# **Regular Session**

# **July 25, 2016**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for July 25, 2016 for the City of Stockton, Missouri was posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on July 22, 2016.

### Call regular session to order/Roll call

Mayor Norell called the regular session meeting to order at 4:28 p.m. and the City Clerk took roll call. Council members present were Larry Koch, Mary Anne Manring, Barbara Pate and Gary Johnson. It was determined a quorum was present. Attending City Staff were Peter Lee, City Attorney, Vanessa Harper, City Clerk and Raymond Heryford, City Superintendent as well as Building Inspector/Code Enforcer, John Wilson.

**Invocation**

Invocation was given by Stockton Chamber of Commerce Director Kelly Bass.

**Visitors**

-Elizabeth VanWinkle spoke in the place of Cassie Sanders with Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission and invited anyone interested in learning more about what type of services Kaysinger offers to attend “Coffee with Kaysinger” August 31st at the City Hall Civic Center in El Dorado.

-Per Chamber Director Kelly Bass’s request Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to close Walnut Street between North Street and Ward from 8:00 a.m. till needed on Saturday August 13th for the annual car show and burn out contest to be held in the park. Unanimously approved.

-Rick and Linda Leahy asked Council to consider selling the City property located behind their home on North Street. Deputy Finance Officer Dana Dawes recalled the property had been originally purchased by the City in order to provide additional parking during the Walnut Festival. Pate suggested the Park board be consulted before pursuing the issue any further.

**Minutes**

Motion made by Pate, seconded by Koch, carried; to approve minutes as read. Unanimously approved.

## Bills

Motion made by Johnson, seconded by Manring, carried; to approve and pay bills as presented. Unanimously approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- Lee was not able to report to Council whether or not their motion taken at the previous meeting to abolish the $8.00 fee for those City maintained step systems and relinquish any responsibility was within the City’s legal rights. After a lengthy discussion in regards to Country Oaks Estate residents paying full sewer and still maintaining their step systems, Mayor Norell asked Council to decide whether to adjust rates, reimburse residents for having their system pumped or leaving things as is. Koch motioned, Johnson seconded, carried; to leave sewer rates as is for everyone. Unanimously approved. The general consensus was because the City removed 95 to 98% of the sewer from those Country Oak Estate residents it was reasonable to charge the full sewer rate.

-After reviewing her plan to refurbish the City square, Mayor Norell asked Council’s approval to budget in cost of sprucing up the square in next fiscal year’s budget. Manring motioned, Pate seconded, carried; to budget sprucing up the City square not including Christmas banners in the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Unanimously approved.

-Council members recruited Firework committee members as follows:

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Johnson-Charlie Daniels; Pate-Rob Fisher; Manring-John Wilson Jr.; Koch-Cheryl Cully; Heryford strongly recommended going out for bids next year for the fireworks display.

**SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

- Bill number 16-500 to be Ordinance 500 an ordinance adopting and confirming the codification of the personnel manual of the City of Stockton was read for the first time. Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to accept the first reading of Bill No. 16-500 to be Ordinance 500. Approved with the following votes: Johnson, Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

- Bill number 16-500 to be Ordinance 500 an ordinance adopting and confirming the codification of the personnel manual of the City of Stockton was read for the second and final time. Johnson motioned, seconded by Koch, carried; to accept the second and final reading of Bill No. 16-500 to be Ordinance 500. Approved with the following votes: Johnson, Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

-Bill number 16-501 to be Ordinance 501 was tabled after reviewing allowing Lee to amend verbiage to reflect the Council’s intent which is to collect the full purchase price of a cemetery plot at the time of purchase as opposed to allowing for payments.

- Bill number 16-502 to be Ordinance 502 an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute documents pertaining to the Stockton pavement maintenance design for the City airport was read for the first time. Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to accept the first reading of Bill No. 16-502 to be Ordinance 502. Approved with the following votes: Johnson, Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

-Bill number 16-502 to be Ordinance 502 an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute documents pertaining to the Stockton pavement maintenance design for the City airport was read for the second and final time. Pate motioned, seconded by Koch, carried; to accept the first reading of Bill No. 16-502 to be Ordinance 502. Approved with the following votes: Johnson, Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. None: Absent

**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: Nothing for open or closed.

Public works: Personnel for closed.

