

MINUTES

City of Center

10/06/2021 6:10 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor, Dennis McMillen called the City Council meeting to order on Wednesday, October 6, 2021, at 6:10 p.m.

In Attendance

Mayor, Dennis McMillen

Alderman, Steven Reynolds

Alderman, Tom Bramblett

Alderwoman, Cristy Browning

Attorney, Joe Brannon

City Clerk, Crystal Kelch

City Clerk Assistant, Jeanne Franke

Absent

Alderman, Shawn Couch

Approval of Minutes, Agenda and Monthly Bills

Alderwoman, Cristy Browning made a motion to approve the September 1, 2021, City Council Meeting Minutes, October 2021 Agenda, and October 2021 Bills with the addition of Banner Fire Equipment for \$375.61. Alderman, Steven Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Public Forum

Maintenance Report

Shane Niffen presented the September Maintenance Report. Shane Informed the council an estimate was received from Advanced Microbial Solutions for sludge removal. We are currently using half the capacity of the lagoon. Council suggested Shane contact Will Scheible for recommendations and would like Mr. Scheible to attend a City Council Meeting.

Steven Reynolds made a motion to approve the purchase of paint and supplies for the exterior of City Hall and City Shed not to exceed \$150.00. Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Cristy Browning made a motion to hire Mark Stroney for the part time/on call Maintenance Assistant. Tom Bramblett seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business

Chemicals for Sewer Root Control: Alderwoman, Cristy made a motion to approve the purchase of a 55-gallon drum of root control for \$1210.00, Alderman, Tom Bramblett Seconded. Motion Passed 3-0.

Follow-Up Report on Audit Findings: Mayor, Dennis McMillen, informed the Council a phone conference was held with Todd Schuler to discuss the Follow-Up Report and what policies and procedures can be put in place to improve any areas of concern. Toom Bramblett, Crystal Kelch, and Jeanne Franke was also present for the conference.

New Business

Fire Insurance Renewal: Alderman, Steven Reynolds made a motion for the city to pay half (1/2) the Center Rural Fire Department Insurance through Trust GDC in the amount of \$2110.50. Alderwoman, Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

City Clerk Bond: Alderman, Steven Reynolds made a motion to purchase a 50,000.00 Public Officials Bond from Hawkins Harrison Insurance to insure Crystal Kelch for \$110.00. Alderwoman, Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Speed Limit Sign – Annex by Liters: Alderman, Steven Reynolds made a motion to contact Missouri Department of Transportation to move the reduce speed limit sign to 35 MPH past the entrance to Liters Convenience Store. Alderwoman, Cristy Browning seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Part Time Maintenance Assistant: A motion was made during the Maintenance Report.

List for Mark Twain Regional Council of Government: Alonna Kiser suggested we come up with a "Wish List" of items that would benefit City of Center. If a grant becomes available that will cover any of the items listed, they will contact us. Council added the following items to the list.

- Printer/Copier/Scanner for City Hall
- Small Tractor for Maintenance Repairs
- Remodel of Lions Club
- New Police Vest
- Spotlight on City Police Truck

Mayor, Dennis McMillen informed the Council we can add to this list at any time.

Bank Account Signers: Alderwoman, Cristy Browning made a motion to add Crystal Kelch to all accounts at Royal Banks of Missouri with the rule that the City Clerk or the Assistant City Clerk shall be one signer and the Mayor or assigned Alderman shall be the second signer. Alderman, Tom Bramblett seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

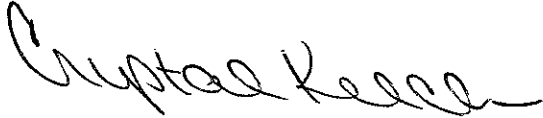
Wi-Fi at Mason Park: City Council was informed it will cost from \$70.00-\$100.00 monthly for Ralls Tech Internet Services at Mason Park. Council suggested Crystal Kelch attempt to make an agreement with a neighboring house to connect to their Wi-Fi.

Wastewater Improvements: Council reviewed the bid from Advanced Microbial Solutions, LLC for sludge removal.

Next Meeting will be held November 3, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Alderwoman, Cristy Browning made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Alderman, Steven Reynolds seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Crystal Kelch". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Crystal Kelch

City Clerk