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Roll call taken by Mayor Tim Smith.

Present: Stephen Short, Anthony Miller, Samantha Bowman, Tom Gourley, Dayna Ault. Stephen Foley absent.

Call to order at 6:32p.m.

### PRESENTATION: MIKE BELL, SUPERINTENDENT OF FAIR GROVE SCHOOLS

Mr. Bell stated Fair Grove Schools is one of 69 schools out of 518 state wide that does not have a "Full Prop C Waiver." Fair Grove Schools has the lowest expenditure per student than any other school in Greene County. Prop C Waiver would increase revenue to the school district approximately \$160,000 per year. Mr. Bell stated if Prop C Waiver passed the money will be used for maintenance issues like asbestos floor tile removal, fixing exterior brick walls, roof replacement and repairs, bus fleet rotation, and routine HVAC replacement and repairs. Mr. Bell gave example that this year's mandatory roll back tax levy is \$2.75; if Prop C waiver passed this year's tax levy would have been \$2.9985

Alderman Gourley stated this needed to pass. Gourley wants everyone to get behind this for the School District.

# PRESENTATION: CITY TREASURER, LESLIE TILLMAN TO GIVE CITY FINANCIAL UPDATE.

Leslie stated financials through January represents 58% of fiscal year. Everything is looking good. Tax revenue is running 4% less than last year, property tax is a little ahead of last year. Overall revenues are flat. Sewer is at 58% right in line as it should be. Streets are below their budget due to overlay project coming in lower than expected.

Park Board capital expenditures are over by \$40,000. Leslie stated she is a little concerned about Park borrowing/leasing money.

Bowman stated citizens concerned if Park Board is following procurement procedures.

Consensus of Board to have a combined meeting with Park Board March 14th or 28th.

Motion by Short to have Bowman have questions for Park Board and set combined meeting with Park Board. Second Miller.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

## VACANCY ON PARK BOARD AND PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION.

Need citizens to serve on these boards.

## UPDATE CRACK SEALING OF CITY STREETS. (Short)

Short reported crack sealing has been successful. Doing the worst streets first. Sealant will prevent water from getting into the streets. Street Committee goal is the get all streets sealed. Short request to hire a temporary employee for this job. Job has been posted and on agenda further into meeting.

Gourley stated this is a good prerequisite to micro-sealing. Doing this in-house is much cheaper. Consensus of Board to move forward with additional product for crack sealing.

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Mayor Smith stepped away from Board table do to conflict of interest.

### DISCUSS PRIVATE PROPERTY ENCROACHMENTS ON CITY SEWER MAIN

**LINES**. (Short) Mr. Short provided samples of encroachment resolutions and permits from other cities that address this issue. A house was built over a sewer main line. This

Agreement/Resolution between property owner and city will document the facts. Short stated this agreement will need to be recorded.

Clerk will scan and email the samples to the board members. This will be on next agenda.

Mayor Smith returned to board table 7:12p.m.

BILL NO 17-01 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A MUNICIPAL CODE TEXT AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 405: ZONING REGULATIONS: ARTICLE II-DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATIONS, SECTION 405.100 DEFINITIONS; ARTICLE V- ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS, SECTION 405.320 C-1 GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT, A. PERMITTED USES; AND E. DESIGN REQUIREMENTS; ARTICLE XI- SIGNS, SECTION 405.640 DEFINITIONS; SECTION 405.650 GENERAL PROVISION FOR SIGNS; AND SECTION 405.660 ALLOWED SIGNS. Posted 02/13/2017.

Motion by Ault to have first reading of Bill No 17-01 by title only.

Second Short. Discussion: Bowman discussed illuminated sign.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye.

Mayor Smith read Bill No 17-01 by title only.

Motion by Bowman to approve first reading of Bill No 17-01 by title only and set second reading for March 14th. Second Miller. No discussion.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye...

BILL NO 17-02 AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AND ENACTING A NEW CHAPTER 210, OFFENSES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF FAIR GROVE, COUNTY OF GREENE, STATE OF MISSOURI; AND PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF EXISTING CODE CHAPTER 210; AND PROVIDING WHEN THIS ORDINANCE SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE. Posted 02/13/2017.

Motion by Bowman to have first reading of Bill No 17-02 by title only.

Second Ault. No discussion.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye..

Mayor Smith read Bill No 17-02 by title only.

Motion by Miller to approve first reading of Bill No 17-02 by title only and set second reading for March 14<sup>th</sup>. Second Bowman. No discussion.

Short ave, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye.

