

Minutes of the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee for Monday, April 2, 2018.

The meeting was called to order by Alderman, Jim Lee, and Chairperson at 7:02 p.m.

Present for the meeting were Aldermen Vollrath, Magley, Wilkins, Hudson, and Lee Mayor Tim Grenke, City Administrator Matthew Harline, and Chief Larry Dudgeon. Also in attendance were Electric Dept Foreman Jeff Armontrout, Water Department Foreman Mike Forsee, Chief Dudgeon, and James Smith from Centralia Fireside Guard & Citizen Don and Linda Bormann, Heather Williamson, Brandon Beasley, and Megan Mabrey.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Comments from Citizens

Linda Bormann of 800 Jason Ct, she said has been researching for a while and was very passionate about recycling, she was not sure anyone could answer her questions and she stated that Phil Hoffman the Street Department foreman was not there. Ms. Bormann said when Dayne's took over recycling they did not take glass and now they do, she says when it was being picked up one day, she heard the glass being broken down into shards and she believes the recyclables are being contaminated. Bormann said she had contacted a few people and Hallsville's recycling is being done by Dayne's as well. She wants to know are these trucks being contaminated. Are these items actually being recycled? Bormann said Columbia and Hallsville do not have to separate their recyclables; it really upsets her that we have to. Why do we have to separate anything if Hallsville and Columbia do not have to? Whoever recycles, is it being contaminated? She wishes Phil Hoffman was here and is unsure if anyone can answer her questions. Harline stated that he can answer this and that Dayne's used to go to the Handi-Shop in Mexico where they do not accept glass. Dayne's now takes the recyclables to Columbia and we added glass back to the collection system. Harline said the difference with Dayne's trucks and Columbia, is that Columbia has a split hopper truck and Dayne's does not. In Columbia they crush glass and use it on site. Harline said there are some cities working with Ripple Glass created by Boulevard Beer Company. Bormann said Columbia does not let customers recycle glass. Harline said they do. Lee asked Bormann, do you put glass in your recycling bag and she does. Bormann is upset, does not care what Columbia does! Harline questioned Bormann, so when this began you wanted glass in, so now we have it in and now you want it out. Bormann said yes she wants glass taken out and all other items to be put in one bag and not have to separate them. Bormann says she will just drive up and put her wine bottles in the street department recycling bins. Harline asked for the names of the people she talked to in Hallsville and Columbia and Bormann does not have the names but can call them tomorrow. Harline will contact Hallsville and Columbia tomorrow as well.

IV. Electric Department

A. Activity report.

Wilkins asked about the pole on Sunset and Armontrout said it is aged, it will not fall

over. It is in the back yard, that's why they have not done anything yet.

B. Generation/Purchase

Harline is signing the Contract with Nextra for June 1, 2020-May 31, 2023.

C. Distribution

1. Electric rate decrease

Harline stated last year increased rates for the base meter fee and consumption by 5%; this was to cover the cost of the storm damage/outage from July 2016. With this we will know that the rates will be stable for the next five years and will offset the increases in water and sewer.

C. Other

None

V. PUBLIC WORKS

A. Activity report.

No comments.

B. Streets

No comments.

C. Sanitation

There are two weekends this year for spring clean up they are Friday April 13 at Noon to 7:00p.m. Saturday through Sunday April 14 and 15, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday April 20 at Noon to 7:00 p.m. Saturday through Sunday April 21 and 22, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Harline brought up that we do have 2 yard loaner dumpsters that are also available this helps keep the City cleaned up as well. There are two that circulate around town. They are on a first come first serve basis. Sometime there is a small waiting list.

D. Storm Sewer

None

E. Other

None

VI. Water and Sewer Department

A. Activity report.

Forsee said they are checking sewers while all of the rain is coming down. They have had a good pump test. It gave them a good idea of what we need to get fixed. Increasing the size will help. Grenke asked how old the meters are and Forsee said we have had them since 1985. Forsee has two bids for supplies and one for chlorine, because they are over \$5,000 they will need to be in the next meeting. Forsee will give these to Phyllis and they may have a special meeting.

B. Water
None

C. Sewer
None

D. Other

1. Water and Sewer rate increases

Harline said these are the numbers for the water and sewer, anticipating if the bond issue does pass. If it does not pass we will still need to look at purchase. Harline is not sure we have had a second rate purchase, for the bills that will go out. Next year's rate increase will go up. Harline said if you use 8,000 gallons of water/sewer we are looking at a \$3.00 increase. The electric rate decreases will offset these increases. Harline's plan is to bring forward an ordinance, right now this is informational.

Hudson made a motion and Wilkins seconded the motion recommending the staff to draft an ordinance and approved by unanimous voice vote.

VII. Other

A. Construction Standards for City Infrastructure.

Harline met with Engineering and Surveying Services drafting language in code and referencing for specific standards for street and construction infrastructures. They will meet with key staff, Harline said except water and sewer. They may use surrounding and the City of Columbia standards, with the idea of having something established this summer. He knows this has been a concern for this board. Harline said for example South Central Street all of this depends on staff and contractors that are trained out enforcing. They will bring back a plan, next month.

B. Closing N Allen St. from the alley north to Railroad Street and adjoining City Parking lot from 8:00am to 11:00pm on Saturday April 1, 2018. Heather Williams of 526 Orchard Street, representing Camp New Hope has an event on April 7, 2018 at 10:00 am the bike show will start at noon, wanting it blocked off at 11:00 a.m. She is unsure if there will be many children, there will be mostly adults. Harline said the critical thing is to close the street off in time for safety reasons. The concern is between The Railway bar and the city parking lot. The fundraising event is for Camp New Hope, 30 kids get to go to camp for free because of the fundraising event. Williams hopes to increase the number of children that can attend. The kids are 8-12 year olds boys and girls the Camp is in Clarence. Magley says lets close the parking lot. Dudgeon says Tangles will be open, let's be respectful of these businesses. People will be going back and forth and that is the concern. They are expecting 20-30 bikes at the event. Harline wants to close the street because safety issues. Dudgeon says let's play it by ear and he will be ready to put up saw horses if needed.

Magley made a motion to close the City parking lot, possibly closing the street if it shows to be a danger and Wilkins seconded this motion and approved by unanimous voice vote.

- B. Closed Meeting*
- 1. Pending Litigation
- 2. City Administrator Evaluation

CLOSED SESSION:

Alderman Wilkins moved the Board of Aldermen of the City of Centralia, Missouri hold a closed meeting and a closed vote, and the specific reason for closing the meeting and having a closed vote was:

1. For legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys as provided for under Section 610.021 (1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri; and
2. Section 610.021(3) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body.

Alderman Wilkins asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Alderman Vollrath. Aldermen voting FOR: Hudson, Lee, Magley, Vollrath, Wilkins. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Rodgers was not present.

The meeting went into closed session at 7:40 p.m.

During the meeting matters were discussed and vote was taken.

Alderman Wilkins moved to return to open session and asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Alderman Vollrath. Aldermen voting FOR: Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers, Vollrath, Wilkins. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Rodgers was not present

The meeting returned to open session at 9:25 p.m.

VIII. AS MAY RISE

Grenke wants to remind everyone that tomorrow is Election Day and call your friends and family to go out and vote. Harline said we have the grant for \$200,000 to construct Randolph road and Chris Finck is chomping at the bit.

IX. ADJOURN.

Wilkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Aldermen Magley and approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Committee adjourned 9:33 p.m.