



August 16, 2016 * RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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

The 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 Myers
Alderman Bates
Alderman Chlebowski
Alderman Johnson
Alderman Pigg

A quorum was present.

Absent: Alderman Filley

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

PRAYER

Pastor David Lange offered prayer this evening.

APPROVE AGENDA

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Melissa Waller, 320 N. First St. Pacific, MO 63069 stated she was here on behalf of her dad and the cemetery issues. He is actually who wants to talk.

Ronald McJunkin, 320 N. First St., Pacific, MO 63069 stated he would like to change the place where his wife was going to be moved to, it is in a drive thru spot. Tonight he is asking that his wife be moved to Sunset Cemetery and that Alan Bruns and his monument company move her. **Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve moving Mr. McJunkins wife to Sunset Cemetery and allowing Alan Bruns and his company to do so.** Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. Alderman Bates asked if we could move someone to a private cemetery. Mayor Palmore stated this could be done but would take some paperwork. **Alderman Myers asked to add to the motion that the City pay for the move of his wife, any charge for paperwork, and any difference in the amount charged to go to Sunset including refunding him his money back he paid to the City.** Mayor Palmore stated he would get with the City Attorney and follow thru with the paperwork needed. This has to be registered with the State, it won't happen overnight but he will do it as quickly as possible. Mr. McJunkin stated he did not think he should have to pay for anything. He trusted the Mayor and he asked them to double check that the spot was available. Mayor Palmore stated that he did check and he showed him that. Mr. McJunkin stated that the Mayor burnt him twice. Mayor Palmore stated there was no Deed and he showed him that. He continued that he showed Mr. McJunkin the records and that is the best he can do. Mr. McJunkin stated the records are probably wrong, he don't know, but you said it was ok. Mayor Palmore stated that the spot his wife is in shows no Deed number, no occupant. No one placed the blame on anybody but the records, they are incorrect. He double checked them and found more records later. He showed them to him. For 8 ½ years he also told the City this and they ignored him. Now the City finally agrees to fix them, there was theft and deception all those years. Mr. McJunkin stated that he felt like the Mayor took him and his family and set an example with them. He thought the Cemetery should be closed if this was a problem. Mayor Palmore stated that is what he suggested 8 ½ years ago. Mr. McJunkin stated this happened to another family. Mayor Palmore stated it has been happening and for years the Board pushed it under the rug and no action was taken. Alderman Pigg stated "don't reprimand him, your shoving it down his throat". Mr. McJunkin stated that the Mayor was acting like a dictator, and Mayors don't operate that way. **Alderman Myers stated there is a motion on the floor and a second. Alderman Pigg stated his motion is to include that the City pay for the move of his wife, any charge for paperwork, and any difference in the amount charged to go to Sunset including refunding him his money back he paid to the City. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.**

Patricia Schuba, 2322 Hwy 100, Labadie, MO stated she wanted to discuss the impact that the Labadie Power Plant has on Labadie, Pacific and a 12 mile radius of Labadie. Labadie Power Plant is being evaluated for pollution and the sulfur dioxide regulation. She passed out information about this. She is asking leaders to write letters to the EPA and ask them to place monitors around the plant to pick up the pollution. The two monitors that are there don't pick up all the pollution. They collect the data for three years and then make a recommendation on how to correct it. This pollution has resulted in 290 premature deaths per year and SO₂ is one of those particles. This is an issue about pollution and what is fair. The scrubbers have been required on other plants. Discussion followed.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- a. Approve appointment of Steve Roth as City Administrator

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Pigg to approve the appointment of Steve Roth as City Administrator. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular meeting on August 3, 2016

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Pigg to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 3, 2016. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

B. Executive session on August 3, 2016

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Pigg to approve the minutes of executive session on August 3, 2016. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

