

COUNCIL & STAFF PRESENT:

Martha Rowe	Mayor
Jill McCord	Council member
Tom Mayer	Council member
Aaron Rodgerson	Council member
Howard Hickman	City Attorney
Mari E. Macomber	City Manager
Vickie Brumbaugh	City Clerk
Randy Behrens	Fire Chief
John Buckwalter	Public Works Director
Laura Guy	Finance Director
Jim Hughes	Police Chief

The City Council of the City of Kirksville, Missouri, met in a Regular Session on Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE

Reverend Curtis Ferguson, of the Rehoboth Baptist Church, gave the Invocation. The Mayor and City Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ORDER OF AGENDA

No changes.

MINUTES

Council member McCord moved to approve the minutes of the regular session of February 19, 2008; seconded by Council member Mayer. The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Joe Conway stated that he had been told the City Council would not approve car shows downtown any more. The City Manager responded that there has not been a request for a car show downtown. Mr. Conway asked if LaPlata residents received a water rate increase, the same as Kirksville residents, since their water is received from the Kirksville water supply. City Manager Macomber replied that LaPlata receives water through the Adair County Water District, and the rate increase was for service delivery, and was made to their meters. A Council member added that Kirksville's water rate had not been increased for 20 years.

Lance Finer, 615 East McPherson, pointed out there are streets that need to be rebuilt with curb and guttering. He sited Davis Street in particular.

Brenda Sewell, owner of Uptown Café, 112 North Franklin, resides on Highway 3, questioned why the City wants to tear off the downtown awnings. City Manager Macomber is checking with the manufacturer on the life span of the canopies, and what it will take to maintain them. City Manager Macomber clarified that it is not the City Council who wanted the awnings removed. A few years ago, a group of downtown merchants said they wanted the awnings off.

ACTION PRESENTATIONS

Funding Agreement w/A.T. Still for Jefferson St

Council member Mayer moved to authorize the Mayor to execute a funding agreement for Jefferson Street; seconded by Council member Rodgerson.

City Manager Macomber reported that A.T. Still University expressed interest to partner with the City to achieve an entryway at Jefferson and Elson, reimbursing the city for the cost of sidewalk and lighting. An estimate of this work is \$98,939. TIF funds will be contributed in the amount of \$67,330 to continue with completion of the Jefferson Street project.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Bid – Activated Carbon

Council member Mayer moved to approve the purchase of powdered activated carbon from Norit Americas, Inc. for \$0.54/pound; seconded by Council member McCord.

John Buckwalter explained that the Council approved water treatment chemical bids in February, except the powdered activated carbon. Additional testing on the carbon was done to find the most effective. Noret was the lowest bid and the most effective.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Bid – Dump Truck

Council member Rodgerson moved to approve the purchase of a 2008 three-ton truck with a 15 foot dump body from Al Scheppers Motor Company of Jefferson City for a net cost of \$70,570; seconded by Council member McCord.

John Buckwalter explained the purchase of this dump truck replaces a 1997 International three-ton tandem axel dump truck. The truck was spec with minimum standards, and the bid came in well under budget. It is requested that the truck be upgraded with a larger engine to support trailer towing, power mirrors and LED lights, pre-wired for radio, bed be modified with the addition of a spreader lip for asphalt, and an electric tarp roller and tarp be added to permit hauling of loose material, at an additional cost of \$3,670.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Bid – Mower

Council member Mayer moved to authorize the purchase of a John Deere Model 1565 Series II Commercial Front mower with 72-inch side discharge deck and 60 inch blade from Sydenstricker, Inc of Kirksville for a net cost of \$18,628.00; seconded by Council member McCord.

John Buckwalter explained this mower will be used at the airport and replaces a 1995 John Deere mower.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Street Sweeper

Council member Rodgerson moved to authorize the purchase of a street sweeper from Key Equipment Company, Bridgeton, MO for a net cost of \$136,695; seconded by Council member Mayer.

John Buckwalter reported the city currently has a 1997, and a 2000, street sweeper. The scheduled replacement is every seven years. The recommendation is to trade both sweepers in for the new street sweeper. The cost is over the budgeted amount, but because the mower was under budget, there are funds to cover the cost difference.

Lance Finer requested the Council to consider not approving the purchase of the street sweeper, but to use the money to improve streets.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Liquor License – Geno's (2nd request)

Council member McCord moved to approve a liquor license for Geno's 70's Club at 303 West McPherson, contingent upon the City business license being obtained prior to opening; seconded by Council member Mayer.

Laura Guy reported the business license has not been issued yet due to some work being done at the business location.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – nay. Ayes – 3; Nays – 1.

Fire Dept Loose Equipment for Truck

Council member Rodgerson moved to approve the bid of Municipal Emergency Services (MES) for the purchase of hose, nozzles, ladder belts, pry bar, closet hook, hoist tool and adapter for the used ladder/platform truck; seconded by Council member Mayer.

The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe – aye; Council members: Mayer - aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays – none.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Councilmember McCord moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilmember Rodgerson. The motion carried by the following vote: Mayor Rowe, aye; Council members: Mayer – aye; McCord – aye; Rodgerson – aye. Nays, none.

Mayor Rowe adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Vickie Brumbaugh, CMC, MRCC
City Clerk