

Mayor Grenke called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Aldermen Don Bormann, Jerry Hensley, Paul Million, Jerry Parmeley and Catherine Simmons answered roll call.

Alderman Orsini was absent from the meeting.

Also present were City Administrator Lynn P. Behrns, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon, Don Bagley, John Hummel with MECO Engineering, Linda Bormann, Randall Simmons and Head Start group - Adam Tipton, Darin Priest and Roberta DeOrnellis.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Grenke asked for approval of the Consent Agenda in its entirety or any items to be pulled for comment or correction.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes of Prior Meeting
- B. Minutes of Public Works and Public Utilities Committee Meeting
- C. Minutes of General Government Committee Meeting
- D. Minutes of Planning and Zoning Commission Reports
 - 1. Treasurer's & Collector's Reports
 - 2. Activity Reports

Motion was made by Alderman Simmons to accept the consent agenda in its entirety. Alderman Parmeley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Accounts Payable over \$1250 were presented in the amount of \$277,860.63 as follows:

Ameren Services-MC 1037 (Transmission Charges)	\$	12,452.12
Ameren Energy Marketing (Wholesale Energy)	\$	217,467.16
Barnes, Henry, Meisenheimer & Gende Inc (Substation Engineering)	\$	4,012.50
Boone Central Title CO. (Title Ins & Building risk ins)	\$	3,030.00
Boone County Planning & Zoning	\$	5,587.87
Century Tel (June Statement)	\$	1,316.99
City Of Columbia (June 2009 Landfill charges)	\$	7,261.84
Engineering Surveys & Services (Wastewater Testing)	\$	2,044.00
Hardesty Construction (July Cemetery Mowing)	\$	2,133.00
Huber & Associates (Billable time & Repairs \$770.78)	\$	1,348.91
Lubrication Engineers (Quinplex white oil \$ 2065.80)	\$	2,472.83
MFA Oil (Fuel)	\$	5,096.34
MECO Engineering (Partial payment engineering design Lakeview sewer)	\$	4,000.00
Centralia Public Library (Payment for Demolition of substandard house)	\$	1,500.00
Kinkead Radio Shack (Reek Center TV's, WII, TV Cart, Printer, & DVD)	\$	8,137.07

Alderman Parmeley made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$277,860.63. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Adam Tipton with Central Missouri Community Action (CMCA) gave a brief presentation on the programs available for Centralia citizens. CMCA provides many different programs including Head Start, Early Head Start, energy assistance programs, weatherization program, foster grandparents as well as assistance for lower income families. The goal is to help families pull themselves out of poverty. Due to budget constraints the Head Start program will be going from full day to ½ day. He stated currently our city does not participate in the state contract for energy assistance which means those citizens receiving assistance from this fund receive the money directly instead of it being paid to the city. CMCA recognizes they cannot do it all, therefore, reaches out to area communities for assistance in supporting their programs. He further stated they are looking at putting a satellite office in the local Head Start office here to make it more convenient for area citizens to receive assistance.

When Alderman Simmons asked what precipitated the change in the Head Start program from full-day to ½ day, Mr. Tipton stated Early Reading First, a federal grant program, was subsidizing the literary program. When this grant ended, the CMCA funding would not cover a full-day program.

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Darin Priest, executive director of Head Start, stated American Recovery Program Funds will be coming available and will be used to expand work currently being done. Under this program the weatherization program will expand ten-fold. They plan on doing about 600 homes this coming year versus the 120 homes completed last year. More employment training funds will be available with this program. They are applying for additional Head Start funds, but most of this funding will go to Columbia, Fulton and Glasgow.

City Clerk Colvin explained to the board members, the city does participate in other energy assistance programs provide by CMCA but the city does not participate in "Liheap", the state contract program. There were certain stipulations in the state contract the city administrator found undesirable in the past. Colvin had asked CMCA staff several months ago about setting up a meeting with city staff to review this contract in detail but CMCA had not responded as of yet. Mr. Tipton stated the CMCA staff will set up a meeting to discuss the state contract. Mr. Behrns also suggested putting a link to the CMCA website from our website. CMCA will also send additional pamphlets to the city office so citizens can learn more about the programs they offer.

Don Bagley residing at 711 E Brick had concerns about dogs and cats running loose. He suggested the city consider a license fee of \$30 if the dog or cat is not spayed or neutered. And, if an animal is picked up to be taken to the pound, then the animal must be spayed or neutered before the owner receives the animal back or pay a higher fee.

PUBLIC HEARING: None Scheduled.

ACTION AGENDA:

Finance: None Scheduled.

Permits and Licenses - None scheduled.