- A. **A Public Hearing regarding the property tax rate to be set by the City of Pacific, a political subdivision. The tax rate shall be set subject to change, based on the State Auditor's approval, to produce revenues which the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 shows to be required from the property tax. The tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of revenue by the current assessed valuation. The result is multiplied by 100 as the tax rate will be expressed in centers per \$ 100 valuation.**

Mayor Palmore opened the Public Hearing. He read the Public Hearing into the record. He asked for comments from the public two times. There being none, he asked for comments from the Board. City Clerk Barfield stated this meets the requirement for Franklin County and the deadline is September 1, 2016. St. Louis County has not finalized their numbers, so this may change, as their deadline is October 1, 2016. There being no comments from the Board, the Public Hearing is closed.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW BILLS

- BILL NO. 2981 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR HIRING OF SEXTON. (Tabled from 8-2-16)**

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Myers for the first reading of Bill No. 2981. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried. As posted pursuant to ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2981 for the first reading.

- BILL NO. 2983 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF PACIFIC, COUNTIES OF FRANKLIN AND ST. LOUIS, STATE OF MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2016 AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (1st reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski for the first reading of Bill No. 2983. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. 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. 2983 for the first reading.

- BILL NO. 2984 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 BUDGET & WAGE AND SALARY SCHEDULE FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS & EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC. (1st reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Johnson, seconded by Alderman Pigg for the first reading of Bill No. 2984. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. 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. 2984 for the first reading.

BILL NO. 2985 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PACIFIC TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF I-44 RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM MODOT FOR AN ELECTRONIC SIGN.

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski for the first reading of Bill No. 2985. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. 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. 2985 for the first reading.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED

BILL NO. 2978 AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 525.190 PERTAINING TO MANNER OF WORK GENERALLY FOR EXCAVATIONS AND ADOPTING A NEW SECTION 525.190 (2nd reading)

City Clerk Barfield stated the agenda reads “amended” but this Bill has not been amended. Attorney Jones passed out a memo at the last meeting in regards to this Bill. Attorney Jones Stated if they pass this tonight then it can be made part of the code. Or, based on his memo we can do all the changes at once and make if part of the code then.

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski for the second reading of Bill NO. 2978. 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. 2978 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Johnson to approve Bill No. 2978. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg. Nays: none. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared **Bill No. 2978 passed and becomes Ordinance No. 2966.**

BILL NO. 2981 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR HIRING OF SEXTON. (2nd reading)

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Pigg for the second reading of Bill No. 2981. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried. As posted pursuant to ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2981 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Bill No. 2981. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg. Nays: none. **Whereupon Bill No. 2981 becomes Ordinance No. 2969.**

BILL NO. 2983 **AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE FOR THE CITY OF PACIFIC, COUNTIES OF FRANKLIN AND ST. LOUIS, STATE OF MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2016 AND ESTABLISHING THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF. (2nd reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Johnson for the second reading of Bill No. 2983. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. 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. 2983 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Bill No. 2983. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Bates, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Myers. Nays: None. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared **Bill No. 2983 becomes Ordinance No. 2971.**

BILL NO. 2984 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017 BUDGET & WAGE AND SALARY SCHEDULE FOR APPOINTED OFFICIALS & EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC. (2nd reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Johnson to read Bill No. 2984. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. City Clerk Barfield stated this is for two police officers that have completed their probation. 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. 2984 for the second reading. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Aye: Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates. Nays: None. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared **Bill No. 2984 becomes Ordinance No. 2972.**

BILL NO. 2985 **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF PACIFIC TO PURCHASE A PORTION OF I-44 RIGHT-OF-WAY FROM MODOT FOR AN ELECTRONIC SIGN. (2nd reading)**

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Pigg to read Bill No. 2985. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result. As posted pursuant to the ordinance, City Clerk Barfield read Bill No. 2985 for the second reading. Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve Bill No. 2985. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Myers, Alderman Bates, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg. Nays: None. Whereupon, Mayor Palmore declared **Bill No. 2985 becomes Ordinance No. 2973.**

