

Trenton, Missouri
April 14, 2025

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, April 14, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Jackie Soptic; Council members William Fisher, Glen Briggs, Calvin Brown, Marvin Humphreys, Angela Brill-Ely, David Mlika, Duane Urich and John Dolan (via zoom); City Attorney Kenton Kinney; City Administrator Ron Urton; Police Lt. Larry Smith; City Clerk Cindy Simpson and Assistant City Clerk Anita Ewing.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that the minutes of March 24, 2025, be approved. Motion carried.

BILLS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fire Chief Brandon Gibler recognized three high school seniors who have been a part of the cadet firefighter program. Christy Gibler is the coordinator of the program.

Mayor Soptic recognized the NCMC Pirate and Lady Pirate basketball teams, along with coaches Jeremy Esry and Jenni Croy, for their achievements during the 2024-25 season.

REPORTS

Councilmember Mlika mentioned he had had a request from the college for the city to partner with them to put in a sidewalk behind the museum. Mayor Soptic made the recommendation to have City Administrator Urton and Code Enforcement Officer Barone meet with the college to see what they are needing.

Councilmember Humphreys reported on the recent Convention and Visitors Bureau meeting. He said they are keeping the website up to date, working with City Administrator Urton on the wayfinding signs, and working to establish mini grants.

Councilmember Briggs reported he met recently with City Administrator Urton and Mayor Soptic about possible funding opportunities. He also thanked MoDOT for painting the lines at the 9th & Main stop light.

City Administrator Urton reported that all operations were running smoothly.

Mayor Soptic mentioned a residential collection event to be held in Carroll County. She said she is working on getting one similar set up for Grundy County in the fall.

BILL NO. 15

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 15 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2025 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2026 WITH SAID BUDGET FIXING EMPLOYEE AND OFFICER POSITIONS AND COMPENSATION FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR FOR THE SAME AND AUTHORIZING EQUIPMENT PURCHASES, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 15 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 15 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Dolan, Fisher, Briggs, Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika and Urich. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-15, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 16

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 16 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR TRENTON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES, FOR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2025 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2026 WITH SAID BUDGET FIXING EMPLOYEE AND OFFICER POSITIONS AND COMPENSATION FOR SAID FISCAL YEAR FOR THE SAME AND AUTHORIZING EQUIPMENT PURCHASES, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 16 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 16 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brill-Ely, Mlika, Urich, Dolan, Fisher, Briggs, Brown and Humphreys. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-16, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 17

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 17 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PROPOSAL BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND GILMORE & BELL FOR DISCLOSURE COMPLIANCE SERVICES 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 Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 17 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on.

Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 17 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Mlika, Urich, Dolan, Fisher, Briggs, Brown, Humphreys and Brill-Ely. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-17, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 18

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 18 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PROPOSAL BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND M&M UTILITIES LLC FOR SEWER MAIN REPLACEMENT SERVICES 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 Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 18 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 18 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Urich, Dolan, Fisher, Briggs, Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely and Mlika. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-18, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 19

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 19 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PROPOSAL BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND M&M UTILITIES LLC FOR SERVICES FOR THE 2025 WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROJECT 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 Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 19 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 19 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Dolan, Fisher, Briggs, Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika and Urich. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-19, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 20

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 20 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO ANITA BLAKE TO ALLOW FOR A CONVERSION OF

THE HOME TO A 3-MULTI-FAMILY APARTMENTS AND TO HAVE AN OFFICE SPACE LOCATED ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 412 EAST 9TH STREET, TRENTON, MISSOURI 64683, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich that Bill No. 20 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 20 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Fisher, Briggs, Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Ulrich and Dolan. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-20, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 21

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich that Bill No. 21 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO WILLIAM SCHOLL TO ALLOW FOR A PERMIT TO BUILD A 60' X 100' BUILDING FOR A GYM/SPA FACILITY ON THE NORTH SIDE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1001 EAST 9TH STREET IN TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich that Bill No. 21 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 21 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Briggs, Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Ulrich, Dolan and Fisher. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-21, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 22

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich that Bill No. 22 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 220. NUISANCES, ARTICLE II. WEEDS, HIGH GRASS OR OTHER VEGETATION, SECTION 220.020. DEBRIS ON PROPERTY — EFFECT OF FAILURE TO REMOVE NUISANCE — PENALTIES., TO AMEND EXISTING LANGUAGE OF THE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Ulrich that Bill No. 22 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 22 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brown, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Ulrich, Dolan, Fisher and Briggs. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-22, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 23

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 23 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY CHAPTER 220. NUISANCES, ARTICLE II. WEEDS, HIGH GRASS OR OTHER VEGETATION, SECTION 220.030. HAY PERMITS., TO AMEND EXISTING LANGUAGE OF THE ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 23 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 23 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Urich, Dolan, Fisher, Briggs and Brown. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-23, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

BILL NO. 24

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 24 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY ADDING CHAPTER 220. NUISANCES, ARTICLE II. WEEDS, HIGH GRASS OR OTHER VEGETATION, SECTION 220.025. POLLINATOR PLOTS, WILDFLOWER PLOTS, FLOWER GARDENS., TO THE EXISTING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Urich that Bill No. 24 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 24 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on April 11, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Urich and Humphreys. Nays: Brill-Ely, Mlika, Dolan, Fisher, Briggs and Brown. Said bill failed to pass.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held on mowing bids received for the 2025 mowing season. Code Enforcement Officer Barone said there were five bids received. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to accept the bid from Lawn Legends-Thane Denney of \$170.00 per mowing for the cemetery and \$200.00 per mowing for the city lots. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the emergency nuisance abatement bids received for the 2025 year. Code Enforcement Officer Barone said there were two bids received:

Bond Yard Service – \$50 per hour for total job, including tall grass, weed eating and cutting, removing brush.

Page -6-
April 14, 2025

Lawn Legends-Thane Denney – tall grass, \$75 per hour; weed eating, etc, \$55 per hour; cutting, removing brush - \$55 per hour.

Motion by Councilmember Brown second by Councilmember Mlika to accept both bids as received. Motion carried, with Councilmember Briggs voting no.

Motion by Councilmember Brown second by Councilmember Mlika meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic
Mayor

Anita J. Ewing
Assistant City Clerk