

SEPTEMBER 16, 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  
Engineer Rahn  
City Clerk Barfield

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. Regular Meeting- September 3, 2014**

Motion by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held September 3, 2014. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING** - None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - SPEAKER CARDS**

*Pastor David Lange, Ministerial Alliance, 1936 Forest Lane, Pacific, MO* stated he wanted to offer prayer this evening.

Jim Nantz, 509 S. Second St., Pacific, Mo 63069 asked who was in charge of Code Enforcement, and submitted pictures to Mayor Palmore. These pictures were of lots that had overgrown grass, Mayor Palmore stated we were trying to get our hands around the grass problem, and we have stopped mowing on private properties. Code Enforcement Officer Adams is helping him work on this and we need a procedure in place and enforcement. He continued we did not have the money or the resources to be mowing all the grass. Mr. Nantz stated these pictures were within a two block area of his home. Discussion followed regarding if the ordinance we currently have is working to our advantage and does it need re-written. Alderman Gass stated the City should be abating the property and charge a minimum fee and so much per hour, then a special tax bill be placed on the property. Alderman Arnette brought up the properties that are in violation but not in the city, but the City has no jurisdiction there. Discussion followed on Highway N and Mayor Palmore stated the city has to mow the right-of-way here. Alderman Pigg stated if someone is given a warning this year, and then we have a problem with them the next year, they should not get another warning, it should be counted as their second offense. Motion made by Alderman Gass to draft a bill that has some teeth in it and includes a “step” fine. Alderman Pigg asked if the properties we are no longer mowing have received a letter so they know they have to do it now; Mayor Palmore stated their letter will be their first violation notice. A suggestion was made from the audience to include this in the Newsletter. Alderman Bates stated he sponsored the bill last time it was updated, and he asked that we continue to be consistent. Dave Myers (audience) stated a process was put into place about three years ago for abatement, and thought the process just needed to be followed. Alderman Pigg asked if “wildflowers” will be a violation, Attorney Schroeder stated that has been before a judge about 10 years ago and the judge did not take action. Alderman Bates thought unimproved properties and agriculture properties should be exceptions. Mayor Palmore thought that even if it was agriculture, if it is not tilled then it falls under our ordinance.

## **MAYOR’S REPORT**

### **A. Pavement Maintenance Plan Proposal**

Mayor Palmore stated he has been working on a pavement plan and has spoken to an engineering firm, but this is going to cost. He stated on Candlewick the west side of the street constantly has water being pumped to the street, it has fluoride in it so the city tested it and it is comparable to the fluoride at the well head. In this case the underlying problem needs to be fixed. Mayor Palmore will bring his proposal back to the board in two weeks.

### **B. Discuss Emergency Service on Lift Station pumps and costs**

Mayor Palmore stated there has been an emergency this week with the pumps at Lift Station # 1 and the cost to fix this is about \$ 44,000.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Park Board Committee – President Flannery stated the Girl Scouts attended the meeting and will be starting at Blackburn Park cleaning up leaves. There is also a “Walk for the Poor” this month through the St. Vincent Society at Liberty Field. The Eagle Scouts also came and discussed

Eagle Scout projects. In regards to the parks themselves, there is still problems with the fields, and holes and grass, John Sticker's recommendation is to put a coat of soil down to be able to grow grass and correct the issues. There was also discussion on River Walk and the committee agrees this should be a sub-committee of the Park Board. He continued the meeting lasted late, and the members of the Park Board are willing and glad to serve the citizens and put the time in to get this completed. Alderman Gass suggested Bill Pemberton take soil tests and send them to the MO. Extension Service so we can see how they come back. Mayor Palmore requested a map of Liberty Field from the Park Board. Alderman Myers stated the rodeo is soon to be here, if we match attendance as last year, can our guys go in and make the properties in front of Liberty Field as well as Liberty Field as presentable as possible the week before the rodeo. Mayor Palmore agreed this could be done.

Cemetery Committee - No report.

Industrial Development Committee – Bob Masson stated there was no meeting scheduled.

Museum Committee – The next meeting is September 17, 2014.

Tourism Committee – Alderman Arnette stated we did not talk about this in Tourism, but he talked to Ben and he thought the stones from city hall were at the lagoon that could be used for the signs.

Building Advisory Committee – No Report.

Planning & Zoning Committee- No Report.

Genealogy Committee – Alderman Arnette stated their next meeting is September 17, 2014.

Operations Committee – Alderman Bates stated they met on September 10, 2014, and Judy Wagner was present. The E. Osage Project was discussed along with directional signage, there was a lot of territory covered and if anyone had questions they could see him.

Administrative Committee – Alderman Johnson stated there is no meeting at this time, and Attorney Schroeder is working on something for the personnel manual.