Building Inspector: Reported due to the extreme heat and the City’s on inability to get caught up on their mowing he had held off on sending out complaint notices. Wilson also requested Council consider increasing rates for mowing resident’s grass who failed to do so after being notified of their Section 220.120 and 220.150 violations. Pate asked Wilson to find out what other cities our size where charging for comparable work and report back at the next meeting.

City Clerk: Harper reported the City had received official notification their Assistance to Fire Fighter Grant application had been approved for $19,800.00. Harper reported the “special event” liability policy purchased for the fireworks on the dam was required by the City’s current carrier EMC and that Aaron Mayfield with A.M. Pyrotechnics had not responded to her email requesting to know whether or not he planned on paying the technicians for discharging this year’s display. Harper turned the floor over to Dave Steinmueller who on behalf of a small local group of soccer players requested the use of Farmer’s Field for a fundraiser soccer camp to be held on July 30th. Steinmueller informed Council he had put together a waiver form for participates to sign to relieving the City of any liability. Lee asked Council to refrain from deciding until he could give legal advice in closed. Cedar County Republican’s Mary Morris questioned Lee’s decision to go into legal closed session regarding a soccer camp waiver form however Council agreed to wait until after they could be legally advised to make a final decision.

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**Reports from Appointed Boards**

Cemetery: Not present

Park Board: Rob Fisher reported the Park board would be meeting soon.

Airport: Not present. Harper reported the City’s South hanger was now rented.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS**

Mayor Norell:

-Pate motioned, Manring seconded carried; to allow Amvets to sell their White Clovers on Friday September 23rd, the Friday of the Walnut Festival. Unanimously approved.

-Mayor Norell reviewed her Action Plan for the upcoming year including following through with previous Vision Teams ideas to bring together the City and the Lake. One idea was to incorporate an amphitheatre near the Expo center. Council’s agreed it was time to move forward with these plans.

-Norell went on to express her disappointment with Windstream and their unwillingness to sell us the City’s current phone system at a discounted amount. She reported Windstream had quoted her around $7,400.00 for a new system compared to other quotes of $3,200.00. Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; approving including in next fiscal’s budget funds for purchasing a new phone system. Unanimously approved.

Pate: Nothing for open or closed.

Johnson: Nothing for open or closed

Manring: Asked the Council’s meeting times could be changed back to 6:00 temporarily for the August and September to accommodate her golf coaching schedule. Pate motioned, Johnson seconded, carried; to start Council meetings at 6:00 during the months of August and September and go back to 4:30 in October. Unanimously approved.

Koch: Nothing for open or closed.

**Comments from the Public:**

No additional comments.

**Convene into Close:**

Pate motioned, seconded by Johnson, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:46 pm and go into closed session. Approved with the following votes: Johnson, Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

**Reconvene Regular Session**

Pate motioned, Manring seconded, carried; to go back into regular session at 6:55 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch, Pate and Johnson: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

-Council voted to give Jeremy Rogers a .50/hr increase period.

-After reconvening into open session, Pate motioned, Johnson seconded, carried; to allow the soccer camp fundraiser on Farmer’s Field on July 30th with each participate signing a waiver releasing the City of any liability. Unanimously approved.

**Adjourn Regular Session**

Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:57 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch, Pate and Johnson: Yes. None: No. None: Absent

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**

**Closed Session**

# **July 25, 2016**

The Stockton Board of Aldermen met in closed session on July 25, 2016 at 6:49 p.m. for the purpose of legal.

Attending this portion of the meeting was Mayor Mary Norell, council members Larry Koch, Mary Anne Manring, Gary Johnson and Barbara Pate. Also in attendance were City Clerk, Vanessa Harper, Building Inspector, John Wilson and City Superintendent, Raymond Heryford along with City Attorney, Peter Lee.

**Legal:** Lee advised Council on the legalities and effectiveness of a liability waiver.

**Personnel:**  Pate motioned, Manring seconded, carried; to give Jeremy Rogers a .50/hr raise taking him from $8.50 to $9.00/hour . Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch, Manring and Pate: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

**Real Estate**: No discussion.

**Adjourn Close Session Back into Open Session:**

Motion from Pate, Manring seconded, carried; to adjourn closed session and go back into open at

6:55 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch, Pate and Johnson: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**