

**MINUTES
OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF, MISSOURI
MONDAY, MAY 2, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Poplar Bluff, Missouri, convened in a regular meeting on Monday, May 2, 2016.

Notice of this regular meeting of the City Council was given in the Daily American Republic, a newspaper of general circulation located in the City of Poplar Bluff. A copy of the agenda of this meeting was posted on a bulletin board located in the City Municipal building at 101 Oak Street in the City of Poplar Bluff, twenty-four hours prior to this meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Ed DeGaris at 7:00 p.m.

The invocation was given by Reverend Vernon Curry of the Highland Drive Church of Christ.

A roll call was as follows: Present: McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Johnson, Fox, Crocker, DeGaris; Absent: None.

Also present were City Manager Mark Massingham, City Attorney Mark L. Richardson and City Clerk Pamela Kearbey who performed the duties of their respective offices.

DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Each member of the City Council was given the opportunity to disclose any possible conflict of interest dealing either with any item on the printed agenda or with any matter discussed at a previous meeting.

No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

CITIZEN'S INPUT

Each person in the audience was given the opportunity to address the City Council on any matter which was not on the printed agenda.

Airport Manager Mike Smith appeared before the Council and stated he would like to invite the Council and all citizens to the Poplar Bluff Municipal Airport on Saturday, May 7, 2016 for the annual pancake breakfast.

Mr. Jim Chrisman, who gave his address as 464 North Main Street, Poplar Bluff, Missouri, appeared before the Council. He stated he would like to request the City Council packets be made available online for citizens to review prior to the Council meetings.

Mayor DeGaris stated the Council would take Mr. Chrisman's request under advisement.

WORKSHOP ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

The City Council reviewed a proposed ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Poplar Bluff and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for 2016 FY Historic Preservation Fund Grant monies.

2016 Historic Preservation Fund Grant Agreement

Mr. Dennis Avery, City Planner, appeared before the Council and stated this agreement is for grant funding to hire a consultant to prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Garfield Historic District which includes Wheatley Public School, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church and Rattler's Grocery Store.

There being no further discussion, motion was made by Councilman Tinsley, seconded by Councilman Johnson and carried to move this item to the voting session to be held tonight.

**11th and Thomas
Street Paving
Project
Supplemental
Agreement No. 2**

The City Council reviewed a proposed Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission STP-Urban Program Agreement Project relative to the paving of 11th Street and Thomas Street.

City Manager Mark Massingham addressed the Council and stated the Missouri Department of Transportation may be cutting the Surface Transportation Program Funds and if that happens we could lose approximately \$50,000 if we don't use the funds we have remaining. He stated this agreement simply lifts the cap on the 11th Street and Thomas Street paving project so we do not lose out on these funds.

After further discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker, seconded by Councilman Johnson and carried to move this item to the voting session to be held tonight.

The City Council discussed possibilities for City Hall and the Police Station.

City Manager Massingham addressed the Council and stated the City Hall Feasibility Study Committee has met several times regarding the location of a new City Hall and Police Station. He stated at this point in time he would like guidance from the Council on how to proceed with this matter.

After discussion, Mayor DeGaris suggested a joint meeting of the Council and the Feasibility Study Committee to discuss their recommendation for City Hall and the Police Station.

**ACTION
REQUIRED ITEMS**

**Electric Avoided
Energy Rates**

The City Council took action on an ordinance approving electric avoided energy rates. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley, seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7902, **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ENACTING ELECTRIC AVOIDED ENERGY RATES FOR THE CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7902 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7902 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Johnson, Fox, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7698.

**Automatic Meter
Reading System
Bid**

The City Council took action on an ordinance accepting a bid for an automatic meter reading system. Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey, seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7903, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A BID FOR AN AUTOMATIC METER READING SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Tinsley that Bill No. 7903 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly

passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Councilwoman Fox that Bill No. 7903 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Horton, Tinsley, Johnson, Fox, McVey, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7699.

Backup Wells Bid

The City Council took action on an ordinance accepting a bid for backup wells. Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey, seconded by Councilwoman Fox that Bill No. 7904, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A BID FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF BACK UP WELLS FOR THE POPLAR BLUFF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker and seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7904 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker Fox that Bill No. 7904 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Johnson, Fox, McVey, Horton, Crocker, DeGaris; No: Tinsley; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7700.

Installation of Distribution Lines Bid

The City Council took action on an ordinance accepting a bid for the installation of distribution lines. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7905, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A BID FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF WATER LINES RELATED TO THE SRF PHASE III WATER DISTRIBUTION PROJECT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey and seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7905 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Tinsley that Bill No. 7905 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Johnson, Fox, McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7701.

UV Disinfection System Project Bid

The City Council took action on an ordinance accepting a bid for the UV disinfection system project. Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey, seconded by Councilwoman Fox that Bill No. 7906, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A BID FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF AN SRF PHASE III UV DISINFECTION SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES DEPARTMENT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7906 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7906 be adopted. A roll call vote

was as follows: Yes: Fox, McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Johnson, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7702.

**Morrison Road
Power Transformer
Bid**

The City Council took action on an ordinance accepting a bid for the Morrison Road Power Transformer. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley, seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7907, **AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING A BID FOR THE EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF A POWER TRANSFORMER FOR THE MORRISON ROAD SUBSTATION**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7907 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7907 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Johnson, Fox, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7703.

**Fair Street Bridge
Project Change
Order No. 1**

The City Council took action on an ordinance approving Change Order No. 1 for the Fair Street Bridge Project, STP 5100 (008). Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7908, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CHANGE ORDER RELATING TO THE FAIR STREET BRIDGE PROJECT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7908 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7908 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Horton, Tinsley, Fox, McVey, Crocker, DeGaris; No: Johnson; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7704.

**2016 FY Historic
Preservation Fund
Grant Agreement**

The City Council took action on an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Poplar Bluff and the Missouri Department of Natural Resources for the 2016 FY Historic Preservation Fund Grant. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley, seconded by Councilman Johnson that Bill No. 7909, **AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE 2016 HISTORICAL PRESERVATION FUND GRANT AGREEMENT FOR THE POPLAR BLUFF GARFIELD HISTORICAL DISTRICT**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Tinsley that Bill No. 7909 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Tinsley that Bill No. 7909 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Tinsley, Johnson, Fox, McVey, Horton, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon

declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7705.

**11th and Thomas
Street Paving
Project
Supplemental
Agreement No. 2**

The City Council took action on an ordinance