## **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS**

**Alderman Arnette** – No report

**Alderman Johnson** – No report

**Alderman Bates** – Stated his position on grass cutting was he thought we should NOT be doing this; the grass cutting should be contracted out. He felt we did not have enough resources to take care of everything we needed to be. He thought even for the abatement process, the service should be bid out. Alderman Gass stated we have free help to the East, use them to cut the grass. Mayor Palmore asked if the board was willing to hire part-time people during the summer. After

further discussion, City Clerk Barfield stated in the past we have used the Work Force Program through Washington, they pay the employees and provide their insurance. Mayor Palmore suggested this go to the Operations Committee and City Clerk Barfield ask for a representative to join them.

**Chief Mansell** – asked when the city puts items up for bid if a list could be posted for all the departments.

**Alderman Myers** – stated that he saw the dumpsters were moved back behind the fence at the maintenance building. He asked about the progress on cameras, Mayor Palmore stated he has spoken to the Chief and the ones available do not work well, this is also compounded by the ability to have internet down there. Mayor Palmore stated the signage still needed to be done, but it does look much better. Alderman Pigg stated there was fence screening available and asked if the city could look into this instead of slats. Alderman Myers stated the Girl Scouts will start cleaning up this weekend; he will have a dump trailer available for them to put debris in, he asked for permission to take the trailer to the lagoon Monday to dump it. Board members agreed. He continued the city was turned down for the beautification grant, the rules changed and now it is not eligible. He asked about the flag holder brackets for the new poles, Mayor Palmore stated these were being ordered, and the city will put them up, Mike Gallagher has offered his truck to the city for rent to do this. Alderman Gass suggested asking what the contractor on sight would charge to put the brackets up. Alderman Myers continued the Soccer Association is raffling off a side of beef from Crooked Creek and the funds go towards the bathrooms at Liberty Field. On this note he has another concern and asked how we could be sure the funds raised are kept obligated to the bathrooms, Alderman Arnette suggested having plans drawn up and use the money. Park Board President Flannery stated the last figure he had for the construction of bathrooms was \$ 125,000 to \$ 150,000. Mayor Palmore suggested looking into grants to help with this, Alderman Gass agreed, Mayor Palmore stated there is about \$ 28,000 in this line item now, Park Board President Flannery stated there was \$ 30,000 budgeted in the parks for capital improvement that could be used. Alderman Gass suggested an architect in town be contacted to see what he would charge. Mayor Palmore suggested obtaining plans from the state, Alderman Pigg suggested stainless piping. Alderman Johnson commended Park Board President Flannery and Alderman Arnette for their continued effort to find a way to have bathrooms at Liberty Field, and she supported that 100%.

**Alderman Pigg** – wanted to follow up on the street lights by the high school, Mayor Palmore stated he has been given conflicting information, but did find out each light is on its own photo cells, so it seems this is a wiring problem. Alderman Pigg asked about a meeting he had with the residents off of Thornton Road, and thought the aldermen for that ward should have been invited. Mayor Palmore stated there were a number of residents that wanted to meet with him regarding their street improvements, and how they have been promised a number of things. The City Clerk gave me information that was provided to those people in an Operations Meeting. Alderman Pigg thought that they took a vote and it had to be unanimous at that time and it wasn't so it died. Mayor Palmore stated everybody agrees they need to pay to have it paved and then the city could maintain it. Mayor Palmore stated he has spoken with Cochran about a 10 feet – 15 feet transition, but he suggested this go back to the Operations Committee for suggestions. Alderman Gass stated this could be done as a Neighborhood Improvement District, if we had 100%

cooperation.

**Alderman Gass** – stated he wanted to see an engineer get bids and specifications for crack filling of the streets. Mayor Palmore stated he is working on this, and non-attributable funds could be used on this. Alderman Gass also suggested we hire an auditor to come in and tell us where our revenues and expenses really are at, City Clerk Barfield stated the city is in the middle of the yearly audit now, if the board wished the auditors could present the findings to them when it is finished. Board members agreed this was a good idea.

**Collector Kelley** – No Report.

### **INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS**

**BILL NO. 2927**      **AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 2488 AND ENACTING IN LIEU THEREOF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND OPERATION PROCEDURE MANUAL FOR THE CREATION OF A MULTI-COUNTY NARCOTICS AND VIOLENT CRIMES ENFORCEMENT UNIT BY AND BETWEEN THE MISSOURI COUNTIES OF FRANKLIN, LINCOLN, AND REYNOLDS AND MISSOURI CITIES OF UNION, ST. CLAIR, WASHINGTON, PACIFIC, NEW HAVEN, SULLIVAN, GERALD, TROY, ELSBERRY AND WINFIELD. (1<sup>st</sup> reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Gass 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. 2927 for the first reading.

