CITY COUNCIL MINUTES JANUARY 16, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette, Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Vincent Lutterbie; Council Members John Allen, Phil Perkins, Drew Green, Nathan Swisher, Charles Guthrey, Dan Brandt and Steve Cook; City Counselor Don Stouffer, City Administrator JD Kehrman and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member Craig Thompson excused absent.

Council Member Green made a motion, seconded by Perkins, to adopt the agenda. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor; Thompson excused absent. Motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Guthrey, to approve Regular Session Minutes of January 2, 2024. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor, Thompson excused absent. Motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Brian Crigger, resident of Marshall, asked about removal of vegetation from a creek that runs in the Placida and Englewood area.

Mayor Lutterbie explained an arm mower has been ordered but has not been received yet.

Crystal Noamesi, resident of Marshall, said there have been public allegations made about the Chief of Police. She asked what the process is for reporting issues with the Chief of Police and what the process is for replacing the Chief of Police.

Heather Troth, resident of Marshall, expressed her concerns regarding trust issues the Community has with the City Council after the recent decision regarding the Saline Animal League. She asked for transparency and open communication.

Tracey Goodheart, resident of Marshall, said she would like to echo Heather's statement. She said there is no accountability for the Police Department.

Christy Thorp spoke about accountability and transparency. She asked where she could locate past agendas and minutes of the City Council. She asked Council whose terms expire in 2024 and where she could locate Department Head job descriptions and how to apply for Department Head positions.

Mayor Lutterbie said a receipt has been received by the City for some lease-hold improvements at the shelter. The Saline Animal League has offered to sell those improvements to the City at cost. Council will consider that reimbursement at the next meeting.

Jennifer Lappin, resident, spoke favorably of the Saline Animal League and asked what the City plans to do without the help of the Saline Animal League.

Mayor Lutterbie spoke about a personal situation involving his pet.

Crystal Noamesi, resident of Marshall, said she would like to echo Heather's statement and said the lack of trust is hurting this community. She said no explanation has been given regarding the Saline Animal League being removed. Please figure a way to resolve this and give an explanation.

Heather Troth asked how this decision is in the best interest of this community. She asked several questions regarding the decision making process.

At 6:40 p.m. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to take a five minute recess. A roll call vote was taken with Allen, Perkins, Green, Swisher, Guthrey, Brandt and Cook voting aye; Thompson excused absent. Motion carried.

Council reconvened at 6:45 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor Vincent Lutterbie; Council Members John Allen, Phil Perkins, Drew Green, Nathan Swisher, Charles Guthrey, Dan Brandt and Steve Cook; Craig Thompson excused absent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

No report.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Brandt said the Municipal Services Committee met on January 3rd to discuss the bid process for the street program and the airport fee and tie down ordinance. The Committee will set another meeting soon to discuss the 2024 slurry seal/mill and overlay proposal.

Council Member Green discussed funding the 2024 street program and said there should be money set aside for the streets that were not completed in last year's program.

Council Member Brandt asked Council Members to review the proposed program and said he would like to put out a bid request soon.

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Green said he will look into the budget numbers relating to street work.

Budget numbers are on target for the first quarter with expenditures at \$3.9 million and revenue at \$3.4 million.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

Council Member Cook gave the Annual Inspection Department report for 2023

Building Permits – 211 Demolition Permits – 11
Electrical Permits – 128 Mechanical Permits – 16
Plumbing Permits – 80 Total Permits Issued – 446

Total Construction Value - \$14,033,448 Permit Fees Collected - \$26,205.75

Council Member Cook said this is all money that has been put back into properties and invested back into the community.

There were a total of 201 citations issued for Code Enforcement items such as junk/debris, tall grass and unregistered vehicles. There are still a few pending but most have been cleaned up.

The next Board of Building Code Enforcement Hearings will be held on January 24th at 8:30 a.m.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

No report.

Council Member Green discussed and clarified upcoming street project budget numbers.

RESOLUTION

A resolution entitled "A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ROOF AT CITY HALL" was read by title only.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to approve the resolution. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Swisher, Guthrey, Brandt, Cook, Allen and Perkins voting aye; Thompson excused absent. The Resolution is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Resolution No. 2024-1.

ORDINANCES

An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, ESTABLISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS PERMITTING THE USE OF UTILITY VEHICLES IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL" was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Cook inquired about the effective date.

Council Member Perkins indicated the effective date will be established before passage.

Council Member Swisher said he doesn't understand the purpose of the proposed ordinance.

Council Members discussed the purpose of the proposed ordinance.

Council Member Perkins made a motion, seconded by Allen, to approve the first reading. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Cook, Allen, Perkins and Green voting aye; Swisher and Guthrey voting nay; Thompson excused absent. Motion carried.

An ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS" was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Green made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Guthrey, Brandt, Cook, Allen, Perkins, Green and Swisher voting aye; Thompson excused absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8805 entitled "AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS" was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Perkins. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Cook, Allen, Perkins, Green, Swisher and Guthrey voting aye; Thompson excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by thee President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Members Green expressed his concerns regarding the proposed UTV ordinance.

Mayor Lutterbie suggested having a work session to discuss the proposed UTV ordinance.

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Green made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to adjourn the meeting. A voice vote was taken with all in attendance in favor, Thompson excused absent. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

Julie A. Lewis City Clerk