

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES
September 12, 2018
6:50 p.m.**

The City Council held a public hearing on September 12, 2018 at 6:50 p.m. Present for the hearing: Mayor Mike Cage, City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Finance Director Pat Parsons and Council Members – Boyer, Underwood, Wilkey, Wehner, Gray, Venz, Cook and Tinnin.

Pat Parsons stated that the purpose of the hearing was to set the annual tax rates as required by the County Clerk's Office. Pat stated there was no change from the tax rate from last year which was 0.6632.

No public comments were received. Mayor Cage closed the hearing at 6:55 p.m.

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
September 12, 2018
7:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on September 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call: Wilkey, Cook, Wehner, Boyer, Underwood, Tinnin, Venz and Gray; Absent – none. Mayor Mike Cage presided over the meeting. Also present City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Finance Director Pat Parsons, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis, Police Captain Doug Wendel, Fire Chief Kevin Cremer, Public Works Supt. Matt Clemens, Parks Supt. Larry Crites and City Attorney Larry Wadsack.

Council, staff, etc. then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Addendum to Agenda

Councilman Cook made a motion to amend the agenda and add Bills No. 4475 and 4476. Motion seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes

Minutes of the August 22, 2018 council meeting and the August 15, 2018 work session were presented for approval. **Councilman Underwood made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously. On a call by the chair, minutes of the council meeting were then approved.**

Warrants

Mayor Cage reported warrants in the amount of \$666,835.88. Councilman Cook made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Councilman Boyer. Votes to approve the warrants were as follows: Ayes – Tinnin, Underwood, Boyer, Venz, Wehner, Wilkey, Cook and Gray; Nays – none.

Bids

Road Striping Quotes

Matt Clemens gave a staff report stating that two quotes were acquired for striping of 15 roads with total linear footage of 5.9 miles which include two center yellow lines and one outside white line with glass beads. The two quotes were as follows: Traffic Control \$24,000 and America Parking \$24,800. Matt stated that staff recommends accepting the low bid from Traffic Control. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to accept the bid of \$24,000 from Traffic Control, seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Underwood, Wilkey, Wehner, Gray, Cook, Venz and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

Library LED Replacement

Greg Camp gave a staff report stating that four quotes were received for this project as follows: Bartels & Missey \$6,223.26; DeSoto Electric \$10,990.00; Pioneer Electric \$5,930.00; and Reinhold Electric \$3,920.00. After staff review and with Reinhold Electric satisfying all the requirements of the RFP it was recommended to accept the quote from Reinhold Electric. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to accept the quote from Reinhold Electric for \$3,920.00, motion was seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Underwood, Wilkey, Wehner, Gray, Cook, Venz and Tinnin; Nays – none.**

Visitors

Marcus Shepherd addressed the Council regarding Bill No. 4470 which was the Amendment to the Employment Agreement with Greg Camp. Mr. Shepherd quoted statutes and municipal code as it references contract and salary terms for the City Administrator position. Mr. Camp stated that is why Bill No. 4470 was on the agenda so that his employment agreement would be consistent with municipal code.

Correspondence - none

Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution No. 4469 ½ – A Resolution of Official Intent of the City of Festus, Missouri, toward the issuance of Industrial Revenue Bonds to Finance an Industrial Development Project, and Authorizing Certain Actions relating thereto. Clerk Patek read Resolution No. 4469 ½. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Greg Camp gave a staff report. Councilman Venz made a motion to approve **Resolution No. 4469 ½, seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried** unanimously. Resolution No. 4469 ½ was then approved by the following votes: Ayes – Gray, Boyer, Wilkey, Tinnin, Wehner, Venz, Cook and Underwood; Nays – none. Mayor Cage declared Resolution No. 4469 ½ passed.

Resolution No. 4470 ½ – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Accepting Unrestricted General Fund Reserve Funds in lieu of Debt Payments for the purposes of the Festus Fire Department, Parks Department and Public Library; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read **Resolution No. 4470 ½. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Greg Camp** gave a staff report. Councilman Venz made a motion to approve Resolution No. **4470 ½, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously.** **Resolution No. 4470 ½ was then approved by the following votes: Ayes – Gray, Boyer, Wilkey, Tinnin, Wehner, Venz, Cook and Underwood; Nays – none.** **Mayor Cage declared Resolution No. 4470 ½ passed.**

Bill No. 4470 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Authorizing the Mayor to enter into and execute a First Amendment to Employment Agreement with Gregory Camp; incorporating said First Amendment to Employment Agreement as a part of this Ordinance; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4470 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Councilman Cook made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4470 for a second time by title only. Motion was seconded by Councilman Venz. Motion carried unanimously.

Bill No. 4470 (cont.)

Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4470 for the second time. Bill No. 4470 was then approved by the following votes: Ayes – Gray, Boyer, Tinnin, Wehner, Venz, Cook, Wilkey and Underwood; Nays – none. Mayor Cage declared Bill No. 4470 passed.

Bill No. 4471 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Authorizing the Mayor to enter into and execute a Contract with Reinhold Electric, Inc. for the Library LED Lighting Project; incorporating said Contract as a part of this Ordinance; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4471 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Greg Camp gave a staff report. Councilman Tinnin made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4471 for a second time by title only. Motion was seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Underwood, Wilkey, Boyer, Tinnin, Cook, Wehner, Gray and Venz; Nays – none. Mayor Cage declared Bill No. 4471 passed.

Bill No. 4472 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Levying and Authorizing the Assessment and Collection of a Tax for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 for Public Health Purposes, Public Library, General Revenue purposes and City Parks; and fixing the time for the taking effect of this Ordinance; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4472 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Councilman Cook made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4472 for a second time by title only. Motion was seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Underwood, Boyer, Tinnin, Wilkey, Cook, Wehner, Gray, Venz; Nays – none. Mayor Cage declared Bill No. 4472 passed.

