

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

November 13th, 2017

The Board of Aldermen met in Regular Session with Mayor Todd Williams at City Hall, 206 North 16th Street, on Monday, November 13th, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Williams, Ishmael, Brejnik, Mann, Johns

Absent: None

Others Present: Jonne Slemons, Nita Schroff, William Lewis, Miles Figg, Jan Johns, Shannon Howe, Marvin Casady, Jacob Taylor, George Hulet, Paul Gard, Chris Thomas, Dena McDaniel, Stuart Johnson, Levi McDaniel and Phil Conger.

Meeting Called To Order Mayor Todd Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to approve or amend the agenda.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Brejnik to approve the agenda and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Approve Bills Mayor Todd Williams asked if there were any questions on bills presented for payment and if not, a motion to approve the bills.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the bills as presented and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

ACCO	555.85	Community Wholesale	540.00
Advanced Tire	280.00	Deana Hudlemeyer	160.00
Andereck, Evans, Widger	3,307.32	Elecsys International	24.00
ANR Pipeline Co	15,766.62	Fischer Concrete	931.75
Baker & Taylor Inc.	493.36	Fonseca, Brian	375.00
Barco Municipal Products	630.25	Fordyce Equip Inc.	5.05
Bethany Building Center	382.12	Galls LLC	74.49
Bethany Printing Co.	1,014.20	GRM Networks	1,248.97
Blessing, Norman J	1,600.00	Grundy Electric Coop	865.00
BOKF NA	57,968.75	Harrison Co Ad-Visor	128.00
Brandy Electric Inc.	214,200.00	Harrison Co Sheriff	34.00
BSN Sports Collegiate	1,858.74	Harrison Co Treasurer	6,891.13
Carquest Auto Parts	67.96	Heiman Inc.	9.00
Central Bank of Midwest	9,982.21	Interstate All Battery Center	148.50
Cintas Inc.	206.52	Jennings, Charles L	180.00
City of Bethany	15,790.77	John Deere Financial	490.42
City of Bethany North TIF	24,076.18	K-5 Window Cleaning	45.00
City of Ridgeway	800.00	Kriz Davis Company	1,222.99
Commerce Bank	1,178.81	Law Enforcement Systems	207.00

Maryville Typewriter	424.50	Missouri One Call System	72.80
Midwest Public Risk	19,807.68	MO Sales Use Tax	14,942.98
Midwest Supply	209.00	Nail Excavating	39,067.52
Miscellaneous	3,825.12	Newman Plumbing LLC	155.00
MO Joint Mun Elect UT Co	262,740.64	Norris Quarries LLC	624.39
North MO Solid Waste	329.20	O'Reilly Automotive Inc.	230.10
Olsson Associates	3,450.00	Pavin Maintenance Supply	6,841.90
Pettijohn Auto Center	2,695.72	Petty Cash	245.61
Petty Cash – Library	4.85	Porter Trash Service	12,635.08
Prinsco	3,481.30	Quad City Testing Laboratory	1,100.00
Randy's Auto Service	15.96	Remmers Design	36.00
Ricoh USA	120.51	Russell Plumbing	385.00
Sanders Electric Heat & AC	274.17	Shelby Printing	304.67
Southside MFA	40.00	Tekcollect Inc.	18.67
The Armory	750.00	Tyler Technologies Inc.	5,809.64
Utility Consultants Inc.	150.00	Verizon Wireless	373.95
Walmart	1,158.12	Wieland Hauling Inc.	1,463.47
Witmer Public Safety	328.07	Howe Company	111,381.48
Foley Company	474,387.29	Foley Company	374,840.80
Emery Sapp & Sons STIF	770,198.19	Bethany Printing Co.	95.80
Bethany Printing Co. NW TIF	126.60		

Total \$ 2,513,581.74

Payroll
10-27-17

Jonne D Slemons	1,639.40	Jacob R Taylor	917.29
Trevor A Place	756.36	Michelle Thomas	989.06
Jacob Denum	1,046.91	Ann Kohler	434.74
Jaunita E Schroff	1,176.83	Jesse M Sanders	658.58
Trayce D Warner	1,153.14	Leslie S Groom	896.21
Brian S Groom	1,189.33	Bryan E Holloway	1,049.17
Aaron S Parkhurst	493.54	Andrew J Alborn	897.59
Michelle Thomas	15.00	Elizabeth Whitney	70.65
John W Findley	792.50	Michael R Lykins	851.81
Janee A Lehleitner	553.00	Cathy M Johnson	996.82
Judith A Hinkle	150.44	Linda L Sanders	201.78
Kenneth D Robertson	847.27	Brian J Willis	880.04
Ted G Clemmons	1,026.30	Toby J Puffer	800.93
Randy W Jennings	856.04	Robert W Russell	931.68
Charlie D Bennett	856.33	Brian K Jennings	823.30
Lela A Stottlemeyer	333.37	Paul L Gard	1,062.32
Johnathan M Brown	863.53	Hailey J Carter	28.26
Gavin R Johns	37.09	Maggie Jennings	167.91
Hailey S Henry	70.65	Cole J Ellis	72.41

