

Trenton, Missouri
January 23, 2023

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, January 23, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Linda Crooks; Council members Glen Briggs, Danny Brewer, Marvin Humphreys, Robert Romesburg, David Mlika, Duan Urich and John Dolan-via audio conferencing; City Attorney, Tara Walker; City Administrator, Ron Urton; Police Chief, Rex Ross and City Clerk, Cindy Simpson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER

At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A prayer followed the pledge.

APPOINTMENT

Mayor Crooks said she would like to appoint William Fisher to the 1st ward councilman's position. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to accept the Mayor's appointment of William Fisher to the 1st ward councilman's position. Motion carried.

City Clerk Simpson gave the oath of office to Mr. Fisher.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that the minutes of January 9, 2023, be approved. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that all duly obligated bills for the city be paid. Motion carried.

REPORTS

City Administrator Urton discussed his report. He also explained the net metering report. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Brewer to accept the net metering report that was presented. Motion carried.

City Administrator Urton discussed the winter storms of Uri-February 2021 and Elliot-December 2022.

City Administrator presented the 2023 overlay program for the council to look over.

City Police department received a 100% grant for coats and vests for the officers.

BILL NO. 3

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that Bill No. 3 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI APPROVING A GRANT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AND THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE STATE BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE WITH OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE COSTS, IN THE CITY OF TRENTON AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE THE SAME BY AND ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that Bill No. 3 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 3 was made available for public inspection prior to this meeting by being posted at city hall on January 20, 2023. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Fisher, Briggs, Brewer, Humphreys, Romesburg, Mlika, Urich and Dolan. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2023-3, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 4

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that Bill No. 4 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI APPROVING A LIGHTING MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION OUTLINING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES IN RELATION TO LIGHTING ALONG MISSOURI HIGHWAY 6, IN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND TO EXECUTE THE SAME BY AND ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that Bill No. 4 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 4 was made available for public inspection prior to this meeting by being posted at city hall on January 20, 2023. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Briggs, Brewer, Humphreys, Romesburg, Mlika, Urich, Dolan and Fisher. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2023-4, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning the reappointments to the Convention and Visitors Board. Jordan Ferguson said Jim Norris was voted to replace Megan Pester. Since then, Jim rescinded his acceptance to CVB board so Megan is still on the board.

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Motion by Councilmember Humphreys second by Councilmember Brewer to change the ordinance saying the vacancies and appointments are done by the city council. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brewer, Humphreys and Urich. Naye: Romesburg, Mlika, Dolan, Fisher and Briggs. The motion failed to pass.

City Administrator Urton said the city received a letter from Lathrop GPM stating the attorney we had used in the past, David Shorr has passed away. They are recommending Grant Harse to take over if we need an attorney. We had used David Shorr for the water supply contamination. City Administrator Urton said we currently do not need help but if something comes up we will have someone to hire.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Brewer that if we need someone for water supply contamination that we use Grant Harse with Lathrop GPM. Motion carried.

After more discussion concerning the CVB board motion by Councilmember Romesburg second by Councilmember Brewer that the council appoints Megan Pester to be reappointed to the CVB board. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Humphrey, Romesburg, Urich, Briggs and Brewer. Naye: Mlika, Dolan, and Fisher.

Discussion was held concerning the USDA soil sampling behind the fire station. City Administrator Urton said they have done this before but want to take more samples.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Romesburg to have City Administrator Urton sign the papers for more soil sampling behind the fire station. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Mlika meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Crooks
Mayor

Cindy Simpson
City Clerk