

**MINUTES OF THE
BELTON CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 8, 2016
CITY HALL ANNEX, 520 MAIN STREET
BELTON, MISSOURI**

Mayor Davis called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Councilman Savage led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Jeff Davis, Councilmen Jeff Fletcher, Gary Lathrop, Bob Newell, Tim Savage, Chet Trutzel, Dean VanWinkle, and Scott Von Behren. Absent: Councilman Al Hoag. Also present: Ron Trivitt, City Manager; Megan McGuire, City Attorney; and Andrea Cunningham, Executive Secretary.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilman Savage moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of a motion **approving the minutes of the February 23, 2016, City Council regular meeting; a motion approving the City Attorney office renovation at a cost not to exceed \$25,298 and engaging J. E. Dunn as the project manager; a motion approving Resolution R2016-11: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY COUNCIL OF BELTON, MISSOURI TO REAPPOINT STEVEN DEERE AS A DIRECTOR OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI; a motion approving Resolution R2016-12: A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING BOBBY PERKINS, DAVID HARBER, AND J.W. BROWN TO THE BUILDING AND FIRE PREVENTION CODES BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT;** and a **motion approving the Belton Police Department to purchase a new storage device to be used to hold both in case and body worn camera videos.** Councilman Newell seconded. All present voted in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. Consent agenda approved.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES:

Scott Woodward with Family Tree Furniture, 402 Main Street, and Diane Huckshorn with the Belton Chamber of Commerce presented to the Council their idea of Junk in the Trunk. Harrisonville holds an event like this each month and Mr. Woodward would like to do the same. Vendors would set up their cars in the 300 and 400 blocks of Main Street from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on the 2nd Saturday to sell things from their trunks. There would also be live music and activities for kids. Mr. Woodward said each vendor will be required to pay a \$5 donation for a spot. The donation will go to the Chamber of Commerce to help with marketing and advertising. Mr. Woodward said he's talked with most of the store owners on the 300 and 400 blocks of Main Street and they are in favor of this. Councilman Savage was concerned that Mr. Woodward had not spoken to every owner on the 300 and 400 blocks of Main Street. Ms. Huckshorn said the merchants have been talking about this and are excited. Councilman Lathrop asked if insurance would be required. Mr. Woodward said each vendor will be required to sign saying they understand they are responsible for their own products and for collecting and remitting their own taxes, if applicable. Police Chief Person said they would not be assigning an officer to this event, but as the officers are on patrol they will know an event is taking place. The consensus of the Council was to approve a street closure of the 300 and 400 blocks of Main Street from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. on April 9, May 14, June 11, July 9, August 13, and October 8, 2016. (It was noted that the Fall Festival is September 10, so that date was removed from the original request.)

ORDINANCES:

Andrea Cunningham, Executive Secretary, gave the final reading of Bill No. 2016-13: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2017 CITY BUDGET, AS REVISED, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FROM THE REVENUES OF THE CITY.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilman Von Behren. The Council was polled and the following vote recorded; Ayes: 8, Councilmen Trutzel, Von Behren, Mayor Davis, Councilmen Lathrop, Fletcher, Newell, VanWinkle, and Savage; Noes: None; Absent: 1, Councilman Hoag. Bill No. 2016-13 was declared passed and in full force and effect as Ordinance No. 2016-4180, subject to Mayoral veto.

Councilman Lathrop moved to amend Bill No. 2016-14: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS: 42-36, RATES INSIDE THE CITY; 42-38, WATER RATES FOR APPROVED WATER DISTRICTS OR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; 42-39, RATES FOR WATER CONSUMED OUTSIDE CITY; 42-296, SEWER SYSTEM USER RATES; OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI.** Councilman Von Behren seconded. Sheila Erzen, Finance Director, was not at the meeting to review the changes prompting the amendment. There was considerable council discussion and debate. There were concerns about passing on the entire KC water rate increase to the user, but also concerns about using the City's reserves toward capital improvements. Jeff Fisher, Public Works Director, said we have projects that need to be completed. If we aren't careful, we'll deplete our reserves. After discussion, the Council was not in favor of passing the amendment. **Councilman Savage moved to postpone the amendment and final reading until the March 22, 2016 regular Council meeting.** Councilman Von Behren seconded. All present voted in favor of postponement of Bill No. 2016-14. Motion to postpone carried. Councilman Hoag absent.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2016-15: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE IV – ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, DIVISION 4 – CITY PROPERTY, SECTION 2-992 – DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY IN FEE TO THIRD PARTIES.** Presented by Councilman Von Behren, seconded by Councilman Trutzel. The Council was polled and the following vote recorded; Ayes: 8, Mayor Davis, Councilmen Savage, Newell, Von Behren, Fletcher, Lathrop, Trutzel, and VanWinkle; Noes: None; Absent: 1, Councilman Hoag. Bill No. 2016-15 was declared passed and in full force and effect as Ordinance No. 2016-4181, subject to Mayoral veto.

