

Minutes of the General Government and Public Safety Committee meeting of Monday, March 8, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Alderman Wilkins, Chairperson at 7:17 p.m.

- I. ATTENDANCE –Aldermen Christina Stevens, Don Rodgers, Landon Magley, David Wilkins, Robert Hudson & Terri Motley.

Others Present: Mayor Chris Cox, City Administrator Heather Russell, Public Works & Utilities Director Mike Forsee, Police Chief Bob Bias, Don & Linda Bormann.

MIRMA representatives Matthew Broderson and Jenne Auck.

- II. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS – Linda Bormann – 800 Jason Ct asked about interest rates for police cars. Police Chief Bob Bias responded.

MIRMA representative Matthew Broderson presented a comparison for Insurance coverage with our current provider. M. Broderson advised there is one coverage packet available to all members. There was general discussion about the different factors going into determining the premium. City Administrator Heather Russell is seeking other quotes.

III. PUBLIC SAFETY –

A. Police Department

1. Activity Report – Chief B. Bias pointed out the continuing education taken through MO Department of Homeland Security;
2. Other – Chief B. Bias handed out new sheet with cost comparisons; pricing includes upfit have vehicle road ready (lights, siren, etc.)

Centralia currently has 9 vehicles, would get three new vehicles and get rid of one leaving 8 in the fleet. Only “car” available for police use is Dodge Charger. General discussion of how long a vehicle could be expected to last. After 3 year lease period the vehicle could be purchased for \$1.00. Question of maintenance came up, with new vehicles there will be warranty covering them.

B. Fire Department -

1. Activity Report –report in packet.
2. Other – None

C. Emergency Management - none

D. Protective Inspection – Heather discussed demolition of two locations.

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IV. GENERAL GOVERNMENT & FINANCE

- A. Economic Development – Anchor Fest is being considered for August 20-22, 2021. No crafters, only concessions and rides. There is a possibility it will be cancelled.
- B. Golf Tournament
- C. Park Board -Information provided in the packet.
- D. Cemetery Report- bid opening for mowing; should have more info at next meeting.
- E. Tree Board Report - None
- F. Library Board – Information provided in the packet.
- G. February 2021 Financial Statements –

H. Bills over \$1,250 = \$ - 52,454.38

I. Other General Government

Stevens asked about Business licenses – these were delayed in January due to Covid. Large stack mailed last week. Business can come pick up license.

V. OTHER

VI. CLOSED SESSION – Robert Hudson moves the Aldermen go into closed session and hold a closed vote, and the purpose of such closed session and closed vote shall be:

1. As provided for under Section 610.021 (1) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for legal actions, causes of action of litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys:
2. As provided for under Section 610.021 (3) of the Revised Statutes of Missouri for hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body.

Landon Magley seconds the motion.

Roll Call vote: Alderman Stevens	yes	Alderman Motley	yes
Alderman Rodgers	yes	Alderman Hudson	yes
Alderman Magley	yes	Alderman Wilkins	yes

During closed session there was discussion to increase the City Administrator's salary to \$78,000. Alderman Magley moves to increase the salary; second by Alderman Terri Motley.

Roll Call vote: Alderman Wilkins	yes	Alderman Stevens	yes
Alderman Hudson	yes	Alderman Rodgers	yes
Alderman Motley	yes	Alderman Magley	yes

Alderman Robert Hudson moves to return to open session.

Alderman Stevens seconds the motion.

Alderman Wilkins	__yes__	Alderman Stevens	__yes__
Alderman Hudson	__yes__	Alderman Rodgers	__yes__
Alderman Motley	__yes__	Alderman Magley	__yes__

VII. AS MAY ARISE

VIII.

IX. ADJOURN – Motion to Adjourn made by Aldermen _____ and Seconded by Aldermen _____ Meeting was adjourned at _____ pm.