

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Thiebaud Meeting Rooms
May 17, 2021
6:00 p.m.

The council met in regular session. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hull. On roll call, the following members answered present: Logan Powell, Tim Riegel, Bill Talbott, Judd Chesnut, Mark Gardner, John Gilkey, Brian Griffith, Mike Hull, and Mike Main.

Also attending, City Administrator – Russ Worsley; City Clerk – Bev Baker; Police Chief – Joe Moore; Fire Chief – Rick Heinen; City Attorney – Steven Kaderly

Mayor Hull requested to amend the agenda and add Resolution No. 460. Alderman Griffith made the motion to amend the agenda and add Resolution No. 460. Alderman Chesnut seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Chesnut made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021 Regular Session City Council meeting. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Gardner made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2021 Special Session City Council meeting. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Next was the Public Good and Welfare part of the meeting. Margaret Ott was present to discuss her property at 706 Parry.

Building inspector, Jim Buzzard discussed his reports.

Mr. Buzzard discussed the property at 706 Parry owned by Margaret Ott.

Alderman Gardner made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (a) of the Code of Ordinances, that we make the following findings: with regard to the house and storage building located at 706 Parry and owned by Margaret Ott, the same is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the Code of Ordinances and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and the procedures required by the Article V of Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances have been substantially followed. Alderman Gilkey seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Gardner made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (d) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, that an order be issued which includes our findings that the house and storage building located at 706 Parry, and owned by, Margaret Ott is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the Code of Ordinances is detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and mandates that the said house and storage building be repaired or demolished or removed and designates the City Administrator or Assistant City Administrator to sign the order on behalf of the City. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Next, Mr. Buzzard discussed the property at 1006 Oak owned by Cathy Cantrell.

Alderman Gardner made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (a) of the Code of Ordinances, that we make the following findings with regard to the house and storage building located at 1006 Oak and owned by Cathy Cantrell, the same is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the code of ordinances and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and the procedures required by the Article V of Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances have been substantially followed. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Griffith made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (d) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, that an order be issued which includes our findings that the house and storage building located at 1006 Oak, and owned by, Cathy Cantrell is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the Code of Ordinances is detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and mandates that the said house and storage building be repaired or demolished or removed and designates the City Administrator or Assistant City Administrator to sign the order on behalf of the City. Alderman Chesnut seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Then Mr. Buzzard discussed the property at 708 Parry owned by Steven Tanner.

Alderman Griffith made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (a) of the Code of Ordinances, that we make the following findings with regard to the house and storage building located at 708 Parry and owned by Steven Tanner, the same is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the code of ordinances and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and the procedures required by the Article V of Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances have been substantially followed. Alderman Main seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Gilkey made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (d) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, that an order be issued which includes our findings that the house and storage building located at 708 Parry, and owned by, Steven Tanner is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the Code of Ordinances is detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and mandates that the said house and storage building be repaired or demolished or removed and designates the City Administrator or Assistant City Administrator to sign the order on behalf of the City. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Next Mr. Buzzard discussed the property at 603 Grand owned by Ralph Brummett.

Alderman Riegel made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (a) of the Code of Ordinances, that we make the following findings with regard to the house and storage building located at 603 Grand and owned by Ralph Brummett, the same is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the code of ordinances and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and the procedures required by the

Article V of Chapter 8 of the Code of Ordinances have been substantially followed. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Griffith made a motion to hereby move, pursuant to Section 8-137 (d) (1) of the Code of Ordinances, that an order be issued which includes our findings that the house and storage building located at 603 Grand, and owned by, Ralph Brummett is a public nuisance under subsections 3, 5, 8, 10 of section 8-134 of the Code of Ordinances is detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city and mandates that the said house and storage building be repaired or demolished or removed and designates the City Administrator or Assistant City Administrator to sign the order on behalf of the City. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Chief Moore discussed the Police reports.

Chief Heinen discussed the Fire reports.

