

Mayor Grenke called the regular meeting to order at 7:26 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Don Bormann, Robert Hudson, James Lee, Landon Magley, Don Rodgers, and David Wilkins answered roll call.

Absent: None

Also present were City Administrator Matt Harline, City Attorney Cydney Mayfield, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon, James Smith with the Centralia Fireside Guard, Lynn Behrns, Linda Bormann, LeeAllen Smith, David Whitaker, Bride Gibler, Robert Paben

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 Meetings – March 19, 2018 & March 29, 2018
- B. Minutes of Public Works and Public Utilities Committee Meeting – April 2, 2018
- C. Minutes of General Government and Public Safety Committee Meeting – April 9, 2018
- D. Minutes of the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting – March 22, 2018
- E. Reports
 - 1. Treasurer’s & Collector’s Reports
 - 2. Activity Reports

Motion was made by Alderman Hudson to accept the consent agenda in its entirety. 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 \$268,221.72 as follows:

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE OVER \$1250

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| Ameren (Transmission Chgs) | \$20,734.72 |
| Ameren UE (Heating Bill) | \$2,484.87 |
| Big Rivers Electric (Capacity) | \$24,250.00 |
| Columbia Freightliner (Unit # 29 Parts/ Repairs) | \$2,038.83 |
| Lauber Municipal Law (Legal Services) | \$2,000.00 |
| MFA Oil (Fuel) | \$3,526.45 |
| Midland GIS Solutions (Website Hosting) | \$4,800.00 |
| MJMEUC (Prairie State Charges) | \$83,877.83 |
| Nextera | \$97,555.19 |
| Ozark Applicators (Annual Inspection of towers) | \$1,800.00 |
| Premier Pyrotechnics, Inc (2018 Fireworks) | \$4,500.01 |
| Progressive Landscaping (Cemetery Mowing) | \$2,821.43 |
| S & S Electric (Sims Motor Rep) | \$1,965.00 |
| UMB Bank (MAMU) | \$12,384.85 |
| Wilkerson Bro (Rock) | \$3,482.54 |
| TOTAL | \$268,221.72 |

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| GRAND TOTAL | \$268,221.72 |
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Grenke asked if Ozark Applicators found any issues with their inspections. Harline said he will get a report from Mike Forsee.

Alderman Wilkins made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$268,221.72. Alderman Lee seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

The Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was opened at 7:28 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Hearing no comments, the Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was closed at 7:29 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The report from the Chamber of Commerce was provided in the meeting packet.

Harline said that Ginny will be at the May 7th meeting to discuss the beautification project they are working on. He said that Alderman Jim Lee has been working on that. Grenke said the annual banquet is coming up on April 26th.

ACTION AGENDA:

Finance:

City Collector's Report on Delinquent Property Taxes:

The Delinquent Tax Report as of March 31, 2018 from the Boone County Collector was included in the packet with a report on the comparison of 2016 taxes versus 2017 by City Collector Russell. Alderman Wilkins made the motion to approve the Delinquent Tax Report as of March 31, 2018 and the Tax Comparison Report as submitted. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Report on County Tax Abatements:

The Boone County Collector had submitted a report to the City Collector for the abatement of 2012 personal property taxes that are considered to be uncollectible in the amount of \$191.81 for the General Fund and Parks & Recreation Revenue and \$73.92 for the Library funds for a grand total of \$265.73. Alderman Wilkins made the motion to accept the Boone County Collector's Report on 2012 Tax Abatement for personal property taxes. Alderman Hudson seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Utility Bills Bad Debt Charge-offs as of 3/31/2018

Harline said that the women in the City Clerk's office are pretty outstanding at remembering people who move back to town and trying to collect the money. We get criticized for turning electric off so quickly, about a month after it's due, but it does cut down on the amount that we write off each year.

A report of the utility bills to be charged off as bad debts was presented in the amount of \$10,694.33. Alderman Wilkins made a motion to approve the bad debt charge-offs in the amount of \$10,694.33. Alderman Lee seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Approving Budgeted Inter-Fund Transfers

Harline said the budgeted inter-fund transfers include \$50,000 from the Water Fund to the General Fund in two payments on April 30, 2018 and October 31, 2018, \$150,000 from the Electric Fund to the General Fund in two payments on April 30, 2018 and October 31, 2018, and \$30,000 from the Electric Fund to the Cemetery Fund in one payment on April 30, 2018. Alderman Wilkins made a motion to approve the budgeted transfers on of \$50,000 from the Water Fund to the General Fund, \$150,000 from the Electric Fund to the General Fund and \$30,000 from the

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Electric Fund to the Cemetery Fund. Alderman Hudson seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Permits & Licensing: None

Legal:

ORDINANCE: Authorizing the Mayor to Enter into a Professional Administration Services Agreement with the Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission

Alderman Wilkins presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2221 to create an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL ADMINISTRATION SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE MID-MISSOURI REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION.” 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 Lee 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 Lee 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 Lee seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2954.

