderman Magley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

Purchase of One Hundred (100) Centron Transponders from BluTower, Inc for the price of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000)

Grenke noted that this item was discussed during last week's meeting, and the City would pay \$100 each for buying 100 transponders. Looking for an alternate vendor, but right now this is the only option.

Harline discussed the increase in price of the transponders from BluTower over the years. These transponders work well for the electric utility, but we are somewhat worried we'll have an orphan system in 5-10 years because this company does not make anything other than the electric transponders. He mentioned that there are other types of meter that talk back, meaning that the meters send out a signal during an outage alerting us to which houses are without power. The City may not have to change out the meters, just the transponders. Bormann said the 100 transponders should last 3-5 years, and questions if that is about the time we'd be looking for something else. Harline said yes, it would be.

Alderman Magley made a motion to approve the purchase of 100 Centron Transponders from BluTower, Inc in the amount of \$10,000. Alderman Ward seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mulch Grant

Harline said is not asking Board to authorize the grant, but one of the workers in the electric dept owns and operates an old fashioned hog farm with his family and they were looking to get our mulch to use on their cattle grazing fields. We don't have any cost now associated with the mulch, and if we applied for a grant we'd have to come up with ¼ of the total operating cost, meaning we'd have to spend \$1600 or come up with \$1600 in-kind cost. We have a lot of mulch, but we can continue our operations without additional expenditure. Grenke questioned if transportation cost would be accounted for in the grant. Harline responded that transportation cost is the most of it, and the thing they'd want funding for. There was some discussion regarding the need for the grant.

Plastic Recycling

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Harline said that Phil Hoffman has questioned if the City will continue to take some, most or all of our plastics to Ryan. Harline feels the City needs to make a decision on this subject, not tonight, but sometime soon. We currently take about two truck-loads every other week, and we're not bringing rock back anymore. Bormann suggested that the City grind it and take fewer loads.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor: None

Appointments: None

City Administrator:

Harline noted that he didn't get the ad in the paper on time for the public hearing setting the property tax rates, and the Board will need to have a meeting on the 24th or 31st to give enough time for the public hearing and then to adopt the ordinance.

James questioned when the ad needed to be in the paper. Harline said it will be in this Wednesday's paper, and has to be at least a week in advance

There was some discussion regarding recessing the Board meeting on August 17th to August 31st.

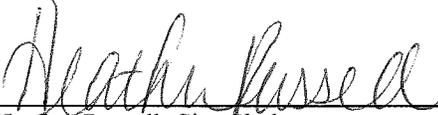
City Attorney: None

City Clerk: None

AS MAY ARISE

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

The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 p.m.



Heather Russell, City Clerk