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-29 **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PACIFIC TO EXECUTE A DEED TO CONVEY A PORTION OF HIGHWAY N TO MODOT FOR CONVEYANCE TO FRANKLIN COUNTY FOR A BRIDGE PROJECT.**

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Bates to read Resolution No. 2016-29. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. Alderman Pigg asked how the conversation went when the Mayor spoke to Franklin County. Mayor Palmore stated he did not think the County had any plans to widen the bridge. The project is already approved and that would take re-engineering. We can pass the Resolution this evening and send it on to them. He continued he would presume this strip of ground will remain unimproved. Alderman Myers read from a letter that he received from Brent Hugh, Executive Director from the Missouri Bicyclist Federation. They are in support of the walkway. In MoDot's EPG they support this if the public supports it. If it is built without the walkway it will potentially stay like that for 50-100 years. He has forwarded this letter to Jason Lange at East-West Gateway. He continued that Herman and Washington did not get ignored and felt like we were being ignored. He suggested to table this resolution until he heard back from Jason Lange. He stated that Franklin County is aware that if someone is injured they are liable. Mayor Palmore stated the Resolution before them tonight reads specifically for the request of the wider lane. He was not sure what delaying the Resolution was going to do. Alderman Myers withdrew that statement. Alderman Myers asked Dr. Hillhouse (crowd) if there was still any hope. Dr. Hillhouse stated he did not have a definite answer. The request for the project comes from the County then East-West Gateway rates the projects, and there is only so much money to go around. With amending a project, there is always a risk, and there is only so much time for a project to happen, then you can obtain one more grace period then you can lose the money. Mayor Palmore reminded everyone the bridge is in Franklin County not Pacific. Dr. Hillhouse suggested contacting Jason Wild, Executive Director of EWGW to see whether or not the project is in jeopardy of losing funding, although the County would need to support this effort. Chief Mansell asked if a letter from the School District would help. Mr. Butler (crowd and school board member) stated he couldn't speak for the School District, but Franklin County was against this and wants to move forward, buses roll out tomorrow. Mayor Palmore stated he thought the new bridge included a 4' wide lane, which is larger than what was originally discussed. We can write letters and speak to EWGW but the facts remain this is a Franklin County project and is outside the city limits. He suggested whoever desired this larger width to contact Franklin County and EWGW. Mayor Palmore stated he talked to Cochran Engineering and the structures for decking are longitude. When you want to make this kind of change for a ½ mile long sub-structure that is a large sum of money. Alderman Johnson thought this was a casualty of not having a City Administrator. She did not want to stop the bridge, but did not think Pacific should be left out when Augusta and Marthasville got it. Alderman Myers agreed. Alderman Bates agreed that the language was in the Resolution, that made our point. We want the 6' lane and he was shocked it was designed without it. He was in favor of the Resolution.

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Johnson to read Resolution No. 2016-29. Mayor Palmore asked for any more discussion. 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 Resolution No. 2016-29. Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Bates to approve Resolution No. 2016-29. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

BILL NO. 2977

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR HIRING POLICE OFFICERS.

“Shall the bill pass, the objections of the Mayor thereto notwithstanding: (RSMO 79.140)

Mayor Palmore read Bill No. 2977 into the record.

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski to pass the bill, notwithstanding the objections of the Mayor thereto, seconded by Alderman Myers. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Myers, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Nays: Alderman Bates. Mayor Palmore **declared Bill No. 2977 passed and becomes Ordinance No. 2965.**

MISCELLANEOUS

A. Approve the list of bills.

Motion made by Alderman Bates, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve the list of bills. Alderman Bates asked about the tires bought from Purcell Tire in the amount of \$ 2,299.70. He asked if this went to bid, he hoped that we keep as much business local as possible. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

B. Approve petty cash.

Motion made by Alderman Myers, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski to approve petty cash in the amount of \$ 39.96. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

C. Approve Purchase Order from Hach (sole source) in the amount of \$ 14,004.45 for improvements to Well # 1, Well # 2, Well # 3.