## DISCUSS AND OR APPROVE HIRING TEMPORARY EMPLOYEE FOR PUBLIC

WORKS. Job posted 2/21/17 around town, City Hall and website.

One application received from Dennis Terry. Approximate length of time 2 to 3 weeks or until crack sealing work completed.

Motion by Gourley to approve hiring Dennis Terry as a temporary employee for crack sealing work at a rate of pay of \$10 per hour on a as needed basis. Second Bowman.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye, Ault aye.

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piscuss possible sewer Rate Changes. Short reported Sewer Committee met yesterday. They recommend the Board use Option A for a \$2 increase on minimum charge. Short reported it was a two to one vote. Short went over the different options. Short stated he would like to see it higher. Mayor Smith also thought it should be higher to replenish some of the reserve for future maintenance cost. Mayor thought Option D \$5 would be good. Gourley stated he thinks rates should be higher but didn't want to shock citizens. Gourley stated increases should go up a little every year. Increase of \$5 a month is \$60 a year. Miller commented he didn't like going against what Sewer Committee recommended, but knows the increase is needed. Gourley indicated no one on committee had strong feelings either way. Motion by Short to move forward with Option D \$5 increase and Public Hearing will be held March 14th at 6:30p.m. Second Bowman. No more discussion. Short ave, Miller ave, Bowman ave, Gourley ave Ault aye.

# **DISCUSS AND OR APPROVE MML ONLINE TRAINING EXPENDITURES FOR BOARD OF ALDERMEN**. (Ault) Ault reported MML has online training/webinars that runs \$10 to \$20 a session.

Motion by Bowman to approve MML online training expenditures to Board members. Second Miller. No more discussion.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye Ault aye.

Mayor Smith steps away from board table due to conflict of interest.

**DISCUSS CITY NEWSLETTER.** (Ault) Ault reported price for mailing out a newsletter for the city is approximately \$260. Ault stated she would like to make that connection with the citizens. Miller wants this included in next budget cycle.

Consensus of Board to move forward now with Ault putting together newsletter and include newsletter expense in next year's budget. Will also be on next agenda.

**DISCUSS USE TAX**. (Bowman) Bowman attended legislative conference. Most cities already have a use tax; Fair Grove doesn't. Out of state purchases are going to start charging tax and Fair Grove will be left out if we do not have a use tax. The money will go to the state instead of Fair Grove. MML is working on this new legislative wording. Need to put this on hold for a few months until legislation on this issue gets straightened out.

# APPROVE MISSOURI'S HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM AUTHORIZATION FOR TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT. Chief Mallory reported this authorization is needed before they can move forward with a \$12,000 grant application.

Motion by Miller to approve authorization of Traffic Enforcement Missouri's Highway Safety Program. Second Ault. No discussion.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye Ault aye.

**SEWER REPORT** Hokanson present. Contractors have started replacing the 11 manholes. Influent pump having issues at the plant; was called in last night.

Need to buy a tap to clean threads for bolts on manholes.

AT&T is working on damaged manhole on Walker Lane. AT&T will be replacing that manhole. Risers are ordered for Swan Street and Cottonwood Street. Will be installed as soon as possible.

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**PUBLIC WORKS** Hokanson present. Crack sealing is the main thing happening. This will preserve streets far into future.

Culvert repair on Willow Street and at Saddle Club and Meadowlark next on priority list. City Contractor is out of pocket right now and he is needed for the culvert repairs.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT** Motion by Bowman to approve January financial statements as presented. Second Ault.

Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye Ault aye.

#### PARK BOARD

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** Greg Porter present. Fourth Quarter request has been approved. Will be receiving payment soon. State Mini Grant application is in for a 2017 F150 4x4 for emergency management. Should be informed by mid-March if we received the grant. Crosslines donated 114 cots and 70 blankets to emergency management. These will be stored at the school in case of a disaster.

POLICE DEPARTMENT Chief Mallory reported new vehicle should be in Monday.

CITY CLERK Spring Clean Up (recycling) was discussed.

Public Hearing March 14th Sewer rates.

Community Cyber Security is September 6-7 was hoping Miller could attend this.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Planning and Zoning has a survey online for citizens to take on city website. This will help with putting together the comprehensive plan.

## APPROVE BOARD OF ALDERMAN MINUTES

Motion by Miller to approve January 24, 2017 minutes. Second Bowman. Short aye, Miller aye, Bowman aye, Gourley aye Ault aye.

MAYOR REPORT Mayor Smith thanked the Streets and Public Works Committee for all their work.

**ADJOURNMENT** Motion by Miller. Second Bowman. All ayes. Adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

Submitted by	