

Minutes of the Public Works and Public Utilities Committee for Monday, May 7, 2018.

Immediately Following Board of Aldermen Recessed meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor, Tim Grenke at 8:12 p.m.

I. Present.

Present also were Aldermen Robert Hudson, Landon Magley, Don Bormann and Don Rodgers. Also attending were City Administrator, Matt Harline, Street & Sanitation Foreman Phil Hoffman, Water & Wastewater Foreman, Mike Forsee Electric Foreman Jeff Armontrout. Citizens present were Deputy City Clerk Donna Stephens, Asst. City Clerk II Phyllis Brown, and James Smith of the Fireside Guard.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The pledge of Allegiance was said during the Special Board of Alderman meeting immediately preceding the committee meeting.

III. Comments from Citizens.

None

IV. Public Works

A. Activity Report

Grenke asked for comments and questions on the Activity Report and there were no comments.

B. Streets

1. Handicap Parking at the Middle School

A diagram of the handicapped spaces as discussed with Harline, Hoffman and CBMS Principal, Nathan Gordon was provided in the packet. There are no handicapped spaces at the middle school now.

Hoffman explained that this option is best because the spaces are near the crosswalk. Hudson questioned if the spaces were better than spaces on the north side of the school. Harline said the north spaces would be up to the school since they are on school property. He said the spaces in the diagram are on City property, and during morning drop off the school has that pretty well monitored. During the rest of the day crossing the street is a bit of a risk.

Grenke said there will be an ordinance needed for May 21st. Harline said he will have the ordinance ready.

2. Report requested on the Jefferson Street Sidewalk and Mayes Meadows projects

Harline said this was the request of Alderman Bormann, who needed more time to go through it.

C. Distribution

1. Spring Cleanup Report

Hoffman said that most of the stuff collected during spring clean-up could have just put it out with their regular trash throughout the year. He said the second weekend all six dumpsters were full. There was some discussion regarding people being able to put out one

large, bulky item per week in their regular trash.

Brown said that City Hall received calls from disabled or elderly people who need help getting their trash out and members of Kiwanis did help with that.

D. Storm Water

1. Mayes Meadows

Harline said they have started the project, and they are getting into the point to be able to do the work. Hudson said he had received the aerial view from MECO, but of the flags they put out they've only hit about half of the area that marked. Harline said they wouldn't be getting to all of the flags but have marked the area.

E. Other

1. Design Standards Task Order with Engineering Surveys and Services

Harline said the original estimate was for review water, sewer, street, storm water standards with Boone County and the biggest one we can't just copy and paste is storm water. Our standards are significantly less, but the ideal would be to have rules that are consistent with Boone County for developers and standards on the construction of city streets. He said the cost is higher than he was hoping, the original was \$40,000, and they cut out some costs and which brought the cost down to \$36,000.

Bormann questioned if we could just have the summer intern work on it this summer. Harline said he didn't budget for a summer intern this year, but that might be a cheaper way to do this.

Hudson asked if this cost is in our budget or if it would be an addition. Harline said there is about 10,000 budgeted. Bormann asked if we could find a summer intern. Harline said he could not find one in 2 weeks. Bormann offered to work with someone.

Hudson said he has a hard time dropping \$30,000 on something like this. Harline said he would talk with them to see if there are any other options. Bormann said he would also do some checking. Harline said the intern needs to work for a city employee. Magley said the city doesn't need another intern, or another employee.

V. Water and Sewer Department

A. Activity Report

Grenke asked for comments and questions on the Activity Report.

Bormann questioned what kind of meetings Harline and Forsee had with the farmers. Forsee said Harline is going to talk about the land acquisition in a few minutes. Harline said it will be discussed during closed session.

B. Water

C. Sewer

Forsee said he is hoping to have some prices on the pump for Marty Bowne's irrigation system before they start irrigating.

D. Other

VI. Electric Department

A. Activity Report

Grenke asked for comments and questions on the Activity Report. There were no comments.

B. Generation/Purchase

C. Distribution

D. Other

1. Financing the Energy Savings project

Harline said the last decision would be to finance or pay cash for the energy savings project. He said he talked to Todd Goffay at the GFOA meeting and the total cost of the project for all city buildings is \$250,000. The additional cost for financing is about \$78,000 over 15 years, assuming an interest rate of 3.9%. He said the Electric Department will see the most benefit because we will be buying less electricity. With any of these projects, it makes sense to install it all up front to get as much benefit as possible. He said it has been paired down to be a project with the most payback and the repairs for City Hall have been taken out of the total, but the savings should equal about half of the cost of the repairs. If we do not achieve these savings, because we did an investment grade audit we would be eligible to get a check back from ESP. Hudson said he thought the savings estimate presented is a low estimate. Harline said that Todd Goffay thinks the City should pay cash, and not finance the project. Bormann said that some of that money comes back to that fund every year. Harline said that after talking to Goffay it would be a lot cleaner to pay for the project outright instead of financing it. Hudson agreed that if the City has the reserves then we should fund it ourselves.

Harline said that there will an ordinance on May 21st.

VII. OTHER

A. Closing 100 Block of South Rollins St. at 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23rd

Russell explained that May 20th – 26th was National Public Works week, and that we would like to have an event similar to “Touch a Truck” where kids could come and meet our Public Works and Public Utilities crews and see the equipment that they use. There will be some small promotional items for the crews to hand out.

Rodgers made a motion to allow the closing of the 100 block of South Rollins from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 23rd. Hudson seconded the motion. Hearing no objections, the motion passed.

B. Closed Meeting*

1. Land Acquisition
2. Hiring an Interim City Administrator

CLOSED SESSION:

Alderman Hudson 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: for leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor; such closed session and closed vote shall be for as provided for under Section 610.021 (2) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, and as provided for under Section 610.021(3) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of

particular employees by a public government body. Alderman Hudson asked that this motion be adopted by roll call vote. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bormann. The motion passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hudson, Magley, and Rodgers. Voting AGAINST: None.

The meeting went into closed session at 8:45 p.m.

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

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

Returned to open session at 9:40 p.m.

VII. AS MAY RISE.

Harline said he doesn't think there is any need for a special meeting but will probably need another closed session at the next meeting.

VIII. ADJOURN.

Hudson made a motion to adjourn the meeting that was seconded by Bormann and approved by unanimous voice vote.

The Committee adjourned at 9:43 p.m.