

**OCTOBER 7, 2014 \* RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**CITY OF PACIFIC  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
300 HOVEN  
PACIFIC, MISSOURI 63069**

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**T**he meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Palmore.

A roll call was taken with the following results:

Present at Roll Call: Mayor Palmore  
Alderman Arnette  
Alderman Myers  
Alderman Bates  
Alderman Gass  
Alderman Johnson  
Alderman Pigg

A quorum was present:

Also present:  
Attorney Schroeder  
Chief Mansell  
Collector Kelley  
City Clerk Barfield

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting- September 16, 2014**

Motion by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 16, 2014. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**B. Special meeting on September 24, 2014**

Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the minutes of the special meeting held on September 24, 2014. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING** - None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - SPEAKER CARDS**

*Reverend Michael Gardner, 561 Coventry Farms Road, Villa Ridge, Mo 63089* was present this evening to offer prayer.

*Gerald Pemberton, 205 Candlewick Lane, Pacific, MO 63069* stated that things were being marked on Candlewick and asked what the plan was. Mayor Palmore stated he has a tentative plan, he is first addressing the water area, there are two areas that have collapsed. He does not know how much further past that we will get before weather moves in. He is going to look at funding for the major repairs. Mr. Pemberton asked when they would start on the water problem, Mayor Palmore explained a conflict came up on Midwest Drive and once that was completed they would be back on Candlewick. Mr. Pemberton asked about the \$ 500 fine for big trucks using Candlewick and if those were going up. Mayor Palmore stated that later in the meeting he is going to ask the board to apply for a grant through MoDot for \$ 8,000 to focus on signage. This grant needs to be applied for by November 1, 2014, and this will help us place signs in the right places.

*Andrew Bruns, 311 N. Seventh St., Pacific, MO 63069* asked if one must have a deed or own a spot prior to being buried in any space in the city cemetery. Mayor Palmore stated the ordinance says (from memory) a person must apply to the city for a grave space, he continued that in your situation we can talk about this at a different time if he wished, but his understanding is they already owned it, but there was already someone else buried there, then you bought the space. Mr. Bruns stated his request was for himself, and nobody owned it. Mayor Palmore stated he did submit this request within 30 days of burial and the sexton has 30 days to submit this paperwork, and you requested a specific grave space and lot, Mr. Bruns stated he bought this for himself. Mr. Palmore stated if he wanted to meet with him further to discuss we could do that. Mr. Bruns stated that the Mayor owns the funeral home, is the sexton and the Mayor, and it seems this may be a conflict of interest, abuse of power or corruption. Alderman Pigg asked why the board did not know about this, Mayor Palmore stated that Mr. Bruns called him today requesting a different deed, and this is a standard process, there was no need to contact the board. We have had one burial, anybody can look at the records, they are public, and they will show when they were buried and purchased.

*Steve Flannery, 305 W. Pacific St., Pacific, MO 63069* was present this evening on behalf of the Partnership, P.O. Box 267, Pacific, MO 63069. On October 31, 2014 the Partnership is coordinating a special event, Monster Fest, they are asking the city to close St. Louis St. from First St., to Fourth St. from 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. They are also asking for the city's help with port-a-potty's, police support, and use of cones and barricades. Mayor Palmore stated he would like to see more of the organizations bear these costs unless it is city sponsored, and even those events will be monitored to verify the expenses verses the revenues. He continued he was trying to keep costs down and be fair to everyone, if we can move things around then that's a different story. He continued we also need to consider wages and employees doing other things rather than their original job. Alderman Johnson thought we usually used port-a-potty's that we already have. Mr. Flannery stated the civic organizations come together for events and they are also limited, but we need to provide quality events, if some of the costs need to come from the parks department then so be it. Alderman Johnson stated a good job has always been done cleaning up the town after an event, Mr. Flannery stated Tourism has also supported this event

with \$ 3,500. Mayor Palmore continued he wanted everyone to be mindful of the costs and step away from some of this if we can. Alderman Pigg stated we can't just look at the expense side, most of the time the city profits, the gas stations and restaurants in town get a boost and everyone is working together. He thought we had less than 12 events per year, and to help the civic organizations is just the cost of doing business. Alderman Johnson also asked if they were collecting for the food drive, like they did last year, as those canned foods the Collector took down to the Agape House. Mr. Flannery would have to check on this. Alderman Gass suggested we obtain a price on having the company move the port-a-pottys around. **Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve all of Mr. Flannery's request.** Mr. Flannery stated if the port-a-potty's was the problem he would remove them from the request, and he could get volunteers to move the barricades. Alderman Myers stated his original request has already been supported by a motion and a second. **Motion made again by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve the closing of St. Louis St. from First St., to Fourth St. from 3:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., provide port-a-potty's, police support and use of cones and barricades. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and the motion carried.** Alderman Pigg asked for brochures for the businesses.

