

**MINUTES OF THE  
STE. GENEVIEVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
Thursday - May 12, 2016**

**CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Greminger called the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 5:30 and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL.** A roll call by City Clerk Pam Meyer showed the following members present:

Mayor Richard Greminger

Alderman Tom Couch

Alderman Mike Jokerst

Alderman Joe Prince

Alderman Randy Ruzicka

Alderman John Stuppy

Alderman Donnie Stuppy (arriving at 5:35 p.m.)

Absent: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell

Alderman Rick Huck

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA.** A motion by Alderman Ruzicka, second by Alderman J. Stuppy to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried 5-0-3 with Alderman D. Stuppy, Alderman Huck and Alderwoman Caldwell absent.

**PRESENTATION/AWARDS.** None.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCES.** None.

Alderman D. Stuppy arriving. (5:35 p.m.)

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR REPORT.** (See Attached Report) Mr. Toma, presented the Mayor and Board with an analysis on a general obligation bond impact. With the conditions of some of the streets in town the Board asked Mr. Toma to put some figures together just to see what it would take in terms of a bond. The City is currently using less than half of the twelve million debt ceiling prescribed by the state. Based on some calculations after obtaining information from the County Assessor, on a fifteen year term bond, one million dollars would affect the

city residential tax payer approximately \$29.00 a year increase in taxes, two million approximately \$57.00 and with the three million approximately \$86.00. After more discussion and comments from the board members it was decided to have a work session to discuss what can be done for what amount of money and come up with a plan of particular projects as well.

#### STAFF REPORTS

Dave Pinkley - Field Operations Supervisor ( See Attached Report)

Eric Bennett – Police Chief (See Attached Report)

**COMMITTEE REPORTS.** Alderman Ruzicka reported that he had been contacted during the recent heavy rains regarding the drainage ditch along M road near the Ste. Genevieve Square Apartments being clogged up and was causing the water to run off of the opposite side of the road causing concern for those residents. After contact with City Hall, MODOT was contacted and the issue was resolved in a very timely manner and Alderman Ruzicka wanted to thank all involved for getting this matter taken care.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS.

**Wayne Parmer, 93 N. Ninth** addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen with his concerns of about speeding car on Ninth Street. Mr. Parmer told the Board that recently two small children were almost hit by people driving too fast. Mr. Parmer said it starts at the intersection of Ninth and Ridgeway and it is individuals of all ages. Mr. Parmer suggested the possibility of installing a stop sign at Jefferson and Ninth Streets. Chief Bennett said the street is a major route to and from school and some of the speeders may be students. This is not the only complaint received but it is hard to set up radar on this street because the street is very narrow. The sheriff's department has been contacted and Chief Benett is looking into the possibility of putting up a speed trailer that would display the speed when cars pass by which will make people aware of their speed.

**Sam Ewing, 28 S. Main Street** addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen stating he had recently put an addition on his home and worked with Carla Bullock, Community Development Administrator and commended her on her customer service and communication style.

**Bob Mueller, 163 Merchant Street** addressed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen regarding the negativity surrounding the Heritage Commission in the last couple months. Mr. Mueller said the Heritage Commission's guidelines were developed and voted on and public meetings were

held on these adopted guidelines. The Commissioners on this Board are volunteers and do not deserve to be called names. Mr. Mueller said that data he collected from the last 11 years from decisions made by the former landmarks commission shows that out of 365 decisions, 345 of them were approved with modifications and 15 denied which is only a 4% denial rate.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Election of President of Board of Aldermen** – Suggestion by Mayor to wait until there is a full board present to elect a President of the Board. All were in agreement.

**Minutes – Board of Aldermen – Regular Meeting – April 28, 2016.** A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman D. Stuppy to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen from April 28, 2016. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent.

**RESOLUTION 2016-19. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR A LOAN FROM THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, DIVISION OF ENERGY IN AN AMOUNT NO TO EXCEED \$130,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPLACING CITY STREET LIGHTS WITH LED FIXTURES AND TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE LOAN.** A motion by Alderman Ruzicka, second by Alderman Prince to approve Resolution 2016-19 allowing city staff to apply for a loan with the Missouri Department of Economic Development. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent.

## **OLD BUSINESS.**

**BILL NO. 4101. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF A 2016 GMC SIERRA 3500 HD 4WD REGULAR CAB FROM LOU FUSZ, ST. LOUIS MISSOURI IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$26,186.00 FOR THE WATER & SEWER DEPARTMENT. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING. (Tabled at last meeting)** Alderman Couch made a motion to take Bill No. 4101 off the table. Died for lack of second.

## **NEW BUSINESS.**

**BILL NO. 4102. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM METRO-AG, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL AND LAND UTILIZATION OF RESIDUALS FROM THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT. 1<sup>ST</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Prince, second by

Alderman D. Stuppy, Bill No. 4102 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with an 6-0-2 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Ruzicka to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 4102. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent. Motion by Alderman D. Stuppy, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4102 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Randy Ruzicka Alderman Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell and Alderman Richard Huck, Motion carried 6-0-2. Thereupon Bill No. 4102 was declared Ordinance No. 4038 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

**BILL NO. 4103. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI ACCEPTING A PROPOSAL FROM METRO-AG, INC. AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE REMOVAL AND LAND UTILIZATION OF LIME RESIDUALS FROM THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. 1<sup>st</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Prince , second by Alderman Jokerst, Bill No. 4103 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with an 6-0-2 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent. A motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman J. Stuppy to proceed with the second and final reading of Bill No. 4103. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent. Motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Jokerst, Bill No. 4103 was placed on its second and final reading, read by title only, considered and passed by a roll call vote as follows: Ayes: Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Randy Ruzicka Alderman Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell and Alderman Richard Huck, Motion carried 6-0-2. Thereupon Bill No. 4103 was declared Ordinance No. 4039 signed by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

**BILL NO. 4104. AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STE. GENEVIEVE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND THE CITY OF STE. GENEVIEVE, MISSOURI. 1<sup>st</sup> READING.** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince, Bill No. 4104 was placed on its first reading, read by title only, considered and passed with a 6-0-2 vote of the Board of Aldermen with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent.

**OTHER BUSINESS.** None.

**EXECUTIVE/CLOSED SESSION.** A motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Ruzicka to enter into closed session to discuss personnel matters as authorized by Section 610.021(3), RSMO. Motion carried with the following roll call vote: Ayes: Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Randy Ruzicka Alderman Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell and Alderman Richard Huck, Motion carried 6-0-2. **6:37 p.m.** Motion by Alderman Jokerst, second by Alderman Prince to come out of closed session, motion carried 6-0-2 with the following roll call vote Ayes: Alderman Mike Jokerst, Alderman Joe Prince, Alderman Randy Ruzicka Alderman Tom Couch, Alderman John Stuppy and Alderman Donald Stuppy. Nays: None Absent: Alderwoman Beth Caldwell and Alderman Richard Huck, Motion carried 6-0-2. **7:25 p.m.**

**ADJOURNMENT.** Motion by Alderman Prince, second by Alderman Ruzicka to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 6-0-2 with Alderwoman Caldwell and Alderman Huck absent. 7:26 p.m.

**Respectfully co-submitted by,**

**Pam Meyer City Clerk and Martin Toma City Administrator**