

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

Roll Call

Roll Call: Aldermen Robert Hudson, James Lee, Landon Magley & Don Rodgers, answered roll call.

Absent: David Wilkins & Don Bormann

Also present were City Administrator Heather Russell, Police Lt. Tim Kribbs & Lt. Joe Bellamy, Water Dept. Foreman Mike Forsee, Electric Dept. Foreman Jeff Armontrout, Street Dept. Foreman Phil Hoffman, and James Smith with the Centralia Fireside Guard & John Wiggins, Boyd Harris & Thomas Schupp.

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 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Hearing no comments, the Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was closed at 7:01p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Public Hearing – Annexation Request:

The public hearing was opened at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Mayor Grenke read a letter from James & Mary Peeper with concerns and questions about the rezoning. They were not opposed to the zoning change to R-1 but did not feel that the area in question does not fit with the family neighborhood that is currently all family owned houses. They also expressed concern of Aldermen Bormann voting on this zoning issue as he was employed by the contractor. They asked that the Board of Aldermen do the right thing and not bring R-2 housing in an R-1 neighborhood.

Russell reported that this was the second public hearing and that notice had been posted in the Centralia Fireside Guard on June 20, 2018. Russell stated that we have to have 14 days after this public hearing for further comments and before we can bring it up as an ordinance to the Board of Aldermen.

Boyd Harris spoke that he felt that this was a reasonable request and reasonable use of the land and location. He felt that it was unfortunate that people want to stereotype people because of the type of housing they live in. He stated that there is a need for both single and multi-family property in Centralia. It is their intent for single family but the R-2 zoning gives them latitude for change. Harris felt that this was appropriate use of the land in that location. Harris had spoken with Tim Chrisman with the Special Road District and he did not foresee an issue with increased traffic but that area may have to wait in inclement weather for plows.

Aldermen Hudson asked what the recommendations of the P&Z Commission and Russell stated the Planning and Zoning Commission voted to approve the annexation and rezoning to R-2.

Phil Hoffman arrived at 7:04pm.

Citizen Don Bormann commented that the adjacent city property to the said proposed annexed and rezoned property is zoned B-2 (Business District) and normally you do not put single family dwellings next to B-2. You would buffer by R-2 or R-3 property which makes this entirely appropriate.

Mayor asked if there were any future plans to rezone the current B-2 property and Harris stated their plans are to leave as is.

Mayor Grenke asked that the Annexation request be added to the agenda for the July 16th Board of Aldermen meeting as per the Planning and Zoning Recommendations.

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Hearing no further comments, the Comments from Citizens portion of the meeting was closed at 7:07 p.m. by Mayor Grenke.

Aldermen Bormann joining council at 7:11pm

ORDINANCE: Authorizing the Mayor of the City of Centralia, Missouri to enter into an Amendment of the Existing Electric Service Agreement with NextEra Power Marketing of Juno Beach, Florida

City Administrator Russell spoke of her conversations with Nextera officials and that she had also spoken with other cities and how they are choosing to go with this agreement. All cities she spoke with were going with the Zone 5 recommendation as it is the safer zone.

Hudson clarified the pricing as he understood it. Russell stated that we would eliminate cost risk through 2023.

Aldermen Lee as if there was any reason why we should not make this trade? Russell spoke of the pros and cons of current contract verse new proposal.

Aldermen Rodgers asked if Nextera called and asked if we would do this. Russell stated that they had approached the city and wanted to trade up from zone 3 to zone 5. Russell stated that City Attorney Mayfield had looked over the contract and felt that it was pretty straight forward.

Aldermen Bormann confirmed that oil prices are rising. Aldermen Hudson stated he felt like it was the right choice.

Aldermen Bormann asked if other entities are switching.

Lee felt that we need to trade with them.

Alderman Hudson presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. **2238** to create an ordinance entitled “**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT OF THE EXISTING ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH NEXTERA ENERGY POWER MARKETING, LLC OF JUNO BEACH, FL.**” 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 Lee 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 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 Hudson 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. 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 **2972**.

New Business:

1. Swearing in Part-Time Police Officer

Mayor Grenke appointed John Wiggins as a part-time police officer with the Centralia Police Dept. Alderman Aldermen Lee made a motion to accept the Mayor’s appointment of John Wiggins as a part-time police officer with the Centralia Police Dept. Alderman Hudson seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

John Wiggins was sworn in by Deputy City Clerk Donna Stephens.

2. Appointments

Mayor Grenke appointed Rhonda Brandow, Marilyn Dick & Linda Luke to the Library Board for a three year term. Alderman Hudson made a motion to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Rhonda Brandow & Marilyn Dick to the Library Board for a three year term. Alderman Lee seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously. Aldermen Lee then made motion to accept the Mayors appointment of Linda Luke to the Library Board for a term of three years with Aldermen Magley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously with Aldermen Hudson abstaining from the vote due to Linda Luke being his mother.

Mayor Grenke appointed Denny Rusch to the Board of Adjustments for a five year term. Alderman Bormann so moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Denny Rusch to the Board of Adjustments for a five year term. Alderman Lee seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

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Mayor Grenke stated that he would contact John Kottwitz and Jessica Orsini to see if they are interested in serving again on the tree board and if so will be appointed at later date.

Closed Meeting:

Alderman Bormann moved for the Board of Aldermen of the City of Centralia, Missouri to hold a closed meeting and a closed vote, and the specific reason for closing the meeting and having a closed vote was as provided for under 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. Alderman Bormann asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Alderman Lee. The motion passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers. Voting AGAINST: None.

The meeting went into closed session at 7:24 p.m.

Mayor ask that Water Foreman Mike Forsee and Electric Foreman Jeff Armontrout join the Board in closed session.

Alderman Hudson made a motion to return to open session and asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. Alderman Rodgers seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Lee, Magley, Rodgers. Voting AGAINST: None.

Board of Aldermen returned to open session at 7:51p.m.

During closed session, only real estate matters were discussed and no vote was taken.

As May Arise: Nothing

Adjourn:

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.



Donna Stephens, Deputy City Clerk