Total \$26,587.58

Approve Minutes of October 16th, 2017 Mayor Todd Williams called for approval or correction of the Regular Minutes of October 16th, 2017.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to approve the Regular Minutes of October 16th, 2017 and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Public Hearing

Mayor Todd Williams started the Public Hearing on the recent Board of Adjustment recommendation at 5:35 p.m.

Administrator Jonne Slemons explained to the Council the Board of Adjustment has met twice on the request from Chris Thomas for a “special exception” the current R-2 zoning of lot, which is located at the corner of South 24th Street and Beekman Street (former church). Chris Thomas wants to make four-plex apartments out of the old church across from the elementary school.

The Board of Adjustment voted unanimously to recommend approval of the special exception to R-2 zoning.

Alderman Gene Ishmael asked Chris Thomas about whether two doors are required for fire safety.

Chris Thomas responded the apartment will be up to City code but an exit does not have to be a door in this case it will be an egress window.

The apartments will have a sprinkler system and a central dumpster. Each apartment will have its own utility meter for separate billing.

Mayor Todd Williams added no one is opposed to the proposed use of the property but wants the appearance of property kept up since it is around the school and many people will be driving by each day.

Alderman Randy Brejnik asked if the apartments would be section 8 housing and Chris Thomas replied no because of the zoning, even with the requested special exception, does not allow for section 8 housing.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to approve the Board of Adjustment recommendation and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams asked for Levi McDaniel to stand up and explain why he is here.

Levi McDaniel is from Boy Scout Troop 100 and he attended the meeting to learn more about government.

Bill #1277

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING A NEW ARTICLE IV ENTITLED “WATER CONNECTION” OF CHAPTER 700 ENTITLED “WATER” OF TITLE VII ENTITLED “UTILITIES” OF THE BETHANY CITY CODE was read by title only by Mayor Todd Williams for the first reading.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to approve the first reading of Bill #1277 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Miles – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams read Bill #1277 by title for the second and final reading.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to approve the second and final reading of Bill #1277 and to adopt Ordinance #1277 and seconded by

Alderman Lance Johns.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Bill #1278

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 715.010 ENTITLED “APPLICATION FOR UTILITY SERVICES, DEPOSITS” OF ARTICLE I ENTITLED “GENERAL PROVISIONS” OF CHAPTER 715 ENTITLED “UTILITY BILLING” OF TITLE VII ENTITLED “UTILITIES” OF THE BETHANY CITY CODE, was read by title only by Mayor Todd Williams for the first reading.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to approve the first reading of Bill #1278 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams read Bill # 1278 by title for the second and final reading.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the second and final reading of Bill #1278 and to adopt Ordinance #1278 and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Administrator &
Department
Reports

Mayor Todd Williams asked Paul Gard, Motor Pool, if he could use the same weight oil in the vehicles. Mayor Todd Williams thought if the oil could be bid out in larger containers it would save the City more money.

Paul Gard, Motor Pool, explained that he did not have much space to store a large container of oil.

Mayor Todd Williams asked if he has space to store a year’s worth of filters and Paul Gard, Motor Pool, replied no unless he takes them to the Fire Department or another department.

Mower Tractor

Paul Gard, Motor Pool, told Council the 1025R John Deere tractor mower has been blowing white smoke out of the exhaust when started and starts pushing antifreeze out of radiator over flow after running a few minutes. The park brake has a broken disc in the rear end and will not hold the mower when set. Paul Gard, Motor Pool, believes the head gasket is out. This mower has around 900 hours and didn’t know if it was worth fixing it this winter or just trading it off.

Mayor Todd Williams replied the Electric and Gas Department need to put another mower in their budget for next year.

Ditching Tractor

Paul Gard, Motor Pool, told Council the ditching tractor is using oil. The oil is not leaking out of the gasket or seals. Paul Gard, Motor Pool got prices for the repair and gave it to Randy Jennings, Street Superintendent, to put in next year’s budget. He could work on it in the winter if the Council wants it fixed.

Mayor Todd Williams would like Paul Gard, Motor Pool, to pull the head off and see how it looks.

Public Input

No Public Input at this time.

Administrator &

Mayor Todd Williams asked for the Administrator and Department Reports.

Department Reports

Howe
Engineering &
Emery
Construction Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council Howe Company Engineering and Emery Sapp & Sons Construction have completed 30th Street and final payment is enclosed in packet. The ribbon cutting for the road will be Friday, November 17th, 2017 at 11:45 a.m.