*Nancy Omer, 313 E. Franklin St., Pacific, MO 63069* stated she wanted to address the editorial from September 20, 2014 "Check my drawers" this article was about the mayor's residency and she did not think this reflected well on Pacific. We need to be cooperating with each other and working towards progress, we are a vibrant, involved, caring community and that is how we should be acting. Tim Baker thinks he would be a good candidate for Presiding Commissioner, but the discord of this administration could work against him. The whole county reads about Pacific and things have been done and said that are not funny or wise. It's supposed to be about who wants to open a business here, work here, live here. She felt we needed to adopt the spirit of cooperation and resolve difference, everyone here is competent.

- A. Recognize Sergeant Scott Perkins**
- B. Recognize Officer Ron Burgess**

Chief Mansell stated on September 24, 2014 these officers were working and Sullivan had a robbery. Officer Burgess heard the call and since it was quiet in town that night, he talked to Sergeant Perkins and they went to sit on the highway. They spotted the car that was reported and recovered all the money that was taken and two people were taken into custody. He presented these employees with a Certificate of Proficiency.

## **MAYOR'S REPORT**

- A. Discuss Traffic Engineering Assistance Program Grants through MoDot.**

Mayor Palmore stated he was informed by MoDot there were grants available for these studies to municipalities and the city can obtain up to \$ 8,000. He would like to pursue this. The census of the board was to move forward with the grant process.

- B. Discuss pavement maintenance plan**

Mayor Palmore stated the improvements to the roadways are a priority along with the use of the streets, and there are many resources available. He has asked Cochran Engineering to look into this and the proposal in front of them is an ongoing process. This is a proposed 20 year preventative maintenance plan, this study costs \$ 16,800. He would like to bring this to the next board meeting with a resolution. Alderman Bates was supportive of this concept, but questioned where the money would come from. Mayor Palmore thought this should come from the street department. Alderman Myers questioned if the staff could do this plan, but Mayor Palmore thought Cochran had ways of saving the city money, there was also discussion of taking core's and that is included in the plan. Mayor Palmore stated he would like to bring this back with a resolution at the next meeting. Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Johnson to move forward with a pavement maintenance plan. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### **C. Community Leaders Open House**

Mayor Palmore stated he received this invitation in the mail from Tim Jones, and read it into the record.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

*Park Board Committee* – Park Board President, Steve Flannery stated the Rodeo was this weekend, although it is a city event several organizations are working to make this a good weekend. He felt this was a very good community, but stated there are several on the Park Board that feel frustrated in regards to the condition of the parks, and the lack of maintenance, along with the speed of projects, it seems we are slow in executing. The bathrooms in Liberty Field is a big project, and everyone wants to see movement forward on this, there are other small things such as maintenance to the picnic tables. He thanked the Park Board Committee for donating their time and serving.

*Cemetery Committee* – No Report.

*Industrial Development Committee* – Bob Masson stated they would be meeting next Tuesday, at 1:00 p.m.

*Museum Committee* – Alderman Johnson stated there was an Open House scheduled on Saturday, November 1, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at City Hall with different civil war events. This will be a combined event between Museum and Genealogy and all their books will also be for sale. With that, they have asked if they can lower the price of the Sesquicentennial Books to \$ 20.00. Collector Kelley stated the books have previously been lowered to \$ 25.00. Jeannie Bandermann, 1713 Birch, stated the Museum Committee was originally selling them for \$ 35.00 per book, they previously proposed the \$ 25.00 and then it was lowered to \$ 20.00 after that. To be clear on the price, motion was made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Gass to sell the Sesquicentennial Books for \$ 20.00. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

*Tourism Committee* – Alderman Arnette stated there was a bill on the agenda listed from the sign

company, and Bob Masson picked it up and paid for it. He thought reimbursement needed to be made through the company, which meant the city would have to pay the company and the company refund Bob's money. Pauline Masson disagreed, as the statement for reimbursement from Tourism is from the Genealogy Committee. Attorney Schroeder stated payment to the Genealogy Committee was acceptable, and they would reimburse Bob Masson.

*Planning & Zoning* – Alderman Bates stated they have not met.

*Genealogy Committee* – Alderman Arnette stated that was done under the Museum Committee.

*Operations Committee* – Alderman Bates stated one has not been scheduled yet.

*Administration Committee* – Alderman Johnson stated there would be one scheduled for this month. She continued that Mayor Palmore has reached out to her in regards to applications and she would be meeting with him in the future. Mayor Palmore stated the attorney has also put together the language for the personnel change to go back to this committee.

