**Mayor Patty Thompson called the public hearing to order regarding the proposed Tax Levy for 2015 at 5:59 p.m.**

**After giving a brief explanation Mayor Thompson closed the Public Hearing on the proposed tax levy set at .4320 for 2015 as of September 1st at 6:00 p.m.**

# **Regular Session**

# **August 24, 2015**

**Notice of Meeting and Agenda**

# An agenda for the regular session meeting for August 24, 2015 for the City of Stockton, Missouri was posted pursuant to RSMo Chapter 610.020 on August 20, 2015.

### Call regular session to order/Roll call

Mayor Thompson called the regular session meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and the City Clerk took roll call. Council members present were Greg Fidler, Barbara Pate and Gary Johnson. Carla Page was absent. It was determined a quorum was present. Attending City Staff were Peter Lee, City Attorney, Vanessa Underwood, City Clerk and Building Inspector/Code Enforcer, Brandon Cahill along with Raymond Heryford, City Superintendent.

**Invocation**

Invocation was given by Rod Hendricks with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

**Visitors**

None

**Minutes**

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

## Bills

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

**Final Comments from the Public**

None.

**SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

-Rod Hendricks with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers expressed the Corps receptiveness to the City discharging their 2016 firework display on top of the dam. Hendricks suggested submitting a letter to the Corps making the appeal formally and requesting a meeting to discuss issues like location and parking. Hendricks will have to get approval from his district office in Kansas City. Heryford pointed out next year’s display would need to take place on July 2nd, 2016.

- Bill number 15-488 to be Ordinance 488 an ordinance amending section 215.280 of the Stockton City Code regarding concealed carry permits was read for the first time by title only. Pate motioned, seconded by Fidler, carried; to accept the first reading of Bill No. 15-488 to be Ordinance 488. Approved with the following votes: Pate, Fidler, and Johnson: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

- Bill number 15-488 to be Ordinance 488 an ordinance amending section 215.280 of the Stockton City Code regarding concealed carry permits was read for a second time. Fidler motioned, seconded by Johnson, carried; to accept the second and final reading of Bill No. 15-488 to be Ordinance 488. Approved with the following votes: Pate, Fidler, and Johnson: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

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**Reports from Appointed Officials**

City Attorney: Still putting together the contract between Mr. Lombardo and the City for property he agreed to purchase at the August 10th meeting. Lee had also cleared up the “sick pool” issue and some other misinterpretations with Sullivan Publications. Nothing for closed.

Public works: Reported Well #4 was down probably due to lightning however he was still waiting on a final determination. Heryford was optimistic the ground grid Council agreed to purchase to go around Well #4 would prevent future lightning damage. He also reported numerous water leaks he had been repairing or needed to repair. Heryford had one personnel item for closed.

Building Inspector/General Code Enforcer: Fidler motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to allow Cahill to move forward with renting two side by side vehicles for the City crew’s use at this year’s Walnut Festival. Cahill presented three bids for a South Street sidewalk repair job; Lyndon Kenny for $10,272.00, Justin Colvin Excavating for $8568.00, and Duane Hubbard for $6216.00. Hubbard’s bid did not include removing the old sidewalk. Pate motioned, Fidler seconded, carried; to accept the Justin Colvin Excavating bid $8568.00. Unanimously approved. Cahill reported an issue with a portion of the new sidewalk adjacent to the Stockton Recreation pond. Council instructed Cahill to determine the source of water running underneath the sidewalk causing it to swell and to take appropriate measures to correct the problem. Cahill thought the simplest and least expensive method would be to dig a trench and place a lateral line surrounded by gravel to draw the water away from the sidewalk. Cahill had one item for closed.

City Clerk: Asked Council to consider crediting the local Optimist Club for their recent park rental because the bathrooms had not been opened for them to use, Underwood will research the exact date and circumstances of the rental and report back to Council at the next meeting. Heryford will make sure Park restrooms are properly marked and the Park hours sign is replaced. Pate motioned, Fidler seconded, carried; to replace the damaged Park security camera for an approximate cost of $730.00. Unanimously approved. Pate also motioned, seconded by Fidler, carried; to allow Underwood to proceed with obtaining a static IP address through Windstream for an additional cost of $15.00 per month. Unanimously approved.

**Reports from Appointed Boards**

Cemetery: Koch with the Cemetery board asked for clarification on what was considered a “quorum” for Cemetery board meetings purposes. According to the Stockton City Code, a quorum is considered to be three out of the three required number of members. Lee thought the ordinance could easily be changed to require only two members to be in attendance in order to have a quorum.

Park Board: Not present

Airport: Rissmiller with the airport board reported he had found a refurbished tank for $3425.00. This amount did not include moving the tank or the cost of accessories. Rissmiller discussed with Council different options for moving forward with the airport fuel sales. Examples included, taking the fuel sales private, a joint public/private partnership, creating a non-profit 501-3C to run the fuel sales through, or just to continue as is. He went on to mention that the cost of a new tank with a credit card machine along with moving expenses would be around $30,000.00 and would take around six weeks from start to finish to get set up.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM ELECTED OFFICALS**

Mayor Thompson: Fidler motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to grant 7C’s Winery, LLC permission to sell wine in the east pavilion of the park on Friday and Saturday night, September 25th and 26th, 2015 during the 55th Walnut Festival provided their liquor license is current. Unanimously approved. Council’s consensus was to re-examine the 7C’s topic each year in case any issues arose from year to

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year. Mayor Thompson reminded Council the sheriff’s contract was up for renewal in October. Pate had learned another city close to Stockton’s size paid a comparable amount for their police contract.

Fidler: Nothing for open.

Johnson: Had been confronted by an upset constituent receiving nuisance notice letters from the City Code Enforcer reciting trash and weed violations in their yard.

Pate: Nothing for open.

Page: Absent.

**Convene into Close**

Fidler motioned, seconded by Pate, carried; to close regular session and go into closed at 7:03 p.m. for legal and personnel. Approved with the following votes: Fidler, Johnson, and Pate: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

**Reconvene Regular Session**

Pate motioned, Fidler seconded, carried; to go back into regular session at 7:23 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Fidler, Johnson, and Pate: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

Council voted to keep Heryford’s crew member Katie White on for another 90 day temporary term. Unanimously approved.

**Adjourn Regular Session**

Fidler motioned, seconded by Johnson, carried; to adjourn the regular session meeting at 7:24 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Fidler, Johnson, and Pate: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**

**Closed Session**

# **August 24, 2015**

The Stockton Board of Aldermen met in closed session on August 24, 2015 at 7:06 p.m. for the purpose of legal and personnel.

Attending this portion of the meeting was Mayor Patty Thompson, council members Greg Fidler, Gary Johnson, and Barbara Pate. Carla Page was absent. Also in attendance were City Clerk, Vanessa Underwood, Building Inspector, Brandon Cahill, City Superintendent, Raymond Heryford and City Attorney, Peter Lee.

**Legal:**

Council discussed options for discarding bad fuel at the airport and also the legal ramifications of collecting soccer league fees for a group wanting to travel from town to town to play soccer.

**Personnel:** Heryford expressed his need for an additional full time employee. Fidler motioned, Pate seconded, carried, to keep Katie White on the payroll for another 90 day temporary term. Approved with the following votes: Fidler, Johnson, and Pate: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

**Real Estate**: No discussion.

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

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

7:23 p.m. Approved with the following votes: Fidler, Johnson, and Pate: Yes. None: No. Page: Absent.

**ATTEST:**

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**City Clerk Mayor**