The contract language in Bills No. 2016-16, 2016-17, 2016-18, 2016-19, 2016-20, 2016-21, 2016-22, and 2016-23 is currently being reviewed and/or negotiated. A motion to postpone until March 22, 2016, is necessary. Councilman Lathrop moved to postpone Bill No. 2016-16: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL / CAS, LLC; Bill No. 2016-17: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH CDM SMITH, INC; Bill No. 2016-18: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HG CONSULT, INC; Bill No. 2016-19: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL**

SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH KRUGER TECHNOLOGIES, INC; Bill No. 2016-20: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH OLSSON ASSOCIATES, INC; Bill No. 2016-21: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TERRACON CONSULTANTS, INC; Bill No. 2016-22: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TRANSYSTEMS CORPORATION; Bill No. 2016-23: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN ON-CALL ENGINEERING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TREKK DESIGN GROUP, LLC. Councilman Fletcher seconded. All present voted in favor of postponement of Bill No. 2016-16, 2016-17, 2016-18, 2016-19, 2016-20, 2016-21, 2016-22, and 2016-23. Councilman Hoag absent. Motion to postpone carried.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-24: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 WITH TERRY SNELLING CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR THE 2015 STREET PRESERVATION PROJECT / CONCRETE REPLACEMENT INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT BY \$450,000.00.** Presented by Councilman Savage, seconded by Councilman Lathrop. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-25: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A COST SHARING AGREEMENT WITH MID-AMERICA REGIONAL COUNCIL (MARC) FOR THE KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN REGIONAL AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilman Von Behren. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-26: **AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A REPAIR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH WEATHERPROOFING TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR ROOF REPAIRS TO THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT BUILDING IN A NOT-TO-EXCEED AMOUNT OF \$6,328.54.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilman Fletcher. Councilman Trutzel asked if this is a flat roof. Mr. Fisher said yes, but it's rubberized which has helped. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-27: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF BELTON EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2017.** Presented by Councilman Newell, seconded by Councilman Fletcher. Councilman Savage said this increase may be too much, but the city is growing and the Mayor should be compensated for what he does. Councilmen Newell and Von Behren voiced that this amount seems fair for the effort put in. It was noted that is not a raise for the current Mayor. It will go into effect for the next Mayor. Councilman Savage said the Mayor is paying for his own cell phone. With the next Mayor, he would like the issue of the cell phone to come before the Council. Councilman Lathrop moved to amend the Mayor's salary per Bill No. 2016-27 to \$800 per month instead of \$1,400 per month. This motion failed for lack of second. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-28: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR THE COUNCILMAN POSITION OF THE CITY OF BELTON EFFECTIVE APRIL 1, 2018.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilman Lathrop. Councilman Trutzel said the City Council hasn't had a raise in 12 years. Councilman Lathrop agreed that it's been a long time. It was noted that is not a raise for the current Councilmen. It will go into effect in 2018. Councilmen Von Behren and Fletcher voiced their opposition to the increase. Vote on the first reading was recorded; Ayes: 6, Mayor Davis, Councilmen Lathrop, Savage, Trutzel, VanWinkle, Newell; Noes: 2, Councilmen Fletcher and Von Behren; Absent: 1, Councilman Hoag. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-29: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BELTON, MISSOURI TO APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH KENTON BROTHERS LOCKSMITH, INC. TO UPGRADE THE DOOR SCAN ACCESS SECURITY LOCKS FOR FIRE STATION #1 AND FIRE STATION #2.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilman Lathrop. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham read Bill No. 2016-30: **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RE-APPROPRIATION & REVISION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 ADOPTED CITY BUDGET TO REFLECT A CONTRACT WITH KENTON BROTHERS LOCKSMITH, INC. TO UPGRADE THE DOOR SCAN ACCESS SECURITY LOCKS FOR FIRE STATION #1 AND FIRE STATION #2.** Presented by Councilman Lathrop, seconded by Councilman Trutzel. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. First reading passed.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:

The Belton High School girl's basketball team is playing tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. against William Chrisman High School in the district finals. It will be at the Independence Event Center.

Councilman Fletcher reported that the Cass County job fair will be April 9 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Belton Middle School.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Councilman Trutzel asked Fire Chief Norman Larkey if the fire department had bullet proof vests. Chief Larkey said no. Chief Larkey said if the EMTs are going into a situation with the police department, there could be some risk. But if the situation is volatile, the fire department will usually pull back until it's safe.

Councilman Von Behren asked if there's going to be a Citizen's Appreciation Fair this year. Mr. Fisher said yes, they are working on a date.

At 8:05 p.m., Councilman Von Behren moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Legal Actions, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.1, and matters pertaining to preparation, including any discussion or work product, on behalf of a public governmental body or its representatives for negotiations with employee groups according to Missouri Statute 610.021.9 and that the record be closed. Councilman Trutzel seconded. The following vote was recorded: Ayes: 8, Mayor Davis, Councilmen Savage, Newell, Von Behren, Fletcher, Lathrop, Trutzel, and VanWinkle; Noes: None; Absent: 1, Councilman Hoag.

The Council returned from executive session at 9:08 p.m.

Being no further business, Councilman Lathrop moved to adjourn. Councilman Newell seconded. All present voted in favor. Councilman Hoag absent. Meeting adjourned.

Andrea Cunningham, Executive Secretary

Jeff Davis, Mayor