## **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

*Chief Mansell* – stated he has 2015 calendars for sale through the Paw Stoppers, they are \$ 15.00 each and Officers Whitman's canine is featured in one of the months.

*Collector Kelley* – stated last year the t-shirts for the rodeo sold for \$ 10.00 each and she was asking to lower the price to \$ 5.00. Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Myers to change the price of the Iron Horse Rodeo t-shirts to \$ 5.00 each. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried. Collector Kelley stated the petty cash needed for each night is \$ 2,000. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve petty cash for \$ 2,000 for each night of the rodeo. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and the motion carried. Alderman Pigg thought the t-shirts were a good idea, but he also thought hoodies would have been a good idea, considering the time of year.

*Alderman Bates* – stated the guard rails at the Community School went up, and thought that was a welcomed site, as the children's safety is priority.

*Chief Mansell* – stated on Second St. it seems like the St. Bridget's sign is blocking some view. Mayor Palmore stated at Fourth St. there are a number of signs including street signs that may be a problem. He will contact Engineer Dan Rahn to see about a site triangle to verify compliance. Alderman Pigg asked what the cost was, Alderman Bates stated at the operations meeting they were told close to \$ 9,000.

*Alderman Gass* – stated he would like the city attorney to look into the Revised Statute under Chapter 77.042 to see if our ordinance is in conflict with the state statute, and then report back to us. He also requested Mayor Palmore to instruct the street department to go to Hawthorne Subdivision as there is a bad spot on Peachtree that needs repaired and also on Hawthorne. This needs to get repaired before winter. The third item he had was inquiring about a mixer in the

reservoir on Gray Summit Road to mix the water. We might be getting stratification in the summer without a mixer. Also the softners for Well 1 & Well 2 need to be checked. He checked his house and it was at 21 grains of hardness which is the same as it is coming out of the well, so the softners are not working, and they probably need replaced. The fourth item was the reservoir at Blackburn Park, one cell needs replaced he thought, and the condition of the concrete on the east small cell needed repaired. The fifth item was regarding Anoid bags for two metal pumps stations, the one in Silver Lakes and one in Ridge Meadows and one in Indian Hills. Those bags are probably 12 years old, and they are secured to the tank with a wire. Lastly he asked if the Bridge on Lamar Parkway was going to get sealed before winter.

*Alderman Johnson* – asked for an update on the Congress St. project. Mayor Palmore stated he just received a list from Engineer Dan Rahn and that project will start in the spring of 2015, she suggested this be included in the newsletter. Mayor Palmore stated they also started on Old Gray Summit Road. Next she asked for an update on Bend Bridge from Alderman Myers. Alderman Myers stated if there was a trail we need a spot to cross and this bridge would help capture tourism, this bridge just passed a 17 ton test, so it could be used for biking and hiking as the bridge is sound, although Franklin County wants it demolished. These kinds of conversations though would need to be discussed with MoDot, and he encouraged people to go to MoDot.

*Mike Butler, 1880 Buffalo Run, Pacific, MO* stated the property along the bluff is owned by his in-laws, and an easement would be needed to do anything, and he does not think they will give one. Alderman Myers explained that bridges dedicated as historical sites are funded by other avenues, the city would not incur maintenance costs if it was a trial bridge. The maintenance would come from donations. Alderman Johnson stated there will be a Veterans Parade hosted by the Senior Center on November 8, 2014.

*Alderman Pigg* – stated when pulling in the drive ways in the Cedar's on Cedar Crest the residents are complaining when they pull in their driveway they are bottoming out. He asked that when Public Works patches they go all the way to the driveways.

*Alderman Arnette* – stated Adams Garden is having a brick laying on Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

*Alderman Pigg* – stated he received complaints about rock on Thornton Road by West Asphalt.

*Alderman Myers* – stated he had several things. First he asked about the schedule of seeding and sod on the east end, but Mayor Palmore does not know the schedule. Next he asked about the flags on the lamp posts for the Lions Club, Mayor Palmore stated he was ordering brackets and bands, he continued that he was told Public Works installed them before and it would happen in the next couple weeks. Alderman Myers thought that the Liberty Field entrance looked great. He has had some senior citizens complain about keeping the blacktop clear of debris at the City Park, as sometimes this is causing a trip hazard. He hoped someone could blow off the walking area after storms. He also agreed with Park Board President Flannery in regards to the frustration they feel in regards to projects being completed. He continued that he was shown a list by the Park Board that he presented to them, looking at it as if he was a tourist, and 80% of the list still exists. He felt that little things, such as painting at the park should be accomplished by now, Alderman Gass suggested going out to bid for some of the painting. BJ Lawrence ( from the audience) suggested the city ask for volunteers for some of these things. Mayor Palmore asked if this was something they wanted to address at the Operations Meetings.

