



Public Works & Utilities Committee Meeting

Minutes

Monday, September 13, 2021 at 6:30 pm

CENTRALIA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

114 S. Rollins Street, Centralia, MO 65240

1. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

The September 13, 2021 Public Works & Utilities meeting was called to order by Chairman Robert Hudson at 6:30 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

Minutes:

Alderman Motley, Alderman Hudson, Alderman Wilkins, Alderman Stevens, Alderman Rodgers and Alderman Magley answered roll call. Also in attendance were Mayor Chris Cox, City Administrator Heather Russell, Public Works Director Mike Forsee, Police Chief Bob Bias, Fire Chief Denny Rusch, Electric Department Foreman Matt Fadler, Street Department Foreman Phil Hoffman and Water Department Foreman Matthew Rusch. Also present was Scott Abercrombie.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Minutes:

Chairman Hudson led those in attendance in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

Minutes:

Chairman Hudson opened the Comments From Citizens portion of the meeting at 6:32 p.m. Scott Abercrombie - 449 S Jefferson St had comments related to his water/sewer charges from a water leak at his residence. City Administrator Russell reminded Mr. Abercrombie that an exception was made with the first billing as an adjustment was made to the total due to bring the charges in line with normal usage. She also stated payment arrangements were offered to assist with payment of the second bill. Public Works Director Mike Forsee commented on his findings when he went by the address to check for obvious leaks.

Chairman Hudson closed the Comments From Citizens portion at 6:38 p.m.

5. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Activity Report

Minutes:

Street Department Foreman Phil Hoffman stated the activity report is included in the meeting packet.

b. Streets

Minutes:

Foreman Hoffman stated several days were spent doing repairs to a bad area in the street at Windset Court. He also advised several days were spent removing old sidewalk and placing forms and pouring concrete for 127 feet of new sidewalk on Railroad Street.

c. Sanitation

Minutes:

City Administrator Russell advised she is working on a Request for Proposal for Sanitation services. Some discussion took place regarding the RFP. Public Works Director Forsee advised the latest projections for delivery of a new garbage truck is 2 years. No votes were taken on this matter.

d. Storm Water

e. Other

Minutes:

Director Forsee advised he has had a conversation with Engineer Lincoln Brown regarding a possible grant in 2022 to cover work on Jefferson Street near Railroad Street.

6. WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

a. Activity Report

Minutes:

Water Department Foreman Matthew Rusch advises the activity report is in the meeting packet.

b. Water

Minutes:

Foreman Rusch reports have been working out the bugs from the Water Treatment Plant upgrade and dealing with a faulty Lime Slaker. The one in place has never worked correctly. He has a meeting on Wednesday to discuss replacement of the slaker.

c. Sewer

d. Other

Minutes:

Foreman Rusch reports there have been cells constructed for the waste water overflow field. Some farmers have had water supplied to them.

7. ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

a. Activity Report

Minutes:

Electric Department Fadler states the activity report is in the packet. A new apprentice, Codey Smedley, started a few weeks ago. The department has had access to a de-energized pole and they have been using that for training. Currently the only school light NOT installed is at Lakeview and Columbia.

b. Generation/Purchase

c. Distribution

d. Other

8. PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR

a. Monthly Report

b. Other

9. AS MAY ARISE

10. ADJOURN

Minutes:

Alderman Wilkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Motley seconded the motion.

Chairman Hudson called the meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

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