

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI

January 9, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.
Office of the City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

The Council of the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, met in regular meeting in the Council Chamber at City Hall, on Monday, January 9, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Falkner. Notice of said meeting had been established as every other Monday at 7:00 p.m. Further notice was provided by posting the regular meeting date and time in the City Clerk's office at City Hall, and by written notice (together with a tentative agenda) three days in advance in the City Clerk's office.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Councilmembers Boyer, Falkner, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr--9. Total membership--9. Five members constitute a quorum.

Also present were City Manager J. Bruce Woody, Asst. City Attorney Bryan Carter, Police Chief Chris Connally, Human Resources Director Diana Slater, Fire Chief Michael L. Dalsing, Parks, Recreation & Civic Facilities Director Bill R. McKinney, Asst. Health Director Kendra Bundy, Planning & Community Development/Interim Customer Assistance Director Clint Thompson, Public Works & Transportation Director Jody L. Carlson, Associate Director of Technology Services Mark Townsend, Sr. Property Maintenance Inspector Walter Hughes, Accounting Manager Tom Mahoney, Project Manager Chuck Kempf, Communications Manager Mary Robertson, Multi-media Coordinator Chris Clark, City Clerk Paula Heyde and Deputy City Clerk Rita K. Domini.

Under the Council voting rotation system, Councilmember Jones voted first.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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MINUTES:

38316 By general consent, the minutes of the regular meeting held December 27, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., were approved as transcribed in the office of the City Clerk.

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS:

None.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA:

38317 It was moved by Councilmember Myers and seconded by Councilmember Penland that the Agenda be accepted as published. Motion carried. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.

CONSENT AGENDA:

38318 It was moved by Councilmember Boyer and seconded by Councilmember Myers that Agenda Numbers 38319 through 38322 be passed by Consent Agenda. Motion carried. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.

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Number CONSENT AGENDA: (Cont'd)

Bills for Passage:

- 38319 (S.O. 8352) A Bill (#700-10) to amend the Public Health Department budget in the General Fund and enter into a contract with the Office of Homeland Security and Grants and Training in the amount of \$8,000.00 for Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) supplies and capacity building, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed.
- 38320 (S.O. 8353) A Bill (#701-10) accepting Permanent Drainage and Utility Easements and Temporary Construction Easements from three property owners for the Whitehead Conduit Separation Project, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed.
- 38321 (S.O. 8354) A Bill (#702-10) authorizing the rededication of utility easements at Rosecrans Memorial Airport for the installation of utilities across said property to support the re-location of the Air National Guard, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed.
- 38322 (S.O. 8355) A Bill (#706-10) entering into various agreements with Bartlett and Company Grain relating to the acquisition of real estate at 1005 Lower Lake Road and to accept a Permanent Sewer Easement and Quit Claim Deed for the total amount of \$15,900.00 for the Disinfection and Effluent Pump Station Project, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed.

***** END OF CONSENT AGENDA *****

BILLS FOR PASSAGE:

- 38323 (S.O. 8356) A Bill (#705-10) amending the Water Protection Fund budget and authorizing an agreement for professional design services with HDR Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$3,363,766.00 to design the Water Protection Facility Ammonia Removal Project, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.
- 38324 (S.O. 8357) A Bill (#707-10) authorizing the submission and execution of a Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 Urban Area Formula Funds Grant to provide transit operating assistance in the approximate amount of \$1,246,746.00, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.
- 38325 It was moved by Councilmember Boyer and seconded by Councilmember Roach that Bill #704-10 be amended before consideration for passage by attaching the “contract for Sale of Real Estate and Ground Lease to the ordinance. Motion carried. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.
- 38326 (S.O. 8358) A Bill (#704-10) authorizing \$100,000.00 as the city’s share in purchasing real estate from and subsequently leasing back to the St. Joseph Business Park Corporation land located in Eastowne Business Park upon which a “shell building” will be constructed, and authorizing the execution of a Contract for Sale of Real Estate and Ground Lease with the St. Joseph Business Park Corporation and Buchanan County, having been read the first time on December 27, 2011, was read the second time and passed. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.

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EMERGENCY BILLS FOR PASSAGE:

38327 (S.O. 8359) An Emergency Bill (#716-10) to amend the General Fund and Capital Projects Fund budgets both in the amount of \$64,947.00 and to authorize a contract with E. L. Crawford Construction for renovations to the Missouri Theater Budget Rose Shop in the amount of \$64,568.00, was introduced, read and passed. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.

RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION:

38328 (Resolution No. 38328 - 3294) A Resolution (#709-10) acknowledging and accepting the revised physical inventory owned by the City of St. Joseph, which consists of furniture, equipment, artifacts, and other items, at the Remington Nature Center of St. Joseph, was read and adopted. Ayes, Jones, Kovac, LaBass, Myers, Penland, Roach, Starr, Boyer, Falkner—9.

