

CITY COUNCIL
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

October 19, 2017

The Palmyra City Council met in city hall on the above date 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: Pam Behring, Ken Sheputis, Jeff Merkel, Nathan Miller, Andrew Salsman and Josh Smith. Also present was Lynn Smith, Eddie Bogue, Chuck Anderson, Mark Cheffey, Trevor McDonald and Chase Hickman.

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

- a. Approval of the October 5th minutes
- b. Bills for Approval
- c. Financial Report – September.

City Attorney Chase Hickman advised of a conversation he had with Shannon Creighton of Gilmore & Bell concerning the proposed ordinance language for the increase in the capital improvement sales tax and implementing a transportation sales tax. The ballot language stated in the capital improvement sales tax ordinance will be amended. Both bills will be placed on the agenda for the next council meeting for first reading.

A draft of a Real Estate Lease between the City of Palmyra and the Palmyra Fire Protection District was handed out.

City Attorney Hickman provided the first reading of Bill #1559 entitled "AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF THE RIGHT-OF-WAY OF DICKERSON STREET LOCATED IN DICKERSON ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PALMYRA, MARION COUNTY, MISSOURI."

City Attorney Hickman provided the first reading of Bill #1560 entitled "AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 200.100 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL COURT."

City Attorney Hickman provided the first reading of Bill #1561 entitled "AN ORDINANCE ENACTING NEW SECTION 200.115 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PALMYRA, MISSOURI, PERTAINING TO MUNICIPAL COURT IN REGARD TO MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS AND MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS."

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Miller to accept Webster Windows & Remodeling bid of \$1,635.45 to repair windows and metal flashing to the old police station behind city hall. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Behring, Sheputis, Merkel, Miller, Salsman and Smith. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Miller to accept the bids by McClain Consulting in the sum of \$6,678.00 for the installation of a server at city hall and the bid by United Systems in the sum of \$6,060.21 to clean up the cabling in city hall plus purchase a \$200.00 networking switch for a total sum of \$12,938.21. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Behring, Sheputis, Merkel, Miller, Salsman and Smith. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Sheputis and seconded by Council Member Smith to accept the bid by American Glass in the sum of \$725.00 to rework the existing door for the new court clerk office along with replacing two obscure glass panels with clear glass. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Behring, Sheputis, Merkel, Miller, Salsman and Smith. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Behring to accept the bank bid submitted by United State Bank for 36 months. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Behring, Sheputis, Merkel, Miller, Salsman and Smith. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Smith to transfer \$27,176.55 from the General Fund to the Well Fund to pay the final expenses for the Well Lake repair. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Behring, Sheputis, Merkel, Miller, Salsman and Smith. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The council authorized City Attorney Hickman to mail the letter to MoDOT concerning the repairs on the stone arch culvert on North Main.

City Attorney Hickman advised he had reviewed an article from the Department of Justice and HUD concerning group homes. It was Hickman's recommendation for the council not to limit the number of group homes within the city limits. He advised to regulate the density of group homes is in violation of Federal law. The city needs to be cautious.

Mayor Graham reported on a meeting for the 2019 Bicentennial Celebration. A chairperson and treasurer was elected. The group plans to have monthly meetings to prepare for this event.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller and seconded by Council Member Salsman to enter into closed session for real estate. The roll call vote was as follows: Behring-real estate; Sheputis-real estate; Merkel-real estate; Miller-real estate; Salsman-real estate; and Smith-real estate. Nays: none. The motion carried. The visitors exited the meeting and the council entered into closed session at 7:30 p.m.

Following a motion during closed session to adjourn and enter back into open session, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:01 p.m.

Loren L. Graham, Mayor

Deena L. Parsons, MRCC
City Clerk