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski to approve the Purchase Order from Hach (sole source) in the amount of \$ 14,004.45 for improvements to Well # 1, Well # 2, Well # 3. Mayor Palmore asked for any discussion. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

D. Approve Pacific Package Liquor, Nassar Hammed, 534 E. Osage St., Pacific, MO for a wine tasting permit.

Motion made by Alderman Pigg, seconded by Alderman Chlebowski to approve Pacific Package Liquor, Nassar Hammed, 534 E. Osage, Pacific, MO 63069 for a wine tasting permit. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

E. Approve donating a Family Pool Pass to the Gray Summit Lions Club for the annual picnic.

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Myers to approve donating a Family Pool Pass to the Gray Summit Lions Club for the annual picnic. A voice vote was taken with an affirmative result, and Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Attorney Jones stated that he noticed Bill No. 2952 was on the Agenda regarding the Comprehensive Plan. He was wondering what action needed to be taken because Planning & Zoning adopts this. Alderman Bates stated this came to the Board with Planning & Zoning's recommendation. Attorney Jones

stated that typically Planning & Zoning adopts this, not the Board of Aldermen. He continued that Planning & Zoning would adopt this by Resolution. Alderman Myers stated the reason it was tabled was because there were serious deficiencies in the plan. Alderman Johnson stated the last Superintendent of Schools asked that some things be taken out. Mayor Palmore stated this has nothing to do with the Board of Aldermen. If Planning & Zoning approved it they just need a Resolution. Alderman Pigg thought they needed to start over and go back to Planning & Zoning. Alderman Bates stated that no one at Planning & Zoning understood that. Attorney Jones stated he would assist with the process, if the Board desired.

Motion made by Alderman Chlebowski, seconded by Alderman Myers to remove Bill No. 2952 from the Agenda. A roll call vote was taken with the following results: Ayes: Alderman Bates, Alderman Chlebowski, Alderman Johnson, Alderman Pigg, Alderman Myers. Mayor Palmore declared the motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Ed Hillhouse – Mayor Palmore stated he would like to recognize him this evening. Dr. Hillhouse stated he wished he wasn't here tonight under these circumstances. Randy George was a wonderful superintendent, he cared about the school and this community. Tonight he wanted to recommit to working together with the leaders, and this community. Randy's chair sits vacant today, it cannot be filled. Over the last 4-5 years enrollment has been down about 300 plus students, it takes businesses and homes to make a difference. He will also be reaching out to others in the area to work with, but the City has the commitment of the School District.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Park Board Committee- No Report

Cemetery Committee – No Report.

Industrial Development Committee – No Report.

Tourism Committee – Alderman Pigg stated one of the items discussed was the Eagle Scout Project for Jensen's Point. The committee would like the Scout to make a presentation to them at the next meeting.

Building Advisory Committee – No Report.

Planning & Zoning Committee – Alderman Chlebowski stated he was out of town and will bring any information to the next meeting.

Operations Committee – Alderman Johnson stated she has spoken with Public Works Commissioner Brueggemann and they are waiting for an update from Terris. She is looking at scheduling one in the next few weeks. She also noticed there has been no bill from Smith Foods for May, June and July. City Clerk Barfield stated she would contact Public Works Commissioner Brueggemann. She continued that former Alderman Ed Gass would still like to be a part of this. We also received a letter from Neil Brennan and she asked if the leak had been fixed. Mayor Palmore stated it was fixed. It was actually three leaks. The additional leaks followed the pipe into a storm sewer south on 7th and then south on Union until the storm sewer was exposed. They looked down a grate in a storm sewer and found it, this was an unusual circumstance.

