

CITY COUNCIL
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

March 23, 2014

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in city hall at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Loren Graham presiding and opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following council members answered roll call: Nathan Miller, Andrew Salsman, Josh Smith, Pam Behring, Ken Sheputis and Jeff Merkel. Also present was Lynn Smith, Eddie Bogue, Brent Abell, Tom Lockett, Mark Cheffey, Trevor McDonald and Ed Husar.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Smith to approve the consent agenda as presented. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

- a. Approval of the March 9th minutes
- b. Bills for Approval
- c. Financial Report – February.

A motion was made by Council Member Merkel and seconded by Council Member Miller to transfer \$75,000.00 from the General & Street Fund to Well Park Fund this fiscal year to assist the park in the repair of Well Lake. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Graham reported on a meeting held with Judge John Jackson concerning the upcoming changes to municipal court. The consensus of the council is to move forward with hiring a municipal court clerk but wait to advertise the position until after the election.

A discussion was held concerning the proposed solid waste collection bid packet. Revisions were suggested. Once the revisions have been made, the service will be advertised for bids.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Salsman to authorize Chief Eddie Bogue, after confirming the server can be bought on state bid, to purchase and install a server for the police station and purchase an in car camera and spend up to \$11,500.00 out of the Law Enforcement Fund. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Superintendent Brent Abell reported the line build for the west circuit should be complete by mid-April. Abell advised the upgrade to the north circuit will cost a maximum of \$703,000.00. Abell stated he, the engineer and contractor are looking at ways to cut cost.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Smith to authorize the Board of Public Works to purchase off state bid a Ford F150 crew cab from Lovegreen Motor Company in the sum of \$30,297.00. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller, Salsman, Smith, Behring, Sheputis and Merkel. Nays: None. The motion carried.

Mayor Graham advised the council that he had asked Superintendent Abell to look into the cost of a motorized gate for the water plant for security reasons.

Mayor Graham reported the US Highway 36-Interstate 72 Corridor Transportation Development District has been able to pay down the debt for construction of the four lane highway from Hannibal to Macon early. The debt will be paid in full as of July 31, 2017 and the ½ cent sales tax will cease.

The April council meetings will be held on the 13th and 20th.

With no further business before the council a motion to adjourn was made at 7:46 p.m.

Loren L. Graham, Mayor

Deena L. Parsons, MRCC
City Clerk