ORDINANCE: Amending Chapter 22 of the City of Centralia, Missouri to reflect changes in the personnel compensation for the employees of the City of Centralia, Missouri

Harline said that there is a memo in the packet. In the negotiations with collective bargaining unit they asked for accelerated advancement for reaching professional certifications. Right now a new employee gets a raise at 6 months, then 2 years then 5 years. This would advance the last increase to 4 years. Changes in chapter 22 to allow for what is in the collective bargaining agreement for 6:30 a.m. start time in the summer, and that the union is now the Local 773 instead of Local 45. It also addresses a couple of other things. The agreement typically ran for two years. at the request of the union we are extending the agreement to three years. We have talked to the union and they have no objection to requiring all employees to have direct deposit for their pay checks.

Alderman Rodgers presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2222 to create an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 22 SECTIONS 22-2, 22-40, 22-44, AND 22-45 OF THE CENTRALIA CITY CODE CONCERNING EMPLOYEES.” Alderman Rodgers 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 Wilkins and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Rodgers moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins 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 Rodgers 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, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2955.

Whitaker and Paben left the meeting at 7:40 p.m.

ORDINANCE: Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a revised Collective Bargaining Agreement with Laborer’s Local International Union, Local #773

Alderman Lee presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2223 to create an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE RATIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF A REVISED COLLECTIVE

BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH LABORERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION OF NORTH AMERICA LOCAL 773 AND TO AMEND THE PAY SCALE.” Alderman Lee 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 Wilkins and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Lee moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins 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 Lee moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Wilkins seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2956.

ORDINANCE: Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Tax Collection Agreement with Boone County

Harline said he received a report from Brian McCullom last week, and this is the ordinance that goes with it.

Alderman Bormann presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2224 to create an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A TAX COLLECTION AGREEMENT WITH BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI, THROUGH THE BOONE COUNTY COMMISSION.” 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 Wilkins 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 Wilkins 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 Wilkins seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2957.

Purchasing:

ORDINANCE: Amending the Contract with Bartlett & West, Inc. to Amend the Existing Agreement for On-Call Services

Harline said the agreement with Bartlett & West includes a note. He said they typically do their adjustment in January so this is dated through January 2019, and they promise no more than a 5% increase after January 1, 2019.

Alderman Hudson presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2225 to create an ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO AMEND THE EXISTING AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH BARTLETT & WEST, INC.” Alderman Hudson 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 Wilkins and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Hudson moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins 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 Hudson moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Wilkins seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2958.

ORDINANCE: Amending the Contract with Engineering Surveys & Services to Amend the Existing Agreement for On-Call Services

Alderman Magley presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2226 to create an ordinance entitled “**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO AMEND THE EXISTING AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH ENGINEERING SURVEYS AND SERVICES, LLC.**” Alderman Magley 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 Wilkins and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Magley moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Wilkins 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 Magley moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Wilkins seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, 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 2959.

Amending the Contract with Engineering Surveys & Services to accept the new price list for April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to amend the contract with Engineering Surveys & Services to accept the new price list for April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019. Alderman Hudson seconded the motion. Aldermen voting FOR: Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, Wilkins. Voting AGAINST: None. Abstaining: Bormann

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Report on Police Vehicle Expenses

B. Purchase of Narragansett Building

1. Payment of Frank Love

Harline said we are very close and we have an actual lien release. Once we write a check to Frank Love and a check to the county for the taxes, we will need approval to write the check but not deliver unless we have everything together before May 7th. He said he would report on May 7th with the progress. DeLaRosa will not get the check until we have everything together. Bormann asked if the taxes had already been paid. Harline said they have not been paid yet.

2. Paying Property Taxes for 110 E. Railroad

Harline said that if we don't make the tax payment before May 1st, there will be more fees assessed. He said he was asking the Board to allow him to go ahead and take care of this. We have the lien release from Frank Love and have been in contact with Myrtle Wright. DeLaRosa is waiting to receive the lien release from Wright, and we've been told the bill has been paid the lien release is on its way. The City's agreement with DeLaRosa was to pay the taxes.