Administration Committee –No Report.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICIALS

Alderman Myers – asked about the status of the cemetery volunteers and any success on forming a committee. Mayor Palmore stated he has not established a committee yet, but has started working on the preparations. Alderman Myers thought the motion was for the Board to form a committee. Attorney Jones stated there are standing committees and advisory committee that can be developed by the Board and the Mayor. Alderman Myers asked if this could be renamed. Attorney Jones stated that the Mayor appoints committees and sub-committees per section 110.110. Alderman Johnson asked if they could start a task force. Attorney Jones stated that they could. Alderman Johnson continued that this problem needed to be started on. Mayor Palmore stated this should have been moved on 8 ½ years ago. Alderman Myers stated we are trying to move forward. Mayor Palmore stated you waited all this time, and now you complain about two weeks. Going thru all the deeds, finding all the illegal deeds and a way to give deeds to the rightful owner, our records don't reflect this since 1925 and we are going to do it correctly. Until he finishes the preparation we are not having the committee. Alderman Pigg stated he was not trying to be a part of the solution. Attorney Jones stated the Board can establish, the City Clerk is the secretary and the Mayor appoints the members. Alderman Johnson stated she thought it was a conflict of interest, he is the Director of the funeral home, and the acting sexton. She asked that he also not limit it to 3 or 4 people. Mayor Palmore stated three of the people that volunteered are heirs of some of the lots. Alderman Johnson asked that Mark Housman lead the committee. Mayor Palmore stated he would make the appointments. Alderman Johnson wants everyone to be able to talk to one another, she thought that Jeff and Alan would need to talk to one another. Mayor Palmore stated that it would be nice to have the records. Alderman Pigg stated this was not an easy fix, if it was Judge Hoven, he would have already done that. Attorney Jones stated that the Mayor makes the appointments with Board approval. Nothing in the ordinance addresses a time frame. Alderman Chlebowski stated that if the appointments were not made, then the power could be taken away from him. Mayor Palmore stated that every grave, every lot, every headstone would be looked at, there will be no more theft and deception. Alderman Pigg stated the Mayor should put out more effort and looking at all the resources.

Jensen's Point – Alderman Myers stated the grant for St. Louis County has to be submitted by August 26, 2016, this was to include the fencing and hand rail. The total was \$88,630 with no match. We need to turn this in to have a chance at the funds. Mayor Palmore stated he learned of this late last week and asked Kim for the information. She spoke to Steve Flannery and Brett on the Park Board to see what they were asking for. The stone wall was in question as they were not sure about the match. Alderman Myers stated the only match was for the \$ 25,000 for the fence depending on the type. Mayor Palmore stated last year it was supposed to be a zero match and it wasn't. Mayor Palmore asked where the costs were and the bids, what is the scope of the project. Alderman Myers asked if we could have another meeting. Mayor Palmore stated we could, but wanted to know what we were asking for and what the project included. The Park Board is always asking why there is no money for the bathrooms at Liberty Field. Alderman Myers stated this is St. Louis County money that cannot be used at Liberty Field. Mayor Palmore stated he did not want to over commit, it is called being fiscally responsible. He asked if the Board knew what was spent out of General Fund and about \$ 66,000 was spent. Alderman Myers stated he has no knowledge of that because he was left out of the loop. Mayor Palmore stated the grant for the land was \$280,000 and the cost was \$300,000, the grant for the asphalt was \$6,000 and we spent \$14,000, the grant for the backfill was \$ 5,600 and we spent \$5,600 etc. Mayor Palmore stated that was not true, he was not left out of the loop. Alderman Myers asked if we could request the \$88,630, but Mayor Palmore asked again what the scope of work was.

