# **Regular Session**

# **February 27, 2017**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for February 27, 2017 for the City of Stockton,

# Missouri was originally posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on February 23, 2017.

### 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 Mary Anne Manring, Gary Johnson, Larry Koch and Barbara Pate. 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 present.

**Invocation**

- Invocation was given by Jim Coffer at the Stockton United Methodist Church.

**Visitors**

-Lynn Johnson and Natalie Rojas Fast with the State of Missouri Cedar County Children’s Division requested use of the City’s community building lower level along with the FFA pavilion located in the Park with fees waived for a banquet recognizing local foster parents. Manring motioned, Pate seconded, carried; to allow the Cedar County Children’s Division use of the Community Building lower level and the FFA pavilion with fees waived on Friday June 2, 2017 in order to host a banquet recognizing local foster parents. Unanimously approved. The division’s director Johnson added that any donation of food and/or plastic ware items would be greatly appreciated.

**Minutes**

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

## Bills

Motion made by Pate, seconded by Koch, carried; to approve and pay bills as presented. Unanimously approved. Harper along with the Mayor and Lee’s help elaborated on one particular check written to Doug Burns for a third of the expenses incurred at his rental property on Ward Street. Apparently sewage damage had been done when a toilet was pulled up by a local plumber because of a sewer main being plugged up. It was first determined there was not a shut off valve however later the turn off was found and used. Nevertheless damage occurred and Lee instructed Council the reasonable thing to do was to accept part of the responsibility and pay a third of the cost.

**OLD BUSINESS**

-No old business.

**SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

-No scheduled business.

**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: Asked for clarification on the policy that was approved at the previous meeting regarding implementing fees for excessive turn ons and turn offs. Council’s consensus was the ordinance should

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limit the number of turn ons to “two” and the number of turn offs to “two” not one turn on with a corresponding turn off.

-Koch and Pate pointed out something still needed to be done regarding contacting the owners of lift stations about the City relinquishing maintenance responsibility. Norell instructed Harper to provide her a list of names to contact. Lee requested a list copy as well.

Public works: Heryford reported the painting of the community building was close to being completed and his crew would be starting on the stage portion Tuesday.

City Clerk: Harper enlightened Council on the continuing efforts of the City staff, particularly Deputy Finance Officer Dana Dawes towards The Wall That Heals event coming in May and requested Dawes be allowed to attend the closest Wall event before our event in order to observe the assembly and operation of The Wall it’s self. Manring motioned, Johnson seconded, carried; approving Dawes traveling to Mena, AR to train and prepare for The Wall That Heals event the City of Stockton is hosting in May. Unanimously approved.

-After weighing the cost of installing an additional pole to the area near 39 highway and Maplewood Place Pate motioned, Manring seconded, carried; to try going with a brighter bulb in the pole on the east side of 39 highway. Unanimously approved.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcer: Nothing for open

Sheriff Department Liaison: Deputy King reported there had been 15 arrest in the City of Stockton and a number of warrants issued. King and Lee explained those found guilty would pay a fine. Mayor Norell reiterated the importance of prosecuting those convicted of vandalism in the park. Heryford reported the most recent act of vandalism last week on the basketball court. Surveillance cameras identify a local vehicle spinning out on the courts. Deputy King requested a copy of the footage in order to begin the investigation. Deputy King also reported an armadillo infestation in the Country Oak’s Estate neighbor. Attendees also mentioned the deer population scourge. No decisions were made.

**Reports from Appointed Boards**

Cemetery: Not present.

Park Board: Not present.

Airport: Not present.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS:**

**Mayor Norell**: Communicated the need for establishing a five year plan for repairing streets along with maintaining the treatment plant. Mayor Norell informed Council the anticipated cost to paint the clarifiers has increased from between $5,000.00 to $9,000.00 to around $20,000.00 each. Therefore it may be necessary to paint one this fiscal year and the other next year.

-Koch motioned, seconded by Johnson, carried; to allow the local Veteran Organizations to ask for donations on the City square for The Wall That Heals event on March 25th and April 22nd.  Unanimously approved.

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

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

**Koch:** Asked status of cemetery surveying and reminded Heryford of the light out in the Park and the lumber down in the lane behind the County barn. Heryford is scheduled to get with Chad Pyle in a few weeks to start the project.

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

**Student Representative Arellano**: Absent.

**Comments from the Public:**  Local resident Judy Estes asked to be brought up to date on the RB project. Mayor Norell sited her recollection of events regarding the RB project however could not explain the lack of development of the Corp of Engineers 187 acres.

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**Adjourn Regular Session**

Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 5:49 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Koch, Johnson, Pate and Manring: Yes. None: No. None: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**