Hudson questioned if the taxes would come out of his portion of the payment. Bormann asked if the demolition the grant had been approved. Harline said that the grant is not formally approved, but the City has a have very good chance to receive it based on conversations with the people who are scoring the grant. Rodgers said the City would own the building whether or not we get the grant. Harline said the grants are in and we have a very good chance of getting this money based on letters from Congressmen, agreements with Cornett, and the shape of the building.

Alderman Hudson made a motion to prepare checks with all of the agreements and pay the taxes before the end of April 2018 in the amount of \$2,520.75. Alderman Lee seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor:

Appointments:

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Mayor Grenke reappointed John Kottwitz and Thelma Chandler to Cemetery Board for three year term. Alderman Wilkins made motion to accept the Mayor's reappointments of John Kottwitz and Thelma Chandler to Cemetery Board for three year term. Alderman Hudson seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator:

Monthly Report – March 2018

The report was provided in the meeting packet.

Harline said that after talking with Todd Goffay and Mike Watson for the ESP Energy Savings project, and Kent Clow, they have determined that it is not ready to go. To keep it on the schedule we would have to come up with a plan to move on the operations of City Hall in about 6 weeks. Clow recommends putting the project on hold until late summer, early fall. Harline said the Board does not have to do anything unless they disagree. Harline said that the cost of the repairs of the City Hall building are \$80,000 – \$85,000, which includes the community room improvements and bathrooms accessible to the public to open with a gate. That part of the project does not gain any saved energy. He said the water plant portion was taken out out. Goffay suggested looking at it in the fall with financing, or pay in cash from the Electric fund. Harline said we did the tuck pointing and roof repairs for about \$80,000. He said that an excellent point was made last week, which the appearance of asking for an increase in water and sewer rates then renovating City Hall might not be good timing. The contractor they are going use, Nick Bryson, wouldn't mind doing it in the colder months when he isn't building houses.

Hudson questioned if we were talking about putting the whole thing on hold or just the renovation of City Hall. Harline said we could bring that back in May to discuss the energy savings portion, and he would hate to lose that piece because that's pretty important. Hudson asked if we could move forward with the energy savings projects without the renovation project. Harline said that theoretically we are saving that money anyway. Grenke said he would like to bring it back for discussion on May 7th. Bormann questioned how much of the project the City crews could do. Harline said they could do the lighting, but it would pull them off of other projects. Bormann said it appears the City will pay a management fee, and asked why the City couldn't manage it ourselves.

Mayfield said she would like the opportunity to look over the contract before there is any vote taken on it.

There was some discussion regarding the contract and who would be managing the projects.

Harline said he would recommend calling a special meeting for May 7th for the utility ordinances.

Alderman Hudson made a motion to call a special meeting on May 7, 2018 at 7 p.m. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

City Attorney:

Mayfield referred to a copy of the Sunshine Law and the importance of government transparency, which she said is critical. She said that should the Board decide to call a closed session, it is important that the Board know that there are repercussions for taking information outside of a closed session. She said that if there is concrete proof someone did that, it could be grounds for impeachment.

City Clerk:

Russell said that the Central Regional meeting for MML would be held in Higginsville on May 23, 2018. She told the Board that if anyone planned to attend to let her know and she would submit the registration. Grenke said he would like to attend the meeting.

LeeAllen Smith said he had a question about when the agenda changed. Harline said there were some changes to the schedule and changes to the Smith questioned how the City would notify everyone when it changed. Mayfield questioned if he was are you talking about the vacation on the agenda. Grenke said that in the past, we get the agenda out the Friday before the meeting, but minor changes happen over the weekend. Wilkins said that with the website redesign, if you signed up to get updates you would receive electronic notice.

Mayfield said that a Board of Aldermen has control of the agenda and can make changes up until the time of the meeting. The control of the agenda is at the discretion of the Board. According to the

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Sunshine Law, the full title of the ordinance needs to be posted at least 24 hours before the meeting. The agenda can change even during the night of the Board of Aldermen meeting.

Grenke said that he had planned to give Matt Harline his evaluation but has already given that to him verbally, so there was no need to go into closed session tonight.

AS MAY ARISE

Harline announced that he has accepted new employment as the City Administrator of Holts Summit, and he will bring some options to the Board for an interim City Administrator. Bormann suggested to get an advertisement out to MML for the position.

ADJOURN

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.



Heather Russell, City Clerk

