

**JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

May 21, 2018

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting for the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Gary Shaw.

**INVOCATION** - read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** to the United States of America was led by Mr. Lawson

**ROLL CALL** – Answering Roll Call were Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Douglas Lawson, Diane Reid Adams, Gary Shaw; Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Jim West. Also in attendance were City Manager Sam Anselm and City Attorney Peter Edwards.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA** – There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

FY2017 Annual Audit Report, presented by Finance Director Leslie Haase and Brian Holst of Cochran Head and Vick, CPA. Overall the audit was good. There was a change in significant accounting policies and that was in 2017 the City adopted the Governmental Accounting Standards (GASB Statement No. 77, Tax Abatement Disclosures). The results of the audit were 1) there were no unmodified reports (also called a clean opinion); 2) no identified deficiencies in internal control considered to be material weaknesses (second year in a row for this notation); 3) the City of Joplin complied in all material respects with the finance related laws and regulations that govern their operations.

Other Management Letter Comments: contains suggestions for best practices and possible improvements in internal control noted in the conduct of the audit: subrecipient monitoring; future accounting pronouncements. Recommendation: start documenting the process used to decide which subrecipient they're going to monitor and which kind of risk assessment procedure they (CDBG) do. Leslie reviewed the other audit reports.

**CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS**

Ashley Raby, 811 W. 6<sup>th</sup> St., Joplin, MO, would like to address the City Council regarding police and continued release of frequent offenders. Mayor Shaw thanked Ms. Raby for bringing her concerns to the city council. He stated they are aware of it and they are working to resolve it.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**CONSENT AGENDA.** Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Colbert-Kean to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0

Minutes of the May 7, 2018 City Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-254 - AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2004-256, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, November 15, 2004, by removing from District R-1 and including in District C-3 property as described below and located at 1430 S. Range Line Road, City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2018-055**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-257-AN ORDINANCE amending Ordinance No. 2004-256, passed by the Council of the City of Joplin, Missouri, November 15, 2004, by removing from District R-1 and including in District C-3 property as described below and located at 7548 E. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, City of Joplin, Newton County, Missouri. **Ordinance No. 2018-056**

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-606-AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri and Publication Printers Corporation, a Colorado Corporation, in the amount of \$20,821.00 for the publication of 60,000 copies of the Convention & Visitors Bureau's 2018 Joplin Visitor's Guide; and authorizing the City Manager to execute said Agreement by and on behalf of the City of Joplin, Missouri; and amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 as adopted by Ordinance 2017-167 on October 16, 2017. **Ordinance No. 2018-057**

## **RESOLUTIONS**

### **ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY**

Mr. West introduced Council Bill No. 2018-020 - an ordinance approving an Amended Loan Recipient Agreement by and between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Able Manufacturing & Assembly, LLC., providing for the loan of up to Seven Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars, No Cents (\$715,000.00) from the Economic Development Fund; authorizing the City Manager to execute the Amended Loan Recipient Agreement and other appropriate documents as required therein, by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No. 2018-020 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-058**

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2018-119 - an ordinance approving the City of Joplin to enter into a change order for the 2018 Resurfacing Project in the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-nine and 84/100 dollars (\$236,929.84); and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2018-119 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-059**

Mr. West introduced Council Bill No. 2018 – 357 - an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and B & D Yardbuilders for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 725 Murphy Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,000.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Brown that Council Bill No. 2018-357 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-060**

Mr. Lawson introduced Council Bill No. 2018 – 358 - an ordinance approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and B & D Yardbuilders for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 727 Murphy Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$2,000.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Lawson, second by Mr. West that Council Bill No. 2018-358 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-061**

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2018-410 -an ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to execute a Sub-Recipient Agreement Amendment and Memorandum of Understanding with the Joplin Area Chamber of Commerce Foundation to provide additional funds necessary to rehabilitate the roof at the existing Advanced Training and Technology Center through the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) program in the amount not to exceed Two Hundred Ten Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$210,000.00); authorizing the City Manager, or his designee, the Director of Planning, Development, and Neighborhood Services to execute same on behalf of the City and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mrs. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2018-410 be approved on emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-062**.