Astra Ferris discussed the Economic Development report. Garrett Brinks from Harry S. Truman Coordinating Council was present and discussed updating the Comprehensive plan.

Alderman Griffith discussed the administrative committee meeting. The committee is recommending a 2.5% increase in wages for all eligible employees. The city will continue paying 100% of employee's medical and dental insurance. Starting wage will increase from \$10.30 to \$11.00.

Alderman Talbott discussed the fees committee meeting. They recommend raising the Variance from \$50 to \$75 to cover the cities cost. Also, they would like to add a \$20 fee per night for using the lights at the ballfield.

Alderman Riegel made the motion to approve the fees as presented. Alderman Main seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Gilkey discussed the public expenditures committee meeting. He mentioned the budget was completed in one meeting and would be presented to full council in June's meeting.

Members reviewed the list of bills. Alderman Griffith made the motion to pay the bills. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes. Therefore, the bills were paid from the following funds:

Mayor Hull read the Treasurer's Report for April 2021. Alderman Chesnut made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Alderman Powell seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

The Municipal Court Report was presented for the month of April 2021. The outstanding balance is \$161,084.51. Alderman Griffith made the motion to approve the report. Alderman Riegel seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

City Clerk, Bev Baker discussed the transfer of the Municipal Court to Associate Court.

Mayor Hull requested changing the June 21, 2021 Council meeting to June 14, 2021. Alderman Main made the motion to approve the date change. Alderman Chesnut seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull presented Resolution No. 456 AMENDING OR REVISING THE 2020-2021 WATER FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAMAR, MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS.

Alderman Talbott made the motion to approve Resolution No. 456 authorizing amending the budget and expenditure of funds for the water fund to purchase the following: \$10,700 mini-X trailer, \$15,000 utility terrain vehicle and \$64,000 1-ton truck. Alderman Main seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull presented Resolution No. 457 AMENDING OR REVISING THE 2020-2021 GENERAL FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAMAR, MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS.

Alderman Griffith made the motion to approve Resolution No. 457 authorizing amending the budget and expenditure of funds for the Police department the following, \$43,999 to replace body and dash camera system, \$12,000 for outer bullet proof vest system, and \$6,017 for purchase of 4 tasers and Street department \$160,000 to purchase a tractor and ditch mower Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull presented Resolution No. 458 AMENDING OR REVISING THE 2020-2021 ELECTRIC FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAMAR, MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS.

Alderman Gilkey made the motion to approve Resolution No. 458 authorizing and amending the budget and expenditure of funds to purchase \$40,000 to purchase a ¾ ton truck from the Electric fund. Alderman Chesnut seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull presented Resolution No. 459 AMENDING OR REVISING THE 2020-2021 PARK FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAMAR, MISSOURI AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS.

Alderman Gardner made the motion to approve Resolution No. 459 authorizing amending the budget and expenditure of funds for the Park Fund of \$7,150 to repair and coat the tennis & basketball courts. Alderman Powell seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull discussed the following reports:

Budget Analysis
Cash and Investments by Fund
Comparison of Bills and Financial Statements
Debt Balances
Economic Development
Electric Sales
Expenses Not Budgeted
Methane Gas Generator Income and Expense
Pooled Cash Report
Sales Tax Revenue
TATS

Next City Administrator Russ Worsley presented his report. He discussed the leak and other issues with the leisure pool. Currently it is believed the leisure pool will be closed for the year. This will not be determined until an advisor reviews the problems on Wednesday and he will make a recommendation. Mason Davis from the Tiger Sharks mentioned the need for the lap pool.

Alderman Griffith made the motion to move into the closed session at 8:09 p.m. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Alderman Chesnut made the motion to move out of the closed session at 8:17 p.m. Alderman Gardner seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Hull asked if there was any more business to come before the council, if not, a motion to adjourn would be in order. Alderman Chesnut made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes. Therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Mike Hull, Mayor

Bev Baker, City Clerk