

City Council for City of Duquesne met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, January 13, 2014, at City Hall.

Mayor Denny White called meeting to order. David Weaver gave invocation.

Roll call was taken. Mayor Denny White, Aldermen Dale Daniels, Frank Herron, Lisa Daugherty, Roger Bone were present. Absent: none. City Attorney Mike Talley, Police Chief Kitch and 12 visitors were also present.

Agenda: Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to approve agenda. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Minutes from December 17 Regular and January 8 & 9 Special Meetings were presented. Motion made by Roger Bone, seconded by Lisa Daugherty, to amend January 9 minutes to say two companies were not given enough time to make informed bid. Ayes: Aldermen Daugherty, Bone. Nays: Aldermen Daniels, Herron. Mayor broke tie and voted nay. All minutes stood as presented.

Financial report for December was presented. As there were no changes or corrections, report was approved and filed for audit.

Court report for December was presented. As there were no changes or corrections, report was approved.

Duquesne Elementary School at 13th & Duquesne: School closed in December. Mayor has meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 15, at 9:00 AM, with Paul Barr, CFO for Joplin R-8, to discuss future use of property. Mayor invited Janiel Bryan, who had addressed Board March, 2013, with her vision for use of building once vacated to attend meeting with him.

Amended Bill 13-18 Sewer Rate for 2014 per Joplin Rate Increase: Motion made by Roger Bone, seconded by Dale Daniels, to read Amended Bill 13-18 by title only. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Amended Bill 13-18 was read by title only. City Attorney Mike Talley explained bill was amended to reflect all rate changes by Joplin. In 2010, Board was advised by Joplin about 5-year rates from 2010 through 2014 with incremental increases each year. City of Joplin has started new 5-year study. Per Duquesne – Joplin Sewer Agreement, Joplin must give City 30-day notice by certified mail with opportunity to appear at Joplin meeting 60 days prior to passage of new 5-year schedule.

Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to approve first reading by title only of Amended Bill 13-18 and move to second and final reading of Amended Bill

13-18 by title only. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Bone. Nays: none. Abstain: Alderman Daugherty. Motion carried.

Amended Bill 13-18 was read second and final time by title only. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to accept second and final reading of Amended Bill 13-18 by title only and adopt as Ordinance 229. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Bone. Nays: none. Abstain: Alderman Daugherty. Motion carried.

Business License: Ambassador Stone Reflections (tabled from December meeting): Although Cardinal Pallets has not submitted its renewal application yet, Ambassador Stone Reflections is separate entity. Motion made by Lisa Daugherty, seconded by Frank Herron, to approve. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Business License Renewal Summary: Twenty-six renewals were presented. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Lisa Daugherty, to approve renewal summary. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Public Comments: George Reeve, 3460 E 26th Street, updated Board on information he obtained about possible pollution issues for Precision Bullets (home-based business Board approved in December). According to Canadian expert he spoke with, there was no danger of vapor or other lead contamination.

Old Business: David Weaver gave update. Soaring Heights Elementary, which combines Duquesne and Duenweg schools, and Joplin Middle School opened without incident or traffic problem. He submitted approximately 1700 names and addresses to Sue Bacone for CDBG survey for road funds. CDBG Community Disaster Loan Program has 3 new construction projects currently with 2 about to be completed. Board will need to decide what to do with sewer funding and possible line extension(s).

Lisa requested at least 1 month to discuss any sewer extension before project is presented for consideration.

New Business: Police Department Monthly Report: Only one minor incident where officer received minor injury during foot pursuit and was placed on light duty for one week but has fully recovered. Yearend status was included in written report.

Consider Earlier Meeting Time: Board declined.

Bill Summary: December outstanding bills of \$12,498.31 and Sewer \$248.72 were presented. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to pay outstanding bills. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried. Board was advised that Stronghold Data currently backs up City's financial data, Court records and other key documents for \$900 per year.

Health Insurance Renewal: Information received late and was not included in Board packet. Current contract expires February 1st. Board has looked at other options and companies in past years. Board had always voted to keep current coverage as excellent employee benefit. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to approve renewal and keep current coverage. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron. Nays: Alderman Daugherty. Abstain: Alderman Bone. Mayor broke tie and voted ayes. Motion carried.

Other Business: House located on recently purchased property at 1505 and 1505 ½ S Duquesne Road was inspected for possible future usage by City. It was determined cost to update wiring and structure was too expensive. Mayor asked Board's approval to solicit bids for sale and removal of house. Motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to solicit bids for sale and removal of house. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Bone. Nays: none. Abstain: Alderman Daugherty. Motion carried.

Lisa asked about snow removal for side streets and how many miles of roads were in Duquesne. Lisa spoke with Cary Lee (Joplin Special Road District) who said next time District will review cinder road list is May; City representative would need to attend April's meeting to be considered. After last snow, Mayor stated he and Chief Kitch had driven roads to determine need and they were satisfied it was not necessary. Joplin quit clearing side streets because of vehicles parked on street and citizen complaints about mounds of snow pushed in front of driveways. Mayor had obtained quote to clear all streets for \$1,100. Police Chief stated he would obtain answer to number of miles of roads for next month's meeting.

As there was no further business, motion made by Dale Daniels, seconded by Frank Herron, to adjourn meeting. Ayes: Aldermen Daniels, Herron, Daugherty, Bone. Nays: none. Motion carried. At 8:00 p.m. meeting adjourned.

Terry Ingram, City Clerk