Mayor Todd Williams thanked Shannon Howe for all the work done to get this project completed on time.

WWTP Administrator Jonne Slemons explained to Council that Foley has asked for a change order to purchase a flood pump for \$36,760.46. After talking with George Hulet, PeopleService, and Snyder & Associates they do not think we need to purchas.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to reject the change order for flood pump of \$36,760.46 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

WWTP Administrator Jonne Slemons would like authorization to pay Foley application #7 for \$474,387.29 and #8 for \$374,840.80.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to authorize Administrator Jonne Slemons to sign application #7 and application #8 and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Compost Administrator Jonne Slemons told Alderman Gene Ishmael the signs have been put up to restrict the size of limbs that will be accepted at the compost, and ban the dumping of plastic bags, tires and trash.

Purple Wave Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council Pettijohn Auto Center had offered a \$4,700.00 trade in on the police vehicle. Chief Groom did not like that amount so he put it on Purple Wave and received \$7,000.00 for the old police vehicle. The old dump truck was also advertised on Purple Wave but they have not sold as of this time.

Old City Lake
Dam Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council MoDOT, will not approve the piping on the east side of 69 Highway. The engineers' construction cost estimate for the west side is \$162,190.00. The City had some 6" pipe on hand but the project will require 8" pipe.

The engineers gave three options to the temporary piping, one of which requires valves and having the City install. This option is the cheapest at approximately \$30,000.00 for materials. The other option is to repair and flatten the back slope of the dam and would be higher in cost but would eliminate the need for a reactionary plan. The RFP for design and construct has already been authorized, and will be sent out this week.

Prop P Jacob Taylor, Assistant Administrator, described a Proposition passed in St. Louis County and the City of St. Louis which the City of Bethany may want to consider.

It is a sales tax to improve public safety by providing law enforcement with manpower and resources necessary to protect residents. The Police Department is understaffed and police officers can't even take vacation or be off sick.

The sales tax increase would solve the staffing issue and add two more officers to the force. With the increase of \$0.15% would give about \$120,000.00 for police salaries and general safety concerns. That would raise the total sales tax to 8%. The matter is kept open for discussion.

Use Tax Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council she was going to attend a meeting at Blue Springs on Tuesday, November 14th, 2017 on other cities' successes and failures regarding passing a Use Tax. If the City of Bethany has a Use Tax it would receive the same amount of money as our sales tax, for on line (out of state) sales.

Personnel Manual Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council the old and revised personnel manual is included in the packet. As you review the changes, you will see that we propose to switch employees from a vacation/sick time system to a paid time off system. A PTO program will save time for supervisors and employee record keeping staff. The City will only be required to pay out a maximum of 80 hours to employees that have been with the City for over 10 years as opposed to the current max rate of 160-300 hours. The Police Department employees would not be limited to the maximum accrual rate. The item is kept open for further discussion.

Gas Prices Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council the Gas Market Watch reports have been inching upward. Administrator Jonne Slemons recommends locking in 30% of the gas for 2021 and 2022 and getting it for under \$3.00 decatherm.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to authorize Administrator Jonne Slemons to lock in gas prices for 2021 and 2022 not to exceed 30% and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Summit Natural Gas Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council Ted Clemmons, Gas Superintendent, showed Chuck Johnston the system and spoke with him on the phone about some questions. Everyone is answering their questions.

Utility Statements Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council the utility statements bids are under her authorization level and there is no need for any action on it.

Alderman Randy Mann suggested keeping it local since there isn't much price difference.

Great North West Days Administrator Jonne Slemons advised Council the Great North West Days is scheduled for February 6th & 7th in Jefferson City. If the Mayor or Councilman would like to go please let Administrator Jonne Slemons know so they can get registered.

Survey Administrator Jonne Slemons advised Council we have received around 20 surveys.

Council Reports & Comments Alderman Randy Mann stated he had some complaints that there were no signs on door about the Council meeting getting postponed.

Alderman Randy Brejnik would like 14th Street from Main to Beekman to be included on street project for next year.

Alderman Randy Brejnik would like to look at lowering the electric rates again.

Alderman Gene Ishmael suggested the Street Department crack seal Vandivert Street.

Alderman Gene Ishmael asked about the tires that were on the dam and Administrator Jonne Slemons replied they were disposed of.

Mayor's
Comments &
Appointments

Mayor has no appointments at this time.

Mayor Todd Williams stated Verna Herzog would like to be taken off the Harrison County Extension Board.

Closed Session

Motion made by Alderman Randy Brejnik to go into Closed Session for Real Estate at 7:22 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Open Session

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to go into Open Session at 7:50 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Adjourn

Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Todd Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nita Schroff, City Clerk