### **CONSIDERATION OF BILLS PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED**

**AMENDED**  
**BILL NO. 2926**      **AN ORDINANCE GRANTING APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP) FOR VEHICLE SALES AND SERVICES LOCATED AT 564 EAST OSAGE IN THE CITY OF PACIFIC, MISSOURI, PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORITY GRANTED BY THE ZONING REGULATIONS OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC, MISSOURI. (P.Z. 2014-006 IN-BETWEEN MOTORS) (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Myers for the second reading Amended Bill No. 2926. As posted pursuant to the ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Amended Bill No. 2926 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, Seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Amended Bill No. 2926. 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 Amended Bill No. 2926 approved and becomes **Ordinance No. 2914.**

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Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Myers for the second reading of Bill No. 2927. As posted pursuant to the ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2927 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Bill No. 2927. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates, Alderman Gass, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Arnette. Nays: None. Whereupon, Bill No. 2927 becomes **Ordinance No 2915.**

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Pigg to table to the next meeting. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### NEW BUSINESS

**RESOLUTION NO. 2014-43**      **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR REIMBURSEMENT TO RECONCILE THE CITY OF PACIFIC FINANCIAL REPORTS.**

As posted pursuant to the Ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Resolution No. 2014-43. Motion

made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve Resolution No. 2014-43. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **A. Approve Temporary Picnic Liquor License to Bruce Johnson, Knights of Columbus, 206 W. Union Street for Iron Horse Rodeo on October 10 & 11, 2014 at Liberty Field, Pacific, MO and use of city property to sell liquor on.**

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve a Temporary Picnic Liquor License to Bruce Johnson, Knights of Columbus, 206 W. Union Street, for Iron Horse Rodeo on October 10 & 11, 2014 at Liberty Field, Pacific, MO and use of city property to sell liquor on. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### **B. Approve payment of BYN Mellon for the Administrative Fee in the amount of \$ 750.00 to be paid from the City Hall-NID.**

Motion made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve the payment of BYN Mellon for the Administrative Fee in the amount of \$ 750.00 to be paid from the City Hall-NID. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### **C. Approve resignation of Karen Woolf from IT Position effective immediately.**

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the resignation of Karen Woolf from IT Position effective immediately. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried 5-0. Abstain: Alderman Pigg.

### **D. Approve list of bills.**

Motion made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the list of bills. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### **E. Approve Change Order # 1 for E. Osage Improvement Project.**

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Arnette to approve Changer Order # 1 for E. Osage Improvement Project. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

### **F. Approve a Member Delegate for the annual LAGER'S meeting on October 30-31, 2014 in accordance with Section 70.605.6 RSMO.**

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Arnette to approve the City Clerk as a Member Delegate for the annual LAGERS meeting on October 30-31, 2014 in accordance with

Section 70.605.6 RSMO. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**G. Approve petty cash.**

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

**H. Approve resignation of Officer Kevin Conley from the Police Department.**

Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Pigg to approve the resignation of Officer Kevin Conley from the Police Department. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion approved.

**I. Approve Part-Time Officer Alex Escamilla as a Full-Time Officer for the Police Department.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Arnette to approve Part-Time Officer Alex Escamilla as a Full-Time Officer for the Police Department. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**TOURISM EXPENDITURES**

**A. Approve invoice from the Pacific Partnership in the amount of \$ 750.00 for Sunset on the Rails.**

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Pigg to approve the invoice from the Pacific Partnership in the amount of \$ 750.00 for Sunset on the Rails. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**B. Approve invoice from the Current News Magazine LLC for \$ 1,200 for advertisement of events.**

Motion made by Alderman Arnette, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve the invoice from the Current News Magazine LLC for \$ 1,200 for advertisement of events. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**C. Approve invoice from Tom Wolf Hardware in the amount of \$ 297.50 for flags to be paid from Tourism Funds.**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the invoice from Tom Wolf Hardware in the amount of \$ 297.50 for flags to be paid from Tourism Funds. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**D. Approve invoice from Straatmann Printing & Design for Railroad Day flyers in the amount of \$ 60.00 & \$ 35.00 to be paid from Tourism Funds.**

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Gass to approve the invoice from Straatmann Printing & Design for Railroad Day flyers in the amount of \$ 60.00 and \$ 35.00 to be paid from Tourism Funds. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session RSMO 610.021 (2)

Leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore....

Motion made by Alderman Gass, seconded by Alderman Pigg to go into executive session under RSMO 610.021 (2). A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Gass, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Arnette, Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates. Nays: None. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

The Board went into executive session at 9:00 p.m.

The Board reconvened at 9:31 p.m.

Present at roll call: Alderman Bates, Alderman Gass, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Arnette, Alderman Myers.

Attorney Schroeder stated the results of closed session are as follows:

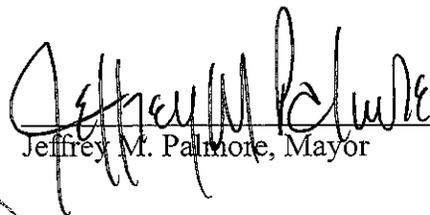
- Authorize the Mayor to negotiate to list the Hoven property and negotiate the terms
- Approve up to \$ 1,100 for appraisal of a piece of real estate
- Appoint Alderman Myers as the liaison for negotiations of the park grant for real estate

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**ADJOURNMENT**

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:31 p.m.

  
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Jeffrey M. Palmore, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

