

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

Roll Call: Aldermen Jon Angell, Don Bormann, Jessica Orsini, Jerry Parmeley and Catherine Simmons answered roll call.

Mayor Grenke and Alderman Million were absent from the meeting.

Also present were City Administrator Lynn P. Behrns, City Attorney Merritt Beck, Police Chief Larry Dudgeon, Steve Oberman, Don Bagley, Linda Yager, and Guard Reporter James Smith.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

Mayor Protem Simmons led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Mayor Protem Simmons 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 Orsini to accept the consent agenda in its entirety. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously. Steve Oberman, Chairman of the Centralia Accessibility Committee, mentioned the General Government/Public Safety minutes stated the CAC bylaws were being worked on but they actually were completed. Alderman Orsini made the motion to amend the General Government/Public Safety committee minutes to reflect this change. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Accounts Payable over \$1250** were presented in the amount of \$514,886.59 as follows:

Ameren Energy Marketing (Wholesale Electric)	\$	184,292.38
Ameren Service -MC1037 (Transmission Charges)	\$	13,686.02
Ameren UE (Heating)	\$	2,693.06
Boone Quarries (City Park Clean Rock \$ 2399.64)	\$	3,765.84
City Of Columbia (March Landfill Charges)	\$	6,800.36
Cummins Mid-South (Annual Maintenance agreement for Generator)	\$	2,055.49
Flynn Drilling Co Inc. (Repairs to Well # 4)	\$	32,057.00
Hardesty Construction (April Cemetery Mowing)	\$	4,268.93
HD Supply Waterworks (42" ADS Pipe \$2519.40)	\$	3,420.24
KIOWA Line Builders Inc (Progress payment express circuit)	\$	87,315.13
MFA Oil (Fuel)	\$	6,196.56
MISO	\$	2,010.13
MSHP ME DIV (2005 Patrol Car W/Emergency Equipment)	\$	10,495.00
Special Election 2	\$	1,268.94
UMB Bank (MAMU08 Lease Payment Electric Substation)	\$	12,207.54
US Bank (Lakeview Lease Purchase Payment)	\$	142,353.97

Alderman Parmeley made the motion to approve the Accounts Payable over \$1250 in the amount of \$514,886.59. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:**

Don Bagley residing at 711 E Brick was present to express his concern that Brick Street was not on the list of streets to be over-layed this year. He stated the street is just one block long but has been in terrible shape for years. He believes if it is not repaired this year, it will return to a rock road. He realizes all the streets are in need of repair but he would like for the council to consider Brick Street to be added to the list as well. Mr. Behrns reported information he has received regarding asphalt pricing will make it difficult to asphalt overlay the top three streets on the list. The board agreed to look at Brick Street and give it consideration.

Linda Yager residing at 311 S. Allen Street was present on behalf of her tenants at the Centralia Apartments to see what the outcome regarding the Saddle Saloon complaints from her tenants. It was reported the Mayor had been at the business and stayed until closing. In the Mayor's estimation it was not a problem. Ms. Yager stated she was in

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her office over the weekend at that location and she could hear it. She witnessed a truck in the parking of the Saddle Saloon gunning its engine and throwing gravel. She reported it was not necessarily the music she had heard but more of a definite pounding. She reported a tenant had left her own apartment for the night to sleep at a friend's house in order to get enough sleep to report to work the next day. The owner of the Saddle Saloon, Troy Palmer, has met with the Mayor and Chief Dudgeon. Chief Dudgeon reported he had set outside the Saddle Saloon a couple of weekends ago when a couple of Centralia Apartment residents had called the police department to complain. Chief Dudgeon said he had even gotten out of his vehicle and could not even pick out a song being played. If he listened and paid attention he thinks he could hear what he believed to be a bass drum. Chief Dudgeon stated he believes the city has done as much as they can do. Ms. Yager stated the sound was irritating and sounded like someone hitting a barrel with a board. Alderman Orsini stated the owner of the business has been very forthcoming and the area is zoned M-1 industrial. She does not believe there is anything the city could do.

Daryl Spauldin arrived for the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Ms. Yager stated the noise is affecting her tenant's quality of life and does not understand why the city cannot do anything. Alderman Orsini stated her best recommendation would be for the owner of the Centralia Apartments to construct a baffle wall between the apartments and the business. The Saddle Saloon is operating within the confines of the zoning laws.

Mr. Behrns asked Chief Dudgeon if he has received similar complaints from the Columbia Oak Apartments. He stated he has not. Ms. Yager said she has not talked to the Columbia Oaks apartment manager but she knows at one time it was a concern for the Columbia Oaks tenants. Ms. Yager stated she will talk to her management company.

Ms. Yager left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None Scheduled.

**ACTION AGENDA:**

**Finance:**

**Delinquent Tax Report:**

Copies of the Boone County Delinquent Tax Report for both Personal Property and Real Estate Taxes as of March 31, 2010 had been distributed to the board on April 12<sup>th</sup>. The total personal property taxes outstanding as of March 31<sup>st</sup> were \$11,530.98. The total real estate taxes outstanding were \$18,064.43.