Alderman Bates – stated we had grieve stricken people here over what happened in the Cemetery. Two weeks ago it sounded like we had made progress and that is where we needed to be. He was on the Board with Carol and Mike when Nettie Painter did her work and we thought we were solving a problem. That wasn't the case, apparently we needed to go deeper, but nobody did this on purpose. We cannot solve

125 year old problem by fighting. No one should place blame on the Mayor solely about the McJunkin problem. It is wrong and we need to work together. This is the same approach we need to have with the bridge. We are not serving the people well and he wants to be open and clear moving forward. When this is all done, we will have done our best, and there will probably still be mistakes out there. He doesn't believe that Jeff intended to bury someone in the wrong spot, and he doesn't believe the Board intended to do anything wrong. The public is looking at us to lead. He asked that a committee be put together and include everyone and get it started.

Alderman Chlebowski – echoed Alderman Bates. That is why he thinks the committee needs to be formed, without members we cannot move forward. It won't be perfect, but it can be better. He continued on an older matter, fall and winter are coming on and he wanted to look at the building code and the base flood elevation. Some might want to rebuild and raising the level they are going to rebuild to needs to be looked at. He would like to ask the Attorney to look at the Building Code and amending the Base Flood Elevation. Mayor Palmore stated that he has said many time that 1' above base flood elevation was not adequate. At the Lumber Co. it is like a bowl and surrounded by the Burlington Northern Tracks. He has asked Dan Rahn several times for the elevations at the Sand Plant at the tracks and he is asking for those elevations again. There is a breach at the Lumber Co. where water went over the tracks. The water will not get any higher until this fills up the other side of the tracks. He asked why flood gates had never been put up at the Plaza and then we could pump on to the south side. Alderman Pigg thought we had looked at this before and St. Louis County wouldn't allow it, Alderman Bates agreed. Mayor Palmore stated we needed to know the elevation of the railroad tracks. Mayor Palmore stated all the breaches needed to be stopped. He has suggested raising the base flood before, but the tracks act as the levy. What he needs from Dan is the mean sea level elevation at the tracks. Alderman Chlebowski stated he would follow-up with Dan and get with the attorney. Mayor Palmore stated we needed to look at every hole. The Plaza should never get flooded. Mayor Palmore stated that Dan Rahn's firm can do this, but we need it from St. Louis County all the way to the Alt Farm. Alderman Chlebowski stated he would follow-up.

Alderman Johnson – stated she wanted to thank the new attorney. He started with the Agenda and saw a problem and she thanked him for that. She also thanked Ed Hillhouse for joining us. She would like to set the first Board Meeting in September for the public to meet the new administrator and new attorney. This could start at 6:00 p.m. and go until the Board meeting starts. Alderman Johnson continued that she has been made aware of an animal problem on Holland St. It is a skunk problem and she would like the Animal Control Officer to help with this. Mayor Palmore stated that Alderman Bates also talked to him about this. Next she asked if we were on track with the snow removal and the subdivision. Mayor Palmore stated that nothing has changed, he was certain this was a yearly contract, but could check with Public Works Commissioner Brueggemann. Next she asked that we expedite on moving the McJunkin family and if a Special Board meeting is necessary then we should do it.

Alderman Pigg asked if we could get the weeds mowed around the retention pond at Hawthorne. He doesn't want it sprayed because he put grass carp in there. Next he stated that two meetings ago he asked about the efforts on finding a Building Inspector. Bill needs help, and it took him two weeks to get his permit signed. Mayor Palmore stated that was not true, it took his contractor two weeks to pick it up. Next he stated that Todd Hamby's bill was not listed on the agenda, it would need to be on the next agenda to be voted on. Next he asked if we could order extra light poles because they keep getting hit. City Clerk Barfield stated that would need to be budgeted because of the cost.

Chief Mansell – stated it was a pleasure to be working with Dr. Hillhouse again.

Alderman Johnson – asked if we needed to take a stand on the EPA Presentation from earlier this evening. Alderman Chlebowski stated he would like to research this first.

Attorney Jones stated he did not have anything for executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.

ATTEST:

Kim Bergfeld
City Clerk



Mike Pigg
Jeffrey M. Palmore, Mayor
President of Board