# **Regular Session**

# **December 12, 2016**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for December 12, 2016 for the City of Stockton,

# Missouri was originally posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on December 9, 2016.

### Call regular session to order/Roll call

Mayor Norell called the regular session meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. and the City Clerk took roll call. Council members present were Mary Anne Manring, Barbara Pate and Larry Koch. Gary Johnson was absent. It was determined a quorum was present. Attending City Staff were Vanessa Harper, City Clerk, John Wilson, Building Inspector/Code Enforcer and Raymond Heryford, the City Superintendent. Student Representative Victor Arellano was also present.

**Invocation**

-Invocation was given by alderperson Barbara Pate.

**Visitors**

-No visitors.

**Minutes**

Motion made by Pate, seconded by Manring, carried; to approve minutes with corrections. Unanimously approved.

## Bills

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

**OLD BUSINESS**

-No old business.

**SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

-Mayor Norell reported to Council Stockton was the only location in Missouri scheduled to host “The Wall that Heals” in 2017 and donations along with volunteers for the event were coming in. Pate suggested advertising in the Springfield and Kansas City newspapers. Manring motioned, Pate seconded, carried; to re-appropriate $500.00 from the originally budgeted “square beautification” line item to the “The Wall that Heals” line item. Unanimously approved. After Council reviewed the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund, Inc. contract with Lee, Manring motioned, Pate seconded, carried, to pay one half or $3,750.00 of the $7500.00 contracted amount on December 23, 2016 when the contract was due and also to approve Mayor Norell signing the contract on behalf of the City. Unanimously approved. Council concurred that if the City does not receive enough donations to cover the $3,750.00 by the 23rd, the City could make up the difference and any donations coming in after would pay back the City for any amount paid over the approved $500.00.

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**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: Lee reported municipal fines imposed were up substantially and mentioned he had spoke with the Sheriff about the Sheriff’s department liaison not attending Council meetings as required by the Contract.

Public works: Regarding the woodstove installation at the City maintenance barn Koch motioned, Pate seconded, carried; to purchase stovepipe and a carport to go over the wood stove with a limit of $2000.00. Unanimously approved.

City Clerk: Pate motioned, Koch seconded, carried; to sell a used, no longer needed vacuum to Dana Dawes for $20.00. Unanimously approved.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcer: Lee recommended an ordinance requiring new construction, re-models or a re-construction of a sewer system to have a back-flow prevention value. Per Wilson’s request for clarification, Lee explained property owners constructing a building themselves on their own property do not have to have a contractor’s license however anyone working for said property owner would have to have a license. Wilson reported the City had scored poorly on its recent ISO evaluation despite his own exceptional record keeping. Wilson suggested Council consider updating building codes from the current 2000 version to the most recent 2018. Wilson explained upgrading to the 2018 version could reduce insurance rates for Stockton residents however the stricter codes could inhibit new construction not to mention additional cost to the City for training and codebooks. Nevertheless Wilson had found less costly training alternatives for Council to consider. Council felt training was very important.

Sheriff Department Liaison: Absent.

**Reports from Appointed Boards**

Cemetery: Marsha Cowan with the Cemetery board reported the Cemetery looked very nice due to the latest mowing; Cowan requested three trash receptacles be placed in the cemetery and also inquired what steps were necessary to create a cremation burial area in the cemetery. Heryford will follow up on trash receptacles and will get with Chad Pyle on establishing plots. Deputy City Clerk recommended establishing a cost of each cremation burial plot.

Park Board: Not present. Mayor Norell pointed out in the Park Board minutes they would like additional lightning on Walnut Street for the park.

Airport: Not present. Mayor Norell reviewed the highlights from the Airport Agenda which included a request for a larger fuel tank.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS:**

**Mayor Norell**: Spoke about the EEZ benefits to potential investors in this area and how broadening the scope of eligible investors to include retailers and restaurants would also be positive.

**Pate:** Asked who was hauling water from City maintenance building after hours which Heryford explained was Wanda Cassel as well as reported a tree needed to be trimmed at Hoff and Sac Street.

**Johnson:**  Absent.

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

**Koch:** Legal for closed.

**Student Representative Arellano**: Reported Christmas in the Park was a success for the first year a total profit of $92.73. Twenty percent of which will go to the local food pantry while the remaining 80% will be divided up between participating vendors.

**Comments from the Public:**

-No comments from the Public. Next meeting date for December pending due to the Christmas holiday.

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**Convene into Closed Session:**

Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:03 p.m. and go into closed session. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Pate and Koch: Yes. None: No. Johnson: Absent.

**Reconvene Regular Session**

Pate motioned, Manring seconded, carried; to go back into regular session at 6:19 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch and Pate: Yes. None: No. Johnson: Absent.

-No votes were taken during closed session. Pate motioned, seconded by Manring, carried; to pay Kustom Auto for repairs done to the 2009 Chevy truck. Unanimously approved. This motion was made to ratify a vote taken on October 12th not to repair the vehicle.

**Adjourn Regular Session**

Manring motioned, seconded by Koch, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:44 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch and Pate: Yes. None: No. Johnson:Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**

**-Closed Session**

# **December 12, 2016**

The Stockton Board of Aldermen met in closed session on December 12, 2016 at 6:14 p.m. for the purpose of legal. City clerk was invited to attend Closed Session.

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

**Legal:** It was determined Koch’s topic should be discussed in opened.

**Personnel:**  No discussion.

**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

6:19 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Manring, Koch and Pate: Yes. None: No. Johnson: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**