

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

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

Also present were City Administrator Lynn P. Behrns, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon, Patt Olsen, Lorry Myers, Kevin Griffin, Nancy Griffin, Frances Cayton, Jim and Janey Enlow, Nancy Jeffries, Linda Bormann, Mike Kinkead, and Guard Reporter James Smith.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor Grenke led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Moment of Silence:

Mayor Grenke read from Governor Nixon's new release regarding the death of former Governor Warren E. Hearnes. Mayor Grenke asked for a moment of silence in his memory.

Presentation of Awards:

Mayor Grenke presented Jim and Janey Enlow awards for their years of service to the Centralia Park Board and their work involved with the Centralia Rec Center and the overall parks system.

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. Reports
 - 1. Treasurer's & Collector's Reports
 - 2. Activity Reports

Motion was made by Alderman Orsini 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 \$609,157.33 as follows:

Altec (2009 Bucket Truck per bid in September)	\$102,381.00
Ameren Energy Marketing (Wholesale Electric)	\$222,076.02
Ameren Services -MC 1037 (Transmission Charges)	\$19,790.02
Arkansas Electric Coop (150KVA 120/108 & 240/VW Pad)	\$9,822.00
Barnes, Henry, Meisenheimer & Gende, Inc. (progress payment substation engineering)	\$8,025.00
Boone Quarries (Clean Rock)	\$2,414.03
City of Columbia (Landfill Charges July 2009)	\$7,044.12
Crown Power & Equipment (Units # 15 & 20 Parts & Repairs)	\$2,137.71
Hardesty Construction (August Mowing of Cemetery)	\$2,133.00
HD Supply Waterworks (ADS pipe \$ 3894.01)	\$4,418.38
HD Supply Waterworks (Sample Stations)	\$1,628.86
Huber & Associates (Interpol \$4200.00)	\$5,414.00
JCI (Motor for Benoit Irrigation)	\$1,296.00
Midwest - MISO	\$1,942.90
Schulte Supply (8x24 Fernco Pipe Patch)	\$2,460.00
UMB Bank (Library GO Bond Pmt Int Only)	\$6,095.00
UMB Bank (MAMU -08 Electric Substation Lease Pmt)	\$13,678.31
Virginia Transformer Corp (Payment on Substation Transformer)	\$69,700.00
Whalen Services (Robert, Reams & Smith Grave Openings)	\$1,275.00
Bum & McDonnell (Engineering on Water Well # 3 Replacement)	\$4,307.00
Joe Bryson (Sewer Camera Truck)	\$3,000.00
MFA Oil (fuel)	\$4,151.48
Williams Keepers (Accounting \$3804.00 Audit \$3522.00)	\$7,326.00
Virginia Transformer Corp (Payment on Substation Transformer)	\$104,550.00
Cummins Mid South (Preventive Maintenance for Generators)	\$2,091.50

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Gary Woolfolk arrived for meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Alderman Osrini made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$609,157.33. Alderman Parmeley seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

PUBLIC HEARING:

Setting Property Tax Rates for 2009:

Mayor Grenke opened the hearing at 7:06 pm. to receive comment on setting the property tax rates for 2009. Mr. Behrns reported he had advertised the public hearing in the Centralia Fireside Guard with the rates set as instructed to the maximum allowed for the General, Library and Park Funds. The Library Bond tax rate would be set at the same rate as last year. The proposed rates are as follows:

2009 tax rates:	General Fund =	\$.6561
	Library General Revenue =	\$.2960
	Park Fund =	\$.2938
	Library Bond =	\$.0785
	Total =	\$1.3244

Mr. Behrns also reported no comments had been received prior to the meeting. The only real new income from the proposed tax rates would be from the real estate taxes on new construction. The proposed tax rates would be an increase of \$.0278 cents. No comments were received during the hearing. Mayor Grenke closed the public hearing at 7:10 p.m.

ACTION AGENDA:

Finance:

ORDINANCE: Setting Property Tax Rates for 2009

Alderman Orsini presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2483 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE ANNUAL RATE OF TAXATION IN THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2009 FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES, FOR MAINTENANCE AND THE SUPPORT OF THE LIBRARY, FOR DEBT SERVICE OF OUTSTANDING LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION BONDS AND FOR ESTABLISHING AND MAINTAINING FREE PUBLIC PARKS." Alderman Orsini 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 Orsini 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 Orsini 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, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. 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 2577.

Permits and Licenses - None scheduled.

Legal:

ORDINANCE: Authorizing Settlement Agreement with AT&T/SBC Landline Concerning Unpaid Telephone License Taxes

Mr. Behrns reported the settlement agreement had been discussed during committee with a total payment of \$185.86.

Alderman Million presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2484 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT WITH AT&T/SBC LANDLINE." 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 Orsini 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 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 Million moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Orsini 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, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. 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 2578.

ORDINANCE: Amending City Code Provisions to Lengthen the Probationary Period for Police Officers

Alderman Hensley presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2485 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 22-31 OF THE CENTRALIA CITY CODE TO PROVIDE DIFFERENT PROBATIONARY PERIOD REQUIREMENTS FOR CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT MEMBERS." 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 Orsini 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, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. 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 2579.