Mr. Stanley introduced Council Bill No. 2018-507-an ordinance approving the First Amendment to the 1717 Market Place Tax Increment Financing Plan; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No. 2018-507 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-063**

Mrs. Reid Adams introduced Council Bill No. 2018-508 - an ordinance of the City of Joplin, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate of two and five eighths percent (2<sup>5/8</sup>%) for storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced, or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced, or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the election called and to be held in the City on Tuesday August 7, 2018 and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mrs. Reid Adams, second by Mr. West that Council Bill No. 2018-508 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor

by Mr. West that Council Bill No. 2018-508 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-064**

Mr. Brown introduced Council Bill No. 2018-509 - an ordinance amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 as adopted by Ordinance 2017-167 on October 16, 2017, to adjust appropriations and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Mrs. Reid Adams that Council Bill No. 2018-509 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, Lawson, Reid Adams, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett and West, 8. Nays: 0. The council bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-065**.

### **Ordinances – First Reading**

### **Ordinances – Second Reading and Third Reading**

### **Unfinished Business**

#### **New Business**

Presentations from City Council applicants.

The following applicants gave a presentation to the city council detailing their interest in filling the vacant general city council seat: Anthony Monteleone; Steve Urie; Christopher Briley; Harvey Hutchinson; Rocky Biggers; and James Scott. The city council thanked the applicants for their time and interest and informed the applicants that a special meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 23, 2018 to receive nominations and vote to fill the vacancy.

#### **News and announcements from Public Information officer, Lynn Onstot:**

As Joplin residents begin warmer weather chores in their yards, the City's Stormwater Team reminds them to please mow the grass so that cut grass is distributed upon their yard and not out into the street. Mowed grass, leaves and other yard debris accumulates at their road's stormwater drains, causing a hazardous clog to the stormwater system for Joplin roads. City Crews appreciate everyone following these guidelines, as will your neighbors and others driving along your street during the next rainfall.

Starting today, Murphy Boulevard is closed b/w 15th & 20th Streets for realignment work & sidewalk construction. This project should be completed by mid to late summer. Detours are posted; and motorists are encouraged to use caution in the area. This is part of recovery work funded by HUD's Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery program.

Monday, May 28 is Memorial Day and City offices will be closed that day. In addition, residential trash service will not occur on Monday, May 28 with households having their trash picked up one day later than their normal scheduled day. Monday's service will be picked up on Tuesday and the week concludes with Friday customers having trash service on Saturday, June 2.

#### **Comments from City Council members:**

Mr. Stinnett commented that he was disappointed to learn that due to the shortage of lifeguards for the city's swimming pools, the City must limit the number of days two of the pools will be open. Schifferdecker pool will be open every day. Ewert will be closed Monday, Wednesday, Friday and

Saturday. Cunningham will be closed Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. A total of 80 lifeguards are needed to safely operate all three pools daily. Mr. Stinnett asked the city manager for a breakdown of lifeguards for each pool and the requirements for why that many.

Mr. Stinnett commented that there is tall grass that needs mowed on a new street near Arizona and 31<sup>st</sup> Streets.

Mr. Stinnett stated he received a call from some citizens who live near 34<sup>th</sup> and Main Streets, regarding a crushing operation in that area. He was dismayed to find out that a special use permit was not required to run a crushing operation in a residential area. He would like to address the codes that allow this to happen. He also commented on the noise ordinance only being in effect from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am; allowing the business to make all the noise they wanted during the day; not taking into consideration that some people are home during the day and some people may need to sleep during the day due to working nights. The next issue was about the dust created by the operation. Mr. Stinnett stated something needs to be done to deter the amount of dust created by the operation like enforcing the dust ordinance. Putting a watering system in, right where the crushing occurs, would be a place to start. He further stated that in most construction places, we require them to have riprap in place so that they don't take dirt and mud into the streets, and this operation doesn't have that in place. Mr. Stinnett stated these issues are frustrating to the neighborhood, and he would like to come up with new ordinances to make sure this does not happen again.

Mayor Shaw stated that Mrs. Colbert-Kean has been asked to serve on an MML (Missouri Municipal League) committee, which would require the council's approval of travel expenses. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. West to approve this request. The vote was 8-0. Mrs. Colbert-Kean stated that expenses should be minimum because a city vehicle would be available for her use to MML.

Mayor Shaw stated he received a thank you note for flowers from former Mayor Kay Wells, whose husband (Jerry Wells) passed away recently.

Mayor Shaw stated he had the privilege of attending the Walk of Silence Friday, May 18 to honor the 161 lives who were lost in the May 2011 tornado. He also stated the Memorial Run was successful with over 2,000 runners participating, with 23 states and 6 foreign countries being represented.

Mayor Shaw expressed condolences to the family Bruce Ellard, who was a Joplin citizen, a former marine captain and pilot, and a volunteer in the records department for the Police Department. Mayor Shaw stated he had many pleasant memories of Mr. Ellard, who was a blessing to our community.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully,



Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk, MRCC