BILLS FOR FIRST READING:

38329 A Bill (#710-10) to amend the Public Health Department budget in the General Fund and enter into a contract with the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) both in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) supplies and capacity building, was introduced and read the first time.

38330 A Bill (#711-10) redistricting 6040 and 6044 Pryor Avenue from R-1B, Single Family Residential District to C-1, Neighborhood Shopping District as requested by Rupp Funeral Home, J. L. Robertson, agent, was introduced and read the first time.

38331 A Bill (#712-10) redistricting 2544 South 10th Street from M-2, Heavy Manufacturing District to R-1B, Single-Family Residential District, as requested by Anthony J. Nitti, was introduced and read the first time.

38332 A Bill (#713-10) repealing Division 21 of Article V of Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances entitled "Special Business District Board," was introduced and read the first time.

38333 A Bill (#714-10) vacating a portion of a 15-foot alley located between 6th Avenue and 7th Avenue, beginning at St. Joseph Avenue and going east approximately 111 feet, as requested by the City of St. Joseph, was introduced and read the first time.

38334 A Bill (#715-10) authorizing an Agreement for services with the County of Buchanan for the provision of City Communication Center Services for dispatch of county personnel for a one year term beginning January 1, 2012, was introduced and read the first time.

REPORTS OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

Filed 12/21/11: Minutes of the St. Joseph Public Library Board of Trustees meeting held December 19, 2011, at 5:20 p.m., at the Downtown Library, 927 Felix St.

Filed 12/21/11: Minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held December 15, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Filed 12/28/11: Minutes of the Community Police Advisory Committee meeting held December 6, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at the Rolling Hills Public Library, 1904 N. Belt Hwy.

Filed 12/28/11: Museum Oversight Board Quarterly Report.

REPORTS OF BOARDS & COMMISSIONS: (Cont'd)

Filed 1/4/12: Minutes of the Senior Citizens Foundation, Inc. Board meeting held November 8, 2011, at 3:02 p.m., at the Joyce Raye Patterson Senior Citizens Center, 100 South 10th St.

Filed 1/4/12: Minutes of the Landmark Commission meeting held December 6, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

Filed 1/4/12: Minutes of the Museum Oversight Board meeting held December 13, 2011, at 12:00 p.m., at 3406 Frederick Blvd.

COUNCIL WORK SESSIONS & COMMITTEE MEETINGS – CITY CLERK’S OFFICE:

Filed 12/22/11: Minutes of the Work Session held December 14, 2011, at 4:15 p.m., in the 4th Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

REPORTS & RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CITY MANAGER:

None.

DELEGATIONS, PETITIONS:

None.

COMMUNICATIONS:

Filed 12/21/11: Minutes of the Police Pension Board meeting held November 16, 2011, at 4:00 p.m., in the 1st Floor Conference Room at City Hall.

Filed 12/21/11: Memorandum from Clint Thompson, Planning and Community Development Director, in re: The Commons violation of current Sales Tax Reimbursement Agreement.

Filed 12/29/11: News article from the St. Joseph News Press entitled “Ames City Council saving money by using iPads.”

OTHER BUSINESS:

City Manager’s Report – City Manager J. Bruce Woody announced that city offices will be closed next Monday, January 16, 2012, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr Day.

Councilmember Jones announced the birth of her new great-grandbaby, Berkley Jo.

Councilmember Penland said city staff did a great job in getting the electronic agenda process set up; it’s above and beyond what he expected and hopes everybody adapts to it.

Councilmember Jones thanked city staff for the city calendar; it’s really a great thing.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Jim Haenni, President of International Association of Fire Fighters Local #77, wished the City Council a

happy new year and said he is looking forward to working with the Councilmembers. They are setting up some meetings and if anyone is interested in that, either the Council as a whole or individually, they would like to open the lines of communication back up with the City Council. The new board is very interested in working together. They had a meeting with the city manager today and it went very well. And they've been working with the Fire Chief much better than he thinks they ever have.

NOTES:

Agenda No. 38324 - Councilmember LaBass asked for a list of the routes and how many people ride them.

Agenda No. 38325-6 – Ted Allison, President/CEO of the St. Joseph Metro Chamber, 3003 Frederick Ave., said the purpose of constructing a “shell building” is to generate more prospects. Al J. Mueller Construction Co. was the successful bidder on the project. The investors in the project include the City, Buchanan County, Chamber of Commerce, St. Joseph New-Press, Heartland Health, Herzog Corp. and St. Joseph Industrial Foundation. The building will be 50,000 square feet.

Steve Hamilton, Sr. Vice-President of Economic Development, St. Joseph Metro Chamber, 3003 Frederick Ave., in response to a question about the fourth shell building at the Mitchell Woods Business Park, said it is currently being used by a number of organizations in town for storage and warehousing purposes. The current tenant still has a few years left in its lease so the current owners aren't pushing to find a new tenant for it.

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ADJOURNMENT:

38335 By general consent, the Council adjourned.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Paula Heyde, CMC, City Clerk