

FINAL
Special Meeting

April 18, 2016

Board of Aldermen opened Special Session at 6PM on Monday, April 18, 2016. Mayor Lisa Daugherty called meeting to order.

Roll Call: Present were Aldermen Gary Heilbrun, Barbara Welch, Chris Ellsworth, Roger Bone and Mayor Lisa Daugherty. Absent: none. Also present were City Attorney Mike Talley, Assistant to Board of Aldermen David Weaver and 15 guests.

Agenda: Barbara Welch requested Appoint City Treasurer be added after Elect Board President and Public Comments be added after Bonding for New Employees. Motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Gary Heilbrun, to approve modified agenda. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Minutes: March 14 Regular Meeting minutes were presented. Motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Gary Heilbrun, to approve minutes as presented. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

March 23 Special Meeting with Closed Session and April 6 Special Meeting with Closed Session minutes: Closed Session minutes for April 6 Special Meeting were approved April 11. March 23 Special minutes and April 6 Special Meeting – Open Session minutes were not available. Motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Roger Bone, to table remaining minutes until available. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Financial Report & Budget for March: Reports were presented based on data from previous City Clerk Gina Taylor and Assistant City Clerk Stephanie Ayres. Reports were accepted and filed for audit.

Bill Summary: March outstanding bills for \$12,570.64 General Funds; \$10,907.73 Municipal Court; and \$70.77 Sewer bills were presented. City Clerk asked Board if Insite Transaction Fees for Court was to be paid by Municipal Court account, as presented; or by General Funds since both accounts had been used to pay previous invoices. Board said to pay invoice with Municipal Court account. Motion made by Roger Bone, seconded by Barbara Welch, to approve summary and pay bills as presented. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Business License Renewal: Four businesses were already approved at April 11 meeting. Motion made by Roger Bone, seconded by Barbara Welch, to strike item from agenda. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Approve Certified Election Results: Mayor read certified results. Ward I – One Year Term: Chris Ellsworth; Ward I – Two-Year Term: Barbara Welch; and Ward II – Two-Year Term: Gary Heilbrun were declared winners. Motion made by Roger Bone, seconded by Barbara Welch, to approve certified results. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Si-ne-di (Old Board Steps Down): Not necessary since incumbents were re-elected.

Administer Oaths of Office: City Clerk administered oaths.

Elect Board President: Barbara Welch nominated Gary Heilbrun for President. As there were no other nominations, motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to elect Gary

Heilbrun to position. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Appoint City Treasurer: Mayor Lisa Daugherty recommended City Clerk Terry Ingram be appointed as City Treasurer. Motion made by Gary Heilbrun, seconded by Barbara Welch, to accept recommendation and appoint Ms. Ingram as City Treasurer. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Designate Signers on Checking Accounts: Barbara Welch said she would ask Andy Marmouget, KPM auditor, to attend May 9 meeting to discuss recommended accounting practices of elected officials in regards to checking accounts. Current Corporate Resolution on file with Southwest Missouri Bank was distributed to Board. Motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to table new resolution to May's meeting. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Bonding New Employees and Elected Officials: If not currently bonded, Mayor Lisa Daugherty needed to be bonded, as well as Gary Heilbrun (Acting President of Board), Terry Ingram (City Clerk) and Janet Stemm (Court Clerk).

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Rick Gamboa, 4005 E 20th St, Joplin MO

He asked if City would contact school about granting City access to 3 storm shelters on its campus. Mayor Daugherty replied she had asked for volunteers to act as key holders last year, but no one volunteered. He asked about any recourse City had for collection of unpaid sewer bills. He said most unpaid bills seemed to be from residents on well; and, therefore, water could not be disconnected for lack of payment. Duquesne had opted not to hold tenant and landowner equally liable for unpaid bills. According to reports supplied by Joplin, there was approximately \$22,000 in outstanding sewer bills and Joplin had no means to collect sewer only bills (well users).

He also commented on Mayor Daugherty's press release to KOAM, which stated City had received three commendations from KPM auditing firm. He added, there were 6 recommendations. Was City making changes based on those recommendations? Mayor Daugherty stated she planned on meeting with City Clerk, but Ms. Ingram had just started.

Because Mayor Daugherty was not present at April 11 meeting, he reread statement that outlined his reasons to urge Mayor Daugherty to resign.

Bill Sherman, 825 S Duquesne Rd, Joplin MO

Since Board did not have April 6 Special Meeting minutes for open session, he summarized its content, as follows: After Board returned to open session, Mayor asked for motion to adjourn. Gary Heilbrun made motion to reinstate Terry Ingram as City Clerk. Motion was seconded by Barbara Welch. Motion carried with 3 to 1 vote with Gary, Barbara and Chris in favor and Roger Bone against. Meeting adjourned after motion carried.

George Reeve, 4460 E 26th St, Joplin MO

He asked about road repair project. Mayor Daugherty stated, when project begins, construction would be Monday through Thursday. Mr. Reeve asked about gravel and pipe on City property south of City Hall. Mayor said construction company was using site for materials storage for road project.

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As there was no further business, motion made by Barbara Welch, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to adjourn. Ayes: Aldermen Heilbrun, Welch, Ellsworth and Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 10 PM.

Terry Ingram
City Clerk