

October 23, 2014

The City Council met in adjourned session with Mayor Trey Joy presiding. Council members present: Fletcher Bolton, Lynn Zierlein, Dave Conaway, Chris Cole and Adam Rentschler.

Others present: Bill Phillips, Terri Jones, Garoleen Wilson, Alicia Strother, Jamie Marshall, Bob Wagner, Galen Lambert and Brad Howland.

Motion by Zierlein, seconded by Rentschler to approve the minutes for October 9, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.

Garoleen Wilson presented minutes from the Economic Development meeting. The E.D. Revolving Loan Fund was discussed, along with an explanation from the Council of the difference in guidelines of that loan and the City Revolving Loan Fund. Motion by Zierlein, seconded by Rentschler to approve a loan from the Economic Development Revolving Loan Fund to Nathan Jacobs, as recommended by the board, in the amount of \$150,000 for 10 years. Motion carried. Economic Development board thanked the City and City employees for their efforts in the removal and clean-up of the Planter Building. E.D. will be hosting an appreciation meal for Council, City employees, and their families on November 17th, 2014. Motion by Rentschler, seconded by Bolton to adopt Ordinance 1004-Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. Motion carried. Wilson discussed with the Council possible new business interests and the Store Front Grant.

Alicia Strother presented the health insurance renewal information. Open enrollment is scheduled for the last two weeks in November.

Terri Jones reported to the Council that Innes Electric, Phillipsburg, has the equipment needed to reach the Old Mill Blades for removal, in the amount of \$100 per hour. It was the consensus of the Council to have the blades removed and replace the Christmas lights on the Old Mill at the same time.

Discussion was held concerning compliance of building and fence permits. No action taken.

Rentschler reported on the removal and clean-up of the iron pile at the shop by Mike Rogers. Mr. Rogers will give the City 33% of the profit from scrapping.

Disability insurance guidelines were established by the Council. Any employee qualifying for use of short term disability insurance is not required to use up any leave time currently held. The employee may also choose to use leave in conjunction with disability insurance as long as the total of the two do not exceed the employee's current salary.

Council noted their appreciation to the Smith County State Bank & Trust Company Charitable Trust for the grant of \$3,950 for moving and refurbishing the gazebo, the extension of the patio at the clubhouse and two picnic tables at the Municipal Golf Course.

The Recreation Commission, in their rotation of fleet, proposed trading in to upgrade for a new compact utility tractor/mower, with a trade difference of \$11,307. Moved by Rentschler, seconded by Conaway to approve purchase. Motion carried. Cole abstained.

Jamie Marshall gave the Police Department report. John Jeffrey will begin with the Smith Center Police Department on November 1, 2014. Officers Marshall and Miner attended Taser training and Ebola training.

Discussion was held on an application from Peterson Industries for \$250,000 from the Revolving Loan Fund. Motion by Conaway, second by Zierlein to approve loan for \$170,000 with the standard terms and subordinate with Peoples Bank for current loan. Motion passed.

Zierlein reported that the new hanger door has been installed at the Municipal Airport.

Motion by Rentschler, second by Cole to go into executive session, non-elect personnel, for 10 minutes. Motion carried. In session at 9:22pm – out of session at 9:32pm.

Motion by Bolton seconded by Cole to adjourn at 9:33pm. Motion carried.

