

**City Council Meeting
January 19, 2017
City Hall Meeting Room**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Winford Gilliam on January 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. Alderman Trospen, Alderman Moss and Alderwoman Kavanaugh answered roll call. Alderman Sweiven was absent. City Administrator Jean Van Iperen, City Attorney Robert Cowherd and City Clerk Debra Davis were present.

Alderwoman Kavanaugh made a motion to approve the agenda. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Vote: Sweiven – absent, Moss - aye and Trospen – aye, Kavanaugh – aye

Alderwoman Kavanaugh made a motion to approve the bills for December 2016 as presented. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Vote: Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent, Moss - aye and Trospen - aye.

Alderman Trospen made a motion to approve December 14, 2016 Council Meeting minutes. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Vote: Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent, Moss - aye and Trospen - aye.

Public Participation – Cindy Fickess with the Caldwell County News inquired about the summarized Financial Statements that have been submitted to the paper; she would like to see the detailed accounting. The City Clerk stated that the report is available for review at City Hall at any time and it would be put on the City Website as well. Steve Dahms was present to inquire about the citations he received for his property, wanted the Council to give him additional time over and above the six months the Zoning Board gave him to clean up his property. Mayor Gilliam advised him he would not go around the Zoning Board to approve an extension and the Council agreed with the Mayor. The water dispenser at the Water Treatment Plant is inoperable and there are no plans to repair it. Mr. Luther asked if the sewer rates went up January 1, 2017. The City Administrator confirmed that they had.

Police Department –Officer Allen was present and gave the report. (Doc 1)

Public Works Dept Report – City Administrator gave the report and added that the City has hired Issac Huffman to fill the vacant position. (Doc 2)

People Service Report – City Administrator presented the monthly report. (Doc 3)

City Administrators Report –

- a. TAP Grant – Was awarded to the City. Preliminary plan is to redo the sidewalk on the block where Blue Sage is and make it ADA compliant. Traffic calming devices are planned as well for several intersections to make them safer. Tim Leader inquired about a new sidewalk on the block where Hank & Tanks is, it is in terrible condition. City Administrator will have to look for additional grant money for that area.
- b. City Filing Update – The opportunity to file for an elected position closes on January 17, 2017.
- c. Back Taxes – Since July 2016, 33,387.67 has been collected. The City filed suit to collect back taxes and those individuals will appear in court in February.
- d. Smoke Testing – Will be done on Tuesday, January 24, 2017; weather permitting.

Conditional Use Permit – Anastasia & Ben Dawson appeared to ask approval of a second retreat home at Prairie and McGaughey. Alderman Trospen made a motion to approve the conditional use permit for

the second home. Alderwoman Kavanaugh seconded the motion. Vote: Trospen – aye, Kavanaugh – aye, Moss – aye, Sweiven – absent. (Doc4)

Mayor Gilliam presented Resolution No. 2017-1 – A Resolution Of The City Council Of The City Of Hamilton, Missouri, To Approve Final Acceptance Of The Emergency Connection To Daviess County PWS No. 2 – Contract No. 2: Water Distribution System Improvements Project Performed By Great Plains Contractors LLC And To Authorize The Mayor To Sign The Project Engineer’s Certificate Of Approval. Alderman Moss made a motion to approve Resolution No. R-2016-3. Alderman Trospen seconded the motion. Vote: Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent, Moss – aye and Trospen – aye.

Budget Review – Six Month Report given by City Administrator Jean Van Iperen

Revisit Landlord discussion of Missouri State Statute 250.140 “Services deemed furnished both to occupant and owner of premises – delinquency. The \$21,000 in bad debt is from landlord properties with \$8,000 from other land owners. Tim Leader spoke, asking how many years back that goes. He was advised it is 10 years of bad debt as the City Clerk wrote off \$38,000 of older debt in 2016. The City needs to find out the statute of limitation and the possibility of a “float” deposit for Landlords. Alderman Trospen made a motion review this matter again at the July Council Meeting. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Vote: Moss – aye, Trospen – aye, Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent.

Acceptance of the Annual Audit - Alderman Trospen made a motion to accept the Annual Audit as presented. Alderman Moss seconded the motion. Vote: Moss – aye, Trospen – aye, Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent. (Doc 5)

Mayor Gilliam presented Bill Number 0119171/Ordinance Number 1626 – An Ordinance Approving The City’s Membership In The Little Otter Creek Wholesale Water Commission, A Joint Utility Commission Organized Under Chapter 393 RSMO., Fixing A Date To Require Review Of Such Membership, And Authorizing The Mayor To Execute The Joint Utility Commission Contract. Alderman Trospen read Bill Number 0119171/Ordinance Number 1626 for the first time. Alderwoman Kavanaugh read Bill Number 0119171/Ordinance Number 1626 for the second time. Alderman Moss made a motion to approve the Bill Number 0119171/Ordinance Number 1626. Alderman Trospen seconded the motion. Vote: Kavanaugh – aye, Sweiven – absent, Moss – aye and Trospen – aye.

Alderman Trospen made a motion to go into closed session at 6:45p.m. Alderman Moss seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote: Kavanaugh – aye
Moss – aye
Trospen – aye
Sweiven – absent**

**Debra Davis
City Clerk**