



CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022

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The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri duly met on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers with Mayor Andrew L. Dawson presiding. Mayor Dawson called the meeting to order and asked for a moment of prayer led by Mayor Pro-Tem Tina Boggess followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Status, Name, Status. Rows include Jack Robinson, Thomas Oldham, Chris Marshall, Tina Boggess, Bob Cross, Rhiannon Foster, Steve Bloess.

SERVICE/SPECIAL/RETIREMENT AWARDS: None

MINUTES: The Council Meeting minutes of September 6, 2022 were approved on motion by Bloess, seconded by Foster. All present in favor.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES: None

ROLL CALL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

PUBLIC WORKS – Thomas Oldham, Chairman; Tina Boggess, Vice Chairwoman

Presentation: Oak Wilt

Chris Rippey has spent 25 years working as an arborist for the City of Seattle and Stanford University. He was asked to look at a pin oak tree in Liberty Park that seemed to be dying and noticed a row of oak trees across the street that also seemed to be dying. He tested the tree in Liberty Park and a tree on the street and sent samples to be analyzed at a lab in Allen, Texas that showed oak wilt. Signs of oak wilt begin around May and is a disease that affects oak, chestnut and beech trees. The fungus is transferred from tree to tree by beetles or from root to root contact. Mr. Rippey feels quarantining tree sites, removing trees and stumps as soon as they show signs and removing trees within 6 to 7 feet of infected trees will slow the spread of oak wilt in the community. Depending on which type of oak tree is infected, it would need removed or treated with a fungicide yearly.

Councilman Oldham asked for information on oak wilt. Mr. Rippey stated he has a blog he wrote and would send him the information. Councilman Bloess stated that trees on city property could be dealt with, however trees on private property and in the county can't. He would like to see the Resolution expanded to include more maintenance of trees instead of just focusing on oak wilt. He mentioned that Mr. Rippey is up for appointment to the Tree Board and it would be great to have an arborist on the Board.

RESOLUTION NO. 1984 - A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE TREE BOARD OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA TO INVESTIGATE THE PRESENCE OF OAK WILT WITHIN THE CITY OF SEDALIA AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR A PLAN TO CONTROL AND ERADICATE OAK WILT was read once by title and approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All present in favor.

➤ The agreement with Roman and Svetlana Sorokopud is for connection of property located at 2921 Oak Ridge Road to the City's water distribution system.

BILL NO. 2022-157, ORDINANCE NO. 11651 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AN ANNEXATION AND UTILITY SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR CONNECTION TO THE CITY OF SEDALIA'S WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No".

FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION – Chris Marshall, Chairman; Jack Robinson, Vice Chairman

Financial Update: Finance Director Jessica Pyle stated Sales and Use Tax fiscal year to date is up approximately \$420,000. Franchise and Cigarette Taxes are up, however last fiscal year, figures were delayed so the comparison is large. Transportation Tax and Gas Tax is up 12.5% fiscal year to date. 92% of Property Taxes are collected in the months of December and January.

➤ The City uses NetMotion which allows Fire and Police to send and receive data and access work stations remotely. NetMotion is now subscription based. The contract has expired, more users need to be added and upgrades are needed. IT Director, Monte Richardson, negotiated a 3-year price guarantee. The first year will be \$6,526.48 and the next 2 years will be \$4,688.02/yr.

BILL NO. 2022-158, ORDINANCE NO. 11652 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FROM SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP. FOR A THREE YEAR RENEWAL OF NETMOTION SOFTWARE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Marshall. All present in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No".

➤ The City routinely replaces desktop computers each year and better pricing is available when purchased in bulk. Staff recommends awarding the purchase to Staples at a cost of \$18,094.75.

BILL NO. 2022-159, ORDINANCE NO. 11653 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FROM STAPLES FOR REPLACEMENT COMPUTERS was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Robinson. All present in favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Robinson. All present in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No".

