Trenton, Missouri August 11, 2025

The Mayor and City Council met in open session, Monday, August 11, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at city hall. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Jackie Soptic; Council members Anna Ferguson, Glen Briggs, Marvin Humphreys, Angela Brill-Ely, David Mlika and Bart Thomas; City Attorney Kenton Kinney; Police Lt. Larry Smith; City Clerk Cindy Simpson; and Assistant City Clerk Anita Ewing. Absent: Council members Lindsay Stevens and Duane Urich.

#### MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that the minutes of July 28, 2025, be approved. Motion carried.

## **BILLS**

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

# PUBLIC COMMENT

Luke Vale, executive director of Main Street Trenton, mentioned a Wine & Beer Walk to be held October 11. He also handed out partnership information to council members.

#### REPORTS

Councilmember Mlika mentioned he had spoken to Mary Brown and she questioned if there were any decisions on what to do about the water in her yard. Discussion was held with no decisions made.

Councilmember Thomas praised the street department for taking care of a problem area behind Dunkins Furniture and Liquidation in a very timely manner.

City Clerk Cindy Simpson said she has been working on the bid request for the pod we have received a grant for that will be placed at the street department for collections.

# **RESOLUTION NO. 4**

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Resolution No. 4 be introduced, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF GRAND RIVER APARTMENTS, LP TO OBTAIN FINANCING THROUGH THE MISSOURI HOUSING DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR THE REHABILITATION OF 40 UNITS OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by

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Councilmember Mlika that Resolution No. 4 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Resolution No. 4 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on August 8, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Ferguson. Nayes: Thomas, Briggs, Humphreys, Brill-Ely and Mlika. Absent: Stevens and Urich. Said resolution failed to pass.

# BILL NO. 39

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 39 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE, SPECIFICALLY TABLE VII-A ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS" OF SCHEDULE VII ENTITLED "SPEED LIMITS" OF TITLE III ENTITLED "TRAFFIC CODE", TO INCLUDE LANGUAGE TO REDUCE THE SPEED LIMIT OF OKLAHOMA AVENUE FROM 28TH STREET TO NORTH CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY CODE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 39 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 39 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on August 8, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Ferguson, Briggs, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika and Thomas. Absent: Stevens and Urich. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-39, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

#### BILL NO. 40

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 40 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, APPROVING A PROPOSAL BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI, AND HOWE COMPANY, LLC FOR A CHANGE ORDER TO 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 Mlika that Bill No. 40 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 40 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on August 8, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Briggs, Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Thomas and Ferguson. Absent: Stevens and Urich. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-40, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

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### BILL NO. 41

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 41 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 THE MISSOURI HIGHWAY 6 SIDEWALK PROJECT (TAP-6100(204) 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 Mlika that Bill No. 41 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 41 was made available for public inspection by being posted at City Hall on August 8, 2025. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Thomas, Ferguson and Briggs. Absent: Stevens and Urich. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2025-41, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the assistant city clerk.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Soptic recommended the appointment of Dillon Harp to the Park Board. She said Beth Mack was not interested in serving another term. Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Briggs to accept the appointment of Dillon Harp to the Park Board. Motion carried.

Discussion was held concerning a dump truck for the street department. Street Department Supervisor Gary Dryer was in attendance and made the request to purchase a used 2003 International dump truck for \$42,000, which is less than the amount budgeted. He said they would be going to look at it Wednesday, August 13 and would like to take the check with them to be able to purchase if they chose to get it. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to approve allowing Street Department Supervisor Dryer to look at a 2003 International dump truck and purchase if he deemed so. Motion carried.

Street Department Supervisor Dryer also mentioned that Hostetler's had an extra 2,000 ton of rock crushed and wanted to know if the street department would want to purchase it. He mentioned it would help, as they were running low. Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Briggs to approve the purchase of an extra 2,000 ton of rock from Hostetler's. Motion carried.

Councilmember Briggs asked if the street department would need extra sand to go along with the rock and Dryer said that they would. Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to approve the purchase of necessary sand to go with the extra rock purchase. Motion carried.

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Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Briggs to adjourn at 7:32 p.m. to closed session for legal, real estate and personnel in accordance with RSMO. 610.021 (1), (2), (3). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Humphreys, Brill-Ely, Mlika, Thomas, Ferguson and Briggs. Absent: Stevens and Urich.

Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Motion by Councilmember Ferguson second by Councilmember Mlika meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jackie Soptic Mayor

Anita J. Ewing Assistant City Clerk