Legal:

ORDINANCE: Authorizing Updated Contract with Boone County, Missouri for Services Relating to the Collection of Property Taxes

Mr. Beck presented an updated contract with Boone County for the collection of city property taxes. Primarily the agreement was updated due to a state law change that affected the amount collected by one of the county offices. The new county attorney added some additional provisions that clarified items the city was already doing but was not specified in prior agreements. To avoid doing multiple agreements in the future due to changes in the state law, wording was changed to reflect the county would give written notice but would not require an updated agreement.

Alderman Hensley presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2478 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE AN UPDATED TAX COLLECTION AGREEMENT WITH BOONE COUNTY, MISSOURI, THE BOONE COUNTY ASSESSOR, THE BOONE COUNTY CLERK AND THE BOONE COUNTY COLLECTOR OF REVENUE TO PROVIDE FOR A STATE LAW CHANGE AND TO MORE FULLY DESCRIBE THE STATE LAW RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT." Alderman Hensley moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Hensley moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Hensley moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hensley, Million, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Orsini did not vote as she was absent from the meeting. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2572.

ORDINANCE: Further Amending City Ordinance Number 1670 Concerning Designated Locations of Stop Signs (Lakeview At Columbia Intersection)

Mr. Behrns reported he and Chief Dudgeon had met with MODOT as previously reported concerning the stop signs at the intersection of Lakeview at Columbia Streets. It was decided the best solution would be to make it a 3-way stop instead of 4-way. Traffic headed westbound would not be required to stop. Don Bagley residing at 711 E. Brick Street stated he appreciated the recommended change but would also like for the council to consider that Lakeview Street be a through street changing the intersection to a 2-way stop on Columbia Street. After brief discussion, Mr. Behrns recommended the 3-way stop with signage stating east bound traffic will not stop.

Alderman Million presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2479 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CENTRALIA CITY ORDINANCE NUMBER 1670 CONCERNING THE LOCATIONS DESIGNATED FOR STOP SIGNS IN THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI ." Alderman Million moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Parmeley and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Million moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Hensley and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Million moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hensley, Million, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Orsini did not vote as she was absent from the meeting. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as

approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2573.

ORDINANCE: Accepting Conveyance of Sanitary Sewer Mains in the Cobblestone Lake Estates Plat 1 Subdivision

Mr. Behrns explained once a subdivision has been platted and recorded, a conveyance of the sanitary sewer system must be completed separately by city ordinance. The sanitary sewer is subject to a one-year warranty. The proposed ordinance would accept the conveyance of the Cobblestone Lake Estates Plat 1 Subdivision sanitary sewer line.

Alderman Bormann presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2480 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE CONVEYANCE OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS AND LINES FROM DESIGNED INNOVATIONS, LLC, TO SERVE LOTS IN COBBLESTONE LAKE ESTATES PLAT 1 SUBDIVISION." Alderman Bormann moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Million and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Bormann moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Million and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Bormann moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Million seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hensley, Million, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Orsini did not vote as she was absent from the meeting. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2574.

PURCHASING:

Asphalt Street Overlays:

Mr. Behrns reported APAC Missouri, Inc. was the low bidder for the street overlay project at \$59.49 per ton. He stated the price was low enough to complete two more blocks of Jenkins Street than originally slated. Alderman Simmons made the motion to accept the low bid of \$59.49 per ton for the street overlay project from APAC Missouri, Inc. Alderman Bormann seconded the project. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE: Authorizing a Retainer Agreement with Spiegel and McDiarmid for Legal Representation Concerning Possible Wholesale Power Supply Agreement

Mr. Behrns reported at a earlier meeting that primarily the City of Hannibal is negotiating for 3 years wholesale electric energy with Ameren Energy. The price being suggested is lower than what we are locked into for next 2 ½ years. If this pricing stays, Mr. Behrns will be recommending we lock the price in. The proposed ordinance would allow authorization quickly for the city to take prudent action to lock in new energy pricing.

Alderman Simmons presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2481 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE A RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH SPIEGEL & MCDIARMID FOR LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE FUTURE AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACTS RELATING TO ELECTRIC POWER SUPPLY AND TRANSMISSION." Alderman Simmons moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Hensley and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Simmons moved the bill be placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Bormann and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Simmons moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Hensley seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hensley, Million, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Orsini did not vote as she was absent from the meeting. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2575.

ORDINANCE: Authorizing Contract with Mick Mehler & Sons, Inc. to Replace Sewer Main in Lakeview Street

Mr. Behrns stated he had underestimated the cost for this project when preparing the current year's budget. He had budgeted \$25,000 for this project. Mr. Behrns introduced John Hummell with Mecco Engineering who had thought the bids would be closer to \$87,000 and the low bid was \$55,775.46 from Mick Mehler and Sons of Silex, Missouri. Mr. Hummel stated Mecco Engineering has worked with Mick Mehler & Sons on previous projects. He considers them a very good contractor and highly recommends them. Mr. Behrns reported the budget can handle the increased amount for this project but it would make it tighter next year for upgrades. The city really needs to complete this project as DNR is tightening on sewer infiltration plus it causes backup problems for residents in the area.