Bill No. 4473 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; To establish a Procedure to Disclose Potential Conflicts of Interest and Substantial Interests for certain Municipal Officials. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4473 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Councilman Cook made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4473 for a second time by title only. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wehner. Motion was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Underwood, Boyer, Wilkey, Tinnin, Cook, Wehner, Gray and Venz; Nays – none. Mayor Cage declared Bill No. 4473 passed.

Bill No. 4474 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Granting an Anchor Easement to Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren, MO; as described in Exhibit A attached here; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4474 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Matt Clemens gave a staff report. Councilman Cook expressed concerns over the anchors being in Jokerst Park. Councilman Venz made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4474 for a second time by title only. Motion was seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion was denied by the following votes: Ayes – Underwood, Boyer, Tinnin, Wilkey, Wehner, Gray, Venz; Nays – Cook. Bill No. 4474 will be carried over for a second reading at the next meeting.

Bill No. 4475 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Amending the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Budget; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4475 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Pat Parsons gave a staff report. Bill No. 4475 will be carried over for a second reading at the next meeting.

Bill No. 4476 - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Adopting the Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4476 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Pat Parsons gave a staff report. Councilman Cook asked if the Sunset Tennis Court project came in under the \$300,000 budgeted if the money could be used to complete a new park department office with air conditioning. Larry Crites stated he estimates about \$11,000 for the office with air conditioning. Pat Parsons stated she would rather see the money come back to Council for approval once the Sunset project has been completed and costs are finalized. Greg Camp reminded Council also that the money for the Sunset project was coming out of reserve funds. Bill No. 4476 will be carried over for a second reading at the next meeting.

New Business - none

Old Business - none

Reports

City Administrator provided a written report which included the items listed below.

- Thanked Council for amending his employment agreement
- Met with Reps from MeYou Health regarding new wellness program for City employees – hoping to be in place by start of 2019
- Attended follow-up use tax meeting
- Met with Barb Lowry, Larry Crites and Dave Penning of Game 7 regarding tournaments in Festus in 2019
- Enabling resolution on agenda first step towards securing Chapter 100 bonds for the Hampton Inn development
- Very productive tennis meeting on August 30th
- Met with Mayor Cage and Curt Stueve/JPAD to discuss new legislation and how it affects Chapter 100 bonds for Hampton Inn development
- Met with Larry Wadsack and Brian Malone of Lashly & Baer
- Met with Lisa Rothweiler from Comtre
- Attended Board of Directors meeting for Missouri City Managers Assoc.
- Have been asked along with Jason Eisenbeis to speak at MCMA breakfast at the MML annual conference regarding our recent county-wide Use Tax initiative

Councilman Boyer – Stated he was glad to see the potholes on Main Street had been patched.

Councilman Wilkey – Stated that he had missed the meeting regarding the tennis court project at Sunset but that Greg Camp had filled him in on the details which was proposed four tennis courts with adequate ADA compliance, basketball courts and improved parking. Councilman Wilkey stated that he had spoken with several citizens who play basketball on the courts and they would like to see a three-point line painted on the court and have access to a water fountain. Councilman Wilkey stated that he had also spoken with other citizens who use the parks and they requested more sun shades over the playground areas and new horseshoe pits.

Councilman Venz – Asked Captain Wendel to look into the speeding situation in Alexander Heights when Festus High School lets out in the afternoon. Councilman Venz stated that he would not be in attendance at the next Council meeting unless he was needed for a quorum.

Councilman Wehner – Asked Captain Wendel to also look at the intersection of A and Collins regarding speeding and running red lights. Greg Camp and Doug Wendel both informed Council that the police department has been setting up special detail areas to catch speeders, etc. Congratulated Greg Camp on the amendment to his employment agreement and stated that should be a vote of confidence that the Council is supportive of him.

Councilman Gray – Asked Greg Camp if the Council could have another meeting to discuss the budget before it is passed. Greg stated that there was no meeting scheduled for next week as a majority of the Council would be attending the MML conference, but that he would be glad to sit down and discuss the budget with him along with Pat Parsons if he would like to come into the office.

Councilman Tinnin – Stated he was glad to see that the property nuisance on Orchard Lane had finally been cleaned up.

Fire Chief Cremer – Stated he would like to give a shout out to his department for creating a special day for Adeleigh, a young girl with cancer. The local newspaper did a story on the event and a lot of community support was given to the fire department for the wonderful thing they did. Mayor and Council also stated how proud they were of the fire department.

Public Works Supt. Matt Clemens – Stated his written report was on page 50 and that Jokerst was wrapping up the street overlays and will soon be starting on the Collins project.

Park Supt. Larry Crites – Stated there will be a very large cross country meet in West City Park on Saturday. Stated that the concert series in Sunset Park starts on Sunday and that the Traditional Music Festival will be held on September 22-23.

Mayor Cage asked Doug Wendel and Marcus Shepherd if they could contact the AD at Festus High School and make sure they have enough port-a-potties for Saturday.

Finance Director Pat Parsons – asked Council to contact her if they had any questions regarding the budget.

Mayor Cage – Reminded everyone of the Mayor's Car Cruise this Saturday and the Sunday concerts in Sunset Park.

CLOSED SESSION

Councilman Cook made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Missouri Law for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to RSMo. 610.021 (1) Legal. Motion seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried by the following votes: Ayes – Wilkey, Underwood, Boyer, Gray, Wehner, Venz, Cook and Tinnin; Nays – none.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Cook made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Boyer. On a call by the chair the motion carried unanimously.