Mayoral Appointments:

Upon Chief Dudgeon's recommendation Mayor Grenke requested the approval for the appointment of Corporal Paul Morgan to Lieutenant. Alderman Simmons made the motion to approve the appointment of Corporal Paul Morgan to Lieutenant. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Upon Chief Dudgeon's recommendation Mayor Grenke requested the approval for the appointment of Officer Nick Helm to Corporal. Alderman Orsini made the motion to approve the appointment of Officer Nick Helm to Corporal. Alderman Simmons seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Upon the recommendation of the Park Board Mayor Grenke requested the re-appointment of Jeff Ryan to the Park Board with a term to expire in 2012. Alderman Orsini made the motion to approve the re-appointment of Jeff Ryan to the Park Board with a term to expire in 2012. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

Daryl Spaulding arrived for the meeting at 7:25 p.m.

ORDINANCE: Approving Compensation for Two Promoted City Employees

Alderman Bormann presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2486 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO FIX THE COMPENSATION OF TWO EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI." 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 Parmeley 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 Parmeley 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, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. 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 2580.

ORDINANCE: Re-adopting Sections 2-7 and 2-8 of Centralia City Code Concerning Procedure for Disclosure of Certain Financial and Other Interests of Public Officials in Matters Affecting the City

Mr. Beck explained to the board the proposed re-adoption of Sections 2-7 and 2-8 is necessary to continue filing the "short form" financial disclosure reports as required by state law. This ordinance is required to be re-adopted every two years to be in compliance with the Missouri Ethics Commission.

Alderman Simmons presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2487 to create an ordinance entitled "AN ORDINANCE TO RE-ADOPT SECTION 2-7 AND 2-8 OF THE CENTRALIA CITY CODE CONCERNING PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN CITY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES TO DISCLOSE CERTAIN FINANCIAL AND OTHER INTERESTS IN MATTERS AFFECTING THE CITY OF CENTRALIA, MISSOURI." 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 Orsini 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 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 Simmons moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman Orsini 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, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. 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 2581.

PURCHASING: None Scheduled.

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OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Behrns relayed to the Board that Insituform will begin work tomorrow on Green Street to slip line the sewer. The new sanitation truck is scheduled to arrive next week. Mehler & Sons, Inc. completed their work on repairing the sewer on East Lakeview Street today. Mr. Behrns and City Clerk Colvin will meet with Allied Foam Technologies and the Missouri State Department of Economic Development this Friday to review the accounting process and disbursement of funds for the small business loan funded by the state for Allied Foam Technologies.

Mayor Grenke informed the board the Redwood Motel hearing had been reset for September 16th at 3 p.m. for the condemnation process of the property. The recent sales contract was not completed, thus, the re-scheduling of the hearing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor: None.

Aldermen:

Alderman Orsini reported the Mayor had received communication from JR's Diner commending Officer Nick Helm's quick response to a bat in the restaurant. He successfully knocked the bat unconscious and was able to retrieve it from the premises.

City Administrator: None.

City Attorney:

Mr. Beck followed up on the discussion of warrant fees from the last board meeting. He found the City of Festus adopted their city code that dealt with warrant fees in 1978 in a provision that allowed warrant fees to be assessed based on state prosecution and approval of the judge. The City of Festus has their own municipal judge not a associate judge like our city. Mr. Beck believes the City of Festus' city ordinance is out of date and there is not state law currently that allows a warrant fee to be assessed. However, Mr. Beck did recommend the city adopt an ordinance next month based on the state law going into effect August 28th that allows a failure to appear summons to be issued when a defendant fails to show up in court. This would be a separate criminal municipal ordinance violation. Mr. Beck will prepare an ordinance for the board to review next month.

Chief Dudgeon requested the ordinance include a mileage reimbursement be included to reimburse the city mileage when an officer must retrieve someone being held out of town on a failure to appear warrant. Mr. Beck stated this may take a separate ordinance to address this issue.

Mike Kinked left the meeting at 7:39 p.m.

CityClerk

City Clerk Colvin requested anyone wishing to attend the MML Conference in October (4th – 7th) to contact her by next Monday, August 24th. Those attending at this time are: Mayor Grenke, Alderman Bormann, Alderman Simmons and Clerk Colvin. Alderman Million is considering attending the conference.

As May Arise:

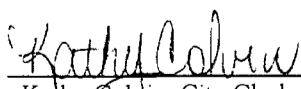
Alderman Parmeley asked if the street sweeper was in operation. Mr. Behrns reported it was not at this time due to the water reservoir on the sweeper not working. He stated it should be back in service soon.

Alderman Parmeley reported there would be about 3,000 cyclists coming through Centralia on September 12th for the MS organization. He stated it will take a community effort for this to be a success and asked for volunteers to assist with it. The route through Centralia is on Jefferson Street and they hope to see a lot of spectators cheering them on along Jefferson Street.

Due to the Labor Day holiday the Public Works/Public Utilities Committee meeting will be held Tuesday, September 8th.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.



Kathy Colvin, City Clerk