➤ Resolution to obtain annual report of funds and expenditures from Bothwell Regional Health Center. RESOLUTION NO. 1985 – A RESOLUTION REQUESTING BOTHWELL REGIONAL HEALTH CENTER TO MAKE A DETAILED REPORT SHOWING THE RECEIPTS OF ALL FUNDS AND THE EXPENDITURES PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-444. – ANNUAL REPORT OF CODE OF ORDINANCES CITY OF SEDALIA was read once by title and approved on motion by Boggess, seconded by Oldham. All present in favor.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT – Rhiannon Foster, Chairwoman; Bob Cross, Vice Chairman

- The mural in the east-west alley between 209 South Ohio and 211 South Ohio is complete. The alley has been resurfaced, renamed and needs lighting. The lighting has been purchased and Staff recommends approval of the agreements with building owners on each side of the alley to allow attachment of lights and use of electricity. (Harry Hoffert – 209 South Ohio; Rodingson Perez – 211 South Ohio).

BILL NO. 2022-160, ORDINANCE NO. 11654 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A LIGHTING AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 209 SOUTH OHIO AVENUE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”.

BILL NO. 2022-161, ORDINANCE NO. 11655 – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A LIGHTING AGREEMENT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 211 SOUTH OHIO AVENUE was read once by title.

2nd Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Marshall. All present in favor.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2nd by Foster. All present in favor.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”.

PUBLIC SAFETY – Jack Robinson, Chairman; Steve Bloess, Vice Chairman – No Report

APPOINTMENTS:

The following new appointments were read and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Marshall. All present in favor.

*Chris Rippey – Tree Board – Completing Kim Graves Term Expiring June 2023

*Kelvin Shaw – Sedalia Area Tourism Commission

BIDS: None

LIQUOR LICENSES: The following renewal Liquor Licenses were read and approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All present in favor.

*Erica Eisenmenger dba Ivory Grille LLC, 317 S Ohio, Liquor By The Drink

*Thomas J. Adermann dba Best Western State Fair Inn, 3120 S Limit, Liquor By The Drink

*Cathy Geotz dba Break Time #3167, 101 Rebar Road, Packaged Liquor & Sunday Sales

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATOR:

Councilman Oldham stated the Missouri Municipal League Conference was fantastic and Councilman Bloess added there was a lot of good information that he has shared with Staff and thanked Mayor Dawson for sending them.

Mayor Dawson stated there were several things going on in town this past weekend. The Park and Recreation Department had the “Things That Go” event, the First Responders Lunch at Centennial Park, car show at Gardner Denver and the Alzheimer’s 5K. Councilman Oldham added the “Wings for Wags” event is Saturday, September 24, 2022 and there will be a lot happening downtown in October for the Halloween season. Joleigh Cornine, Downtown Planner, has been working on a Spirit Walk with paranormal tours and activities October 15, 2022.

Councilwoman Boggess stated there will be "Spark the Heart for the Arts" at Hubbard Park Saturday, September 24, 2022, at 2:00 p.m and there will be vendors and food available.

GOOD & WELFARE:

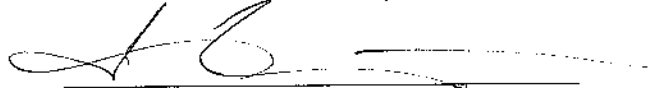
Tom Eschbacher, 915 Ruth Ann, stated his neighborhood has a lot of large mature trees and that we are very lucky to have the arborist that was just here. What we see mostly in Sedalia are guys with chainsaws that don't know what they are doing. They should know what they are doing and inform customers that cutting oak trees between March 1 and July 1 makes trees susceptible to oak wilt.

Joe Eschbacher, 2921 Mimosa Drive, stated he was concerned about the annexation and utilities agreement for property located at the end of Oak Ridge Road. If at any time that property is annexed into the City, the residents who live on Apple Ridge Road in South Walnut Hills would be opposed to opening it up, conjoining the two roads and giving people on Oak Ridge Road access into Walnut Hills.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m. on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster to a closed-door meeting in the upstairs conference room pursuant to subsections 1 (Legal Advice), 2 (Real Estate) and 12 (Negotiated Contracts) of Section 610.021 RSMo. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Boggess, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted "No".

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:39 p.m. and closed on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All present in favor.

THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI



Andrew L. Dawson, Mayor


Arlene Silvey, MPCC City Clerk