Alderman Parmeley presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2482 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH MICK MEHLER AND SONS, INC. OF SILEX MISSOURI FOR REPLACEMENT OF SANITARY SEWER MAINS ON LAKEVIEW STREET IN THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI." Alderman Parmeley moved that it be placed on its first reading by title only. Before the bill was introduced copies of the bill were made available for public inspection. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read by title only. Alderman Parmeley moved the bill be

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placed on its second reading. Motion was seconded by Alderman Simmons and motion carried unanimously. The bill was then read the second time by title only. The Mayor then called for discussion on the bill and after some discussion Alderman Parmeley moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. The Mayor called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Bormann, Hensley, Million, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. The Mayor declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor and signed by the Mayor as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2576.

John Hummell with Mecco Engineering will prepare the contracts and send them to Mick Mehler and Sons. Mr. Hummell stated he appreciated the board's effective use of time with this project.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor:

Appointments:

Upon the Library Board of Trustees' recommendation, Mayor Grenke requested the approval for the appointment of Kay Cox to the Library Board to replace Don Bormann with a term to expire in 2010. Alderman Parmeley made the motion to approve the appointment of Kay Cox to the Library Board with a term to expire in 2010. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Aldermen:

Alderman Parmeley reported the MS organization is sponsoring a charity ride on September 12th – 13th. On the 12th the route will come through Centralia. He asked for permission from the board for the police officers to donate their time to direct traffic at Jefferson and Highway 22 as the bikers will be turning left and right at McDonalds. The time period would be from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Rest stop #2 will be at the Jed Angel property south of town. Mr. Behrns stated the officer would need to be paid for his time by the city to meet fair labor standards. Chief Dudgeon stated he did not see a problem in having an officer available at that intersection during the time frame requested.

City Administrator:

Criteria for Setting Property Tax Rates:

Mr. Behrns reported to the board that the Park Board and Library Board has both made the decision for their 2009 tax levy be set at the maximum rate of \$0.2938 for the Park and \$0.296 cents for the Library general revenue. The Library Debt Service tax levy would remain the same at \$0.0785. The City general fund maximum rate would be \$0.6561. The total rate inside the city library district would be \$1.3244. Outside the library district but in the city limits, the rate would be \$0.9499. An overall increase of 2.8 cents over last year. The tax levy as presented would assist the city in holding their own in maintaining services. After an in-depth discussion, Alderman Bormann made the motion to increase the city general fund tax levy to \$0.6561. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed with Alderman Million voting nay.

Mr. Behrns reports MODOT had completed traffic counts at the railroad crossing on Sims Street at Columbia. It counted an average of 228 automobiles per day in March of this year when school was in session. The Lakeview Street crossing traffic count was completed last week while school was out with a average count of 1,274 per day. The implication is not too many people use the Sims Street crossing during the school year. Mr. Behrns asked the board to think about the count results to discuss at a future meeting. Alderman Parmeley stated he would like to see a traffic count at the Bruton Street crossing.

City Attorney:

Mr. Beck stated he had read the July 13th General Government/Public Safety committee meeting minutes and noticed where Chief Dudgeon had talked about warrant fees for those people who fail to appear in court. A new state law going into effect August 28th is an amendment to the existing law but would allow a new charge of Failure to Appear for those not showing up in court. The city could not adopt an ordinance for the new law until September. If a person once appeared in court, then does not show up at a subsequent date, a new summons could be issued for Failure to Appear. This would create a new ordinance violation, if the city adopted the new law by ordinance. Police could issue a new ticket for not showing up in court. New court costs would also be assessed. Mayor Grenke questioned Mr. Beck about the warrant fees the City of Festus was charging for failure to appear. Mr. Beck stated all courts costs and fees are authorized by the state and he has not found any documentation for warrant fees. He will check with the City of Festus to see what their source of authority is for the warrant fees.

Alderman Hensley left the meeting at 8:30 p.m. and Chief Dudgeon left at 8:35 p.m.

Mr. Beck also had read in the same committee minutes discussion about prosecuting for outstanding utility bills. Mr. Beck explained this would be a civil matter. A bad debt is not a prosecutable offense. In the case of the outstanding bill for Spring Garden, only the one individual who signed the utility service agreement would be held legally responsible. A demand letter could be sent by the city attorney or a collection agency could be used to collect outstanding debts owed the city. Mr. Behrns stated he thought the city would be more successful collecting the outstanding bills on their own instead of a collection agency due to the collection agency's fees. Alderman

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Bormann asked if the city should raise utility deposits for businesses based on usage. Mr. Berhns stated this would be construed as not being "business friendly".

CityClerk: None.

As May Arise:

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Simmons made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.



Kathy Colvin, City Clerk