# **Regular Session**

# **November 4, 2019**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for November 4, 2019 for the City of Stockton, Missouri was originally posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on October 31, 2019.

### Call regular session to order/Roll call

Mayor Norell called the regular session meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and the City Clerk took roll call. Council members present were Mark Frieze, Barbara Pate, MaryAnne Manring and Larry Koch. It was determined a quorum was present. Attending staff were City Clerk, Vanessa Harper and Building Inspector/Code Enforcer, John Wilson along with City Attorney, Peter Lee and City Superintendent, Raymond Heryford.

**Pledge and Invocation**

After attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance, invocation was given by alderperson Barbara Pate.

**Agenda Modified and Approved:**

Manring motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried; to approve the agenda set for the November 4, 2019 City Council meeting. Unanimously approved.

**Mayor and Council Appointments:**

Pate motioned, Manring seconded, carried; to approve Mayor Norell’s request to re-appoint Dana Dawes as Deputy City Clerk for the 2019-20 fiscal year. Unanimously approved.

Koch motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried; to approve Mayor Norell’s request to re-appoint Raymond Heryford as the City of Stockton City Superintendent for the 2019-20. Unanimously approved.

Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to approve Mayor Norell’s request to re-appoint the airport board with the following members for the 2019-20 fiscal year; Bill Seitz, Bruce Yarnell, Joe Hughes, Michael Saathoff and Pepper Burns. Unanimously approved.

Koch motioned, Pate seconded, carried; to approve for the 2019-20 fiscal year Mayor’s Norell’s recommendation for the cemetery board as follows; Marsha Cowan, Peggy Dawes and Larry Johnston. Unanimously approved.

Koch motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried; to approve the re-appointment of Vanessa Harper as City Treasurer, City Collector and City Finance Officer for the 2019-20. Unanimously approved.

Manring motioned, Frieze seconded, carried; to approve Mayor Norell’s re-appointment of Teresa Burns, Maggie Bough, Lynn Erickson, Beth Cumins, Janet Beavers, Marilyn Ellis and Becky Groff to the park board for the 2019-20 fiscal year. Unanimously approved.

Motion made by Manring, seconded by Pate, carried; to re-appoint Vanessa Harper as the 2019-20 City Clerk. Unanimously approved.

**Visitors:**

Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to approve and to maintain the new easements created by extending the newly constructed nursing home’s driveway east directly to highway 39 per Kevin Costello’s petition on behalf of Citizens Memorial Healthcare. Unanimously approved.

**Minutes:**

Motion made by Pate, seconded by Koch, carried; to approve the minutes as read for the previous regular Council meeting on October 23, 2019. Unanimously approved.

## Bills:

Pate asked for clarification on a large check for MCHCP which Harper explained was the monthly premium for the employee healthcare benefits. Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to approve and pay bills as presented. Unanimously approved.

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**Comments from the Public:**

None.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None presented.

# **Reports from Appointed Boards**

Park: Absent. Mayor Norell reminded Council of the upcoming auction and chili supper on Friday, November 8 starting at 4:30 p.m. to raise funds for the Veteran’s Memorial. The event will be held in the community building.

Cemetery: Absent. Mayor Norell reported Heryford had removed the flagpole in the cemetery in preparation for installation of the new flagpole donated by a local resident.

Airport: Absent.

Sheriff Department Liaison: Sheriff McCrary presented the Cedar County Commissioner’s 2020 contract counteroffer along with a breakdown of how they arrived at the amount. McCrary noted the County Clerk rather than his deputy would prepare the quarterly financial breakdown of cost resulting from providing police services to the City. McCrary contested it would cost the City over $300,000.00 to offer police protection therefore the City was receiving a good deal. Manring reiterated the City’s concern of getting a better understanding of the contract and services provided in order to ensure taxpayer’s money was being spent appropriately. Mayor Norell recommended later in the meeting, Harper and herself sit down with the sheriff and review his numbers in order to establish a consistent cost determinant to base contract fees.

# **SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

Manring motioned, seconded by Koch, carried; to approve the seven (7) liquor license applicants for the 2020 calendar year consisting of: Woods Supermarket, Casey’s General Store, Hot Spot, Woody’s Fast Stop, Stockton Lake Elk’s Lodge, Stockton Recreation and Dollar General Store. Unanimously approved.

Mayor Norell reported a new truck for the water department had been ordered at a total cost of $22,121.00 which had come in under a budgeted $25,000.00.

After learning the price originally quoted to the City for adding a light pole on the corner of Blake and Dunlap had been understated by an annual amount of $173.16, Harper posed the question again to Council to add a pole and light at the intersection of Blake and Dunlap. Manring concerned for citizens safety, motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to move forward with installing a light and pole at the corner of Dunlap and Blake for a monthly cost of $33.49 and an annual cost of $401.88. Unanimously approved.

**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: After reviewing McCrary’s police contract, Lee thought the contract was reasonable however suggested the City establish a consistent factor for determining future contract fees. Nothing for closed.

Public Works Supervisor: Nothing for open or closed.

City Clerk: In response to an office staff request, Koch motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried; to request Gerald Sullivan, a disgruntled water customer, be sent a letter requesting he transact his City business either through the drive through/night drop or the postal service. Unanimously approved. Nothing for closed.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcer: Wilson confirmed CMH (Citizen’s Memorial Hospital) would be required to follow and pay all City building codes and permits (no vote taken). Wilson reported he was still waiting to hear from the mortgage holder on the 603 North Street before continuing with condemnation procedures. Mayor Norell recommended moving forward with process (no vote taken). Nothing for closed.

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**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS:**

**Pate:** Recommended preapproving fireworks for next year’s home football games in order to avoid confusion and promote school spirit in the community. Pate with work with the Quarter Back Club to gather the required information for preapproval. Nothing for closed.

**Manring:**  Nothing for open or closed.

**Koch:** Had complaints about the fireworks a few weeks ago; expressed concerns over 911 dispatching issues regarding CMH as well as a recent car accident; relayed 911 dispatching was not always able to find the caller’s exact location depending on the type of cell phone; asked if anything had been resolved on the water loss and solar issues.

Heryford explained he was planning to fix the South Street leak soon which should help some with the water loss percentage. Mayor Norell and Harper had no explanation why the PV panels’ savings was less than expected. Nothing for closed.

**Frieze:** Nothing for open or closed.

**MAYOR –COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Mayor Norell**:

Nothing for open or closed.

**Adjourn Regular Session**

Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:18 p.m.

Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch, Pate and Frieze: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**