

FINAL  
Regular Meeting

December 11, 2017

City Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 PM on Monday, December 11, 2017. Mayor Gary Heilbrun called meeting to order. David Weaver gave invocation.

Roll call was taken. Present were Aldermen Jane Baine, Barbara Welch, Adam Hogan, Chris Ellsworth, and Mayor Gary Heilbrun. Absent: None. Also present were City Attorney Mike Talley, David Weaver and approximately 7 guests.

**Agenda:** Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Adam Hogan, to approve agenda as amended. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing:** Rezoning Application Lot #2 Nola Street from R-1 to R-2

Opened at 7:03pm

Alderman Ellsworth stated the Planning and Zoning Commission did not take action because the request was invalid. Lot size did not have enough square footage for R-2.

Public Comments: none

Recess was taken from 7:05pm to 7:07pm

Public Hearing closed at 7:07pm

**Minutes:** November 13 Regular Meeting: Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Jane Baine, to approve minutes as presented. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Financial Report and Budget Summary:** Approved and filed for audit.

**Bill Summary:** Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Adam Hogan, to pay bills as presented. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Court:** November Court Report was presented. Board approved report and filed for audit.

**PD Monthly Report:** Chief Kitch presented.

**Business License Renewals:** Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Jane Baine, to approve the Business License renewals received to date. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Joplin Humane Society Contract:** City Attorney, Mike Talley, shared that Carl Junction received and executed the same contract. No further concerns expressed by the Aldermen.

**Bill 17-31** An Ordinance Approving Contract with Joplin Humane Society. Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to read Bill 17-31 by title only.

Bill 17-31 was read by title only. Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Adam Hogan, to accept first reading of Bill 17-31 and move to second and final reading by title only.

Bill 17-31 was read second and final time by title only. Motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to approve second and final reading of Bill 17-31 and adopt as Ordinance 350. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

**Old Business:** *CDBG Housing Project Update – David Weaver stated 5 homes are in process, and the last two breaking ground in 4-6 weeks. Estimated completion late May.*

Update on City Matters: City Clerk, Brandi Miller, read an excerpt from the Missouri Municipal League newsletter. The Missouri Department of Revenue has had some issues with their new software and many cities are reporting lower than usual sales tax revenues. She provided a copy of the tax deposits so far this fiscal year. December was higher than usual.

**Aldermen Interaction:** Alderman Baine stated the City of Joplin is refinancing their sewer bonds. She wanted to know if the bills will go down. David Weaver stated there will likely be a small change. They will be doing a rate study soon.

**Public Comment:** Val Carter, 4101 E. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, discussed potential changes to R-2 and R-3 minimum square footage.

Rick Gamboa, 4005 E. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, asked about ABC Supply billing and building permit documentation on the city website. He additionally asked about solicitors.

**New Business:** MS4 Audit – Brandi Miller stated the City was audited by the DNR last week for compliance with our Stormwater Management Plan. She and the Mayor met with Chris Ray. We will be receive a report in about three weeks with the results and recommendations. The City has been out of compliance since 2013, but is in better shape than many other cities. We have reached out to the DNR for assistance.

Appoint Auditor – Motion made by Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Adam Hogan, to maintain the Mense firm as auditor. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan, Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Commission Appointment – Mayor Heilbrun appointed Val Carter to continue his term for 4 years on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion made by

Chris Ellsworth, seconded by Jane Baine, to approve appointment. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Update on Commissions and Committees – Alderman Ellsworth stated the next P&Z meeting is scheduled for January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

**Other Business Deemed Necessary:** Brandi Miller stated emailed update on General Code project to Alderman. They have not yet mailed the Manuscript.

As there was no further business, motion made by Jane Baine, seconded by Chris Ellsworth, to adjourn. Ayes: Aldermen Baine, Welch, Hogan and Ellsworth. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 8:06 PM, meeting adjourned.