



Public Works & Utilities Committee Meeting

Minutes

Monday, November 13, 2023 at 6:30 pm

CENTRALIA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

114 S. Rollins Street, Centralia, MO 65240

1. CALL TO ORDER

Minutes:

Alderman Robert Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ATTENDANCE

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Aldermen Lonnie Cox, Robert Hudson, David Wilkins, Harold Deckerd, Don Rodgers, and Landon Magley were present. Others present: City Administrator Tara Strain, Public Works & Utilities Director Matt Rusch, Water & Sewer Dept. Foreman Aaron Kroeger, Electric Dept. Interim Foreman Osson Cox, Street & Sanitation Dept. Foreman Phil Hoffman, Police Chief Harlan Hatton, Fire Chief Denny Rusch & Deputy City Clerk Beth Kable. Citizens present: Linda Bormann.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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Alderman Robert Hudson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

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Alderman Robert Hudson opened the floor for Comments from Citizens at 6:30 p.m. Linda Bormann asked why the direction of the parking spaces by the police station has changed and they are sometimes parked too far in the road. Police Chief Harlan Hatton said that the change in the spaces is working well and he has addressed how far the cars are parked in the street with the officers and they will back in closer to the curb. Public Works Director Matthew Rusch said there are signs ordered to designate those parking spaces as police only. Linda also express concern over the angle of the new lines saying there is less space for driving, but Street Foreman Phil Hoffman assured her they are the same angle as every other space in town. Hearing no further comments, comments from citizens was closed at 6:33 p.m.

5. PUBLIC WORKS

a. Activity Report

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Street Foreman Phil Hoffman said the paving of the streets went very well and we had some left-over product, so they were able to pave a few extra streets. They also cleaned out the ditch behind Miles Street and lined it with riff raff.

- b. Streets
- c. Sanitation
- d. Storm Water
- e. Other

6. WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT**a. Activity Report****Minutes:**

Water Foreman Aaron Kroeger said that DNR did their 3-year compliance inspection and found a few little things to fix, but that is normal. They also helped fix the pool and winterized everything to prepare for winter.

- b. Water
- c. Sewer
- d. Other

7. ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT**a. Activity Report****Minutes:**

Interim Electric Foreman Osson Cox reported that they have finished installing the surrogate and switch gear for the electric service going to Jim Butler. They have also installed underground service for the Barela Subdivision. They will put up the Christmas decorations the day before Thanksgiving.

- b. Generation/Purchase
- c. Distribution
- d. Other

8. PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR**a. Monthly Report****Minutes:**

Public Works Director Matthew Rusch said that DNR did the final inspection for the wastewater project, and it passed. There are a few paperwork things to finish with Bartlett & West. There is also a tentative date for the Slakker delivery on the week of June 17, 2024.

- b. Other

9. AS MAY ARISE**10. ADJOURN****Minutes:**

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

