# **Regular Session**

# **July 13, 2020**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for July 13, 2020 for the City of Stockton, Missouri was originally posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on July 9, 2020.

### Call regular session to order/Roll call

Mayor Hamby 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, MaryAnne Manring, Barbara Pate and Brent Wallen. It was determined a quorum was present. Attending staff were City Clerk, Vanessa Harper and City Superintendent, Raymond Heryford. City Attorney, Peter Lee was also present.

**Pledge and Invocation**

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

**Agenda Approved:**

Pate motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried; approving an amendment to the agenda set for the July 13, 2020 City Council meeting to include discussion on the current cemetery mowing contract during Mayor communications. Unanimously approved.

**Visitors:**

Amber Fidler, president of the local Sertoma, addressed Council’s COVID-19 concerns of the upcoming Black Walnut Festival including the additional GermX stations as well as sanitizing the carnival rides with alcohol every four hours. Mayor Hamby raised the issue of compensation back to the City for use of the park which Fidler explained Sertoma was willing to consider. Fidler assured members, Sertoma would be following the CDC recommended guidelines. Sertoma will work with the Park Board to finalize plans for extending the handicap ramp to the inner circle. No vote taken.

After Stockton Area Chamber of Commerce vice president Crissy Reeder, addressed Pate’s safety concerns regarding the Chamber’s proposed haunted house, Pate motioned, seconded by Wallen, carried; to grant Reeder’s request for the SACC to use the upstairs of the community building for a haunted house fundraiser event from Sunday, October 25 through Sunday, November 1. Unanimously approved. Miles Brite added the Chamber planned not to charge admission to the haunted house the evening of the Chamber’s Halloween in the Park. Reeder assured Council, the Chamber would take care of sanitizing during the event and cleaning up after the event was concluded.

Marilyn Ellis addressed Council representing the Shared Streets project and explained this year’s $10,000.00 grant would need to be completely spent by September 28, 2020 which included the purchase of signs and a gate in the cemetery. Mayor Hamby expressed his opposition to opening the cemetery up to recreational vehicles through the gate which incited discussion on the topic. Manring suggested amending the ordinance to limit the recreational access from one point to another. Groff pointed out the Shared Streets engineered route had been approved by Council last year. No votes taken.

**Minutes:**

Motion made by Frieze, seconded by Wallen, carried; to approve the minutes as read for the council meeting on June 22, 2020. Unanimously approved.

## Bills:

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

**Comments from the Public:**

Miles Brite with the SACC, thanked Council again for the use of the community building for their haunted house event in October.

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**MAYOR APPOINTMENTS:**

Manring motioned, seconded by Frieze, carried: to approve Mayor Hamby’s appointment of northward alderperson, Barbara Pate as Mayor Pro-Tem. Unanimously approved. Mayor Hamby elected to delay his appointment of City Attorney until he was able to further review the contract.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

# **Reports from Appointed Boards**

Park: Absent. No votes taken.

Cemetery:  Absent. No votes taken.

Airport: Bill Seitz, president of the airport board, reviewed ongoing operations at the municipal airport including the MRVS group and fuel sales. Due to the recent influx of fuel sales, Seitz recommended purchasing a larger fuel tank to increase the City’s profit margin and cut down on fuel lead time. Seitz indicated the airport board would be putting together a proposal for an 8,000-gallon fuel tank which he estimated would be around $25,000.00. Seitz went on to suggest upgrading the airport security system and proposed switching to LED runway lightning. No votes taken.

Sheriff Department Liaison: Deputy Bollinger thanked the City for their latest streets repairs near the sheriff’s department and presented the most recent arrest report. Discussion also followed regarding residential fireworks. No votes taken.

# **SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

Manring motioned, Frieze seconded, carried; to update financial institution signature cards by removing Mary Norell’s name and adding Mayor Roger Hamby’s name. Unanimously approved.

Council reviewed the only submitted bid for the exterior wash of both City water towers from Braker Industrial Coatings for a grand total of $26,325.00. No vote was taken; however, the consensus was to include this bid amount in next year’s budget and schedule the cleaning for the fall.

**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: Lee reported the recent park bathroom vandal would be unable to pay restitution back to the City since he was currently serving a prison sentence. Lee was unsure when the City’s two pending jury trial cases would get to trial due to the COVID-19 restrictions and the new owner of 603 North Street should take over any day now. He also recommended budgeting for a new sidewalk along North Street adjacent to the City park. Council suggested contacting Kaysinger Basin Regional Planning Commission for possibly free engineering on the project. Nothing for closed.

Public Works Supervisor: Nothing for open or closed.

City Clerk: Manring motioned, Pate motioned, carried; approving Sertoma’s use of the entire park free of charge for last full week of September 2020 to hold the Black Walnut Festival event, including closing North, Black Walnut, High and Spring Streets for the specified dates. Unanimously approved. It was determined Sertoma would need to work out the details of the extended sidewalk with the Park board. Nothing for closed.

Building Inspector/Code Enforcer: Absent.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS:**

**Pate:** Forwarded compliments on the recent street repairs. Nothing for closed.

**Manring:** Asked that animal waste removal signs be placed in the cemetery as reminders and notified members the City did not get the Quad Lakes Recycling grant. Mayor Hamby noted City Council meetings would remain at a 4:30 p.m. start time. Nothing for closed.

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

**Frieze:** Pointed out mold on the water towers and relayed complaints from a resident that a storage door was hanging over the street on Dunlap and the weeds needed to be trimmed on Cassell Drive. Heryford will address. Nothing for closed.

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**MAYOR –COMMUNICATIONS:**

**Mayor Hamby**: Commended street crew on the recent street repairs and pointed out the metal strips on the wall left from the art gallery group should not be removed since removing them would leave holes in the wall. Hamby suggested possibly reimbursing the group for the metal strips to avoid costly wall repairs.

Mayor Hamby asked Council to consider rescinding the recent cemetery mowing contract with Smith Lawn Care and have the City crew take over the mowing. To take on the task would require a new smaller mower. No vote taken.

The Mayor introduced his latest implementation to improve efficiency in the maintenance department, the software program Maintenance X. The program tracks work orders added in the system to ensure the work is completed timely.

**Adjourn Regular Session**

Manring motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 6:38 p.m.

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

**ATTEST:**

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