Alderman Bates agreed and the date of October 20, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. was decided on. Alderman Myers also stated the Kaleigh Lane street sign needed to be put back up also. He also stated the rock wall around the cannon needed to be sealed, as this was exposed aggregate. Lastly, the Soccer Association is still selling raffle tickets for a side of beef.

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS

**BILL NO. 2929      AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CENTURY LINK LANDLINE MUNICIPAL TAX SETTLEMENT CLAIM FORM IN ORDER TO MAKE A CLAIM DUE TO A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PACIFIC AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SUIT CLASS AND TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (1<sup>st</sup> reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Bates for the first reading. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried. As posted pursuant to the ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2929 for the first reading.

### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED

**BILL NO. 2929      AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CENTURY LINK LANDLINE MUNICIPAL TAX SETTLEMENT CLAIM FORM IN ORDER TO MAKE A CLAIM DUE TO A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PACIFIC AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE SUIT CLASS AND TO ESTABLISH AN EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Arnette for the second reading Bill No. 2929. As posted pursuant to the ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2929 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Bates to approve Bill No. 2929. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Arnette, Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates, Alderman Gass, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg. Nays: None. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared Bill No. 2929 approved and becomes **Ordinance No. 2917.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-42      A RESOLUTION APPROVING GILMORE BELL AS SPECIAL COUNSEL AND BOND COUNSEL FOR THE CITY OF PACIFIC.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-44**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
REFUND OF CIGARETTE TAX RECEIPTS.**

As posted pursuant to the Ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Resolution No. 2014-44. Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Bates to approve Resolution No. 2014-44. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-45**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE  
TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE  
CONTINGENCY RESERVE FUND TO THE  
GENERAL FUND FOR CERTAIN CAPITAL  
STREET IMPROVEMENTS.**

As posted pursuant to the Ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Resolution No. 2014-45. Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Resolution No. 2014-45. Mayor Palmore stated for the record we were borrowing money from the Contingency Fund to put in the general fund. Alderman Johnson asked City Clerk Barfield to explain more about this. City Clerk Barfield stated the original budget that was approved by the board showed borrowing money from the contingency to pay for the city's portion of this project, the budget also shows the CID paying back contingency when the funds are available. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

**A. Approve invoice from Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLP in the amount of \$ 500.00 to be paid from W. Osage CID for preparation of financial reports.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the invoice from Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLP in the amount of \$ 500.00 to be paid from the W. Osage CID for preparation of financial reports. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**B. Approve invoice from Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLP in the amount of \$ 500.00 to be paid from the Viaduct CID for preparation of financial reports.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the invoice from Hochschild, Bloom & Company LLP in the amount of \$ 500.00 to be paid from the Viaduct CID for preparation of financial reports. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**C. Approve a Special Events Permit for the Action Riders on October 7, 2014 to hold a Poker Run.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve a Special Events Permit for the Action Riders on October 7, 2014 to hold a Poker Run. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**D. Approve petty cash.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve petty cash. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**E. Approve resignation of Stephanie Clifton as a Police Dispatcher.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the resignation of Stephanie Clifton as a Police Dispatcher. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**F. Approve Temporary Liquor License permit for St. Bridget's School. Steve Bukowsky, 120 W. Osage, Pacific, MO 63069 for the Fall Festival on November 2, 2014.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the Temporary Liquor License permit for St. Bridget's School, Steve Bukowsky, 120 W. Osage, Pacific, MO 63069 for the Fall Festival on November 2, 2014. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**G. Accept the resignation/retirement notification from Mary Wideman effective January 30, 2015.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to accept the resignation/retirement notification from Mary Wideman, effective January 30, 2015. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**H. Approve David Jost as a part-time Police Officer.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve David Jost as a part-time Police Officer. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion approved.

**I. Approve expense to Electric Controls Co. for \$ 30,338.00.**

Alderman Gass stated he did not feel this was needed at this time, and it was not budgeted for. Alderman Johnson suggested this be sent to the Operations Committee for further discussion, Board members agreed.

**TOURISM EXPENDITURES**

**A. Approve invoice from Impact Corporate Signs for the Sterling Price Civil War Marker to be paid from Tourism Funds in the amount of \$ 1,588.50-reimbursement to go**

to Bob Masson as invoice is already paid.

This was approved earlier in the meeting to be paid to the Genealogy Committee.

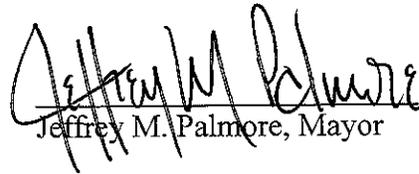
**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Pigg to adjourn. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

  
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Jeffrey M. Palmore, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