**Report on County Tax Abatements:**

The Boone County Collector had submitted a report to the City Collector for the abatement of 2004 personal property taxes that are considered to be uncollectible in the amount of \$178.76 for the General Fund Revenue and the Parks and Rec as well as \$72.45 for the Library and Library Bond funds for a grand total of \$251.21.

**Utility Bills Bad Debts Charge-offs as of 3/31/10:**

City Clerk Colvin had submitted a report to approve the charge-off of uncollected utility bills through December 31, 2009 in the amount of \$15,795.77. These utility bills had been deemed not immediately collectible but staff would have the information readily available if any of the account owners happened to return for utility service. Collection of any outstanding balances would be made at that time.

Alderman Parmeley made the motion to accept all three reports 1) Boone County Delinquent Tax Report for both Personal Property and Real Estate Taxes as of March 31, 2010, 2) Boone County Collector Report to abate the 2004 personal property taxes, and 3) the Utility Bills Bad Debt Charge-Offs as of March 31, 2010. Alderman Orsini seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Permits and Licenses -** None scheduled.

**Legal:** None scheduled.

**PURCHASING:**

**ORDINANCE: Contract with U S Cellular for Cell Phone and Two-year Service Agreement**

Mr. Behrns reported a service contract with U S Cellular would require board approval since it extended beyond a one year term. The proposed ordinance could allow the city to contract with the cell phone company for two years to purchase a cell phone for the Mayor for a one time fee of \$29.95. The monthly fee during the two year contract would be \$74.90 per month including a data line with unlimited internet access

Alderman Orsini presented a bill marked and designated as bill no. 2516 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 US CELLULAR OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI FOR A CELL PHONE AND TWO-YEAR SERVICE PLAN ." 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 Parmeley 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 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 Orsini moved the final passage of the bill. Alderman

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Bormann seconded the motion. The Mayor Protem called for a roll call vote and the ordinance passed with the following vote. Aldermen voting FOR: Angell, Bormann, Orsini, Parmeley, and Simmons. Voting AGAINST: None. Alderman Million did not vote as he was absent from the meeting. The Mayor Protem declared the bill passed and thereupon signed the same as passed. The bill was approved by the Mayor Protem and signed by the Mayor Protem as approved and was returned to the City Clerk who attested to the signature of the Mayor Protem, affixed the city seal and the Ordinance was designated as Ordinance 2603.

**Fireworks Display and Insurance:**

Mr. Behrns requested the purchase of fireworks in the amount of \$3,000 and insurance in the amount of \$745.00 from J & M Displays of Yarmouth, Iowa for the July 4<sup>th</sup> display as discussed during committee. Mr. Behrns stated the display would be the same number of shells as last year and by approving the purchase now, the city would procure an additional 8% more in merchandise. Alderman Orsini made the motion to purchase the \$3,000 in fireworks plus \$745.00 in liability insurance from J & M Displays from Yarmouth, Iowa for the July 4<sup>th</sup> display. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**Replacement Computers:**

Quotes had been received from Dell to purchase the following computers with government pricing:

Police Dispatch computer	\$1,150.81
Laptop – city clerk	\$1,334.79
2 front office cpu's	at \$826.20 each

The police department dispatch computer upgrade is necessary to enhance the dispatching capabilities for the fire department's emergency medical calls. The quote from Huber & Associates was approximately \$1,612.00 and it was not known for sure if the Dell quote was the exact same specifications as the Huber quote. The staff was still checking on this.

The city clerk's laptop would include the software necessary to be used for the projector in the council room. The laptop could then be used by other departments for training purposes in the council room, when necessary. The two front office replacement cpu's would be following the city's computer policy of replacing the computers on a three year basis (although no computers were replaced last year).

All the purchases were included in the current budget. Mr. Behrns recommended the purchase of the computers with the assurance the Dell quote for the police dispatch computer matched the specifications required for the dispatch computer. Alderman Parmeley made the motion to approve the purchase of the laptop computer in the amount of \$1,334.79 and the two cpu's in the amount of \$1,652.40 from Dell. He further approved the purchase of the police dispatch computer with the amount not to exceed \$1,612.00 from either Dell or Huber, whichever is less and meets the required specifications. Alderman Bormann seconded the motion. On a call by the Mayor Protem for ayes and nays, the motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Mayor:** None.

**Aldermen:**

Mayor Protem Simmons reported she had a note from Mayor Grenke regarding a Lion's Club start-up meeting tomorrow night at JR's Diner at 7 p.m for anyone wishing to attend.

Alderman Bormann reported he had talked to Mayor Grenke about revisiting allowing firemen to serve on city boards. He suggested having the city attorney research what options were available and the pros and cons for changing the existing ordinance. Alderman Bormann stated he personally did not care whether city employees were able to campaign for municipal elections but did believe it would be beneficial to allow the firemen to serve on city boards.

**City Administrator:** None.


**City Attorney:** None.

**CityClerk** None.

**As May Arise:**

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

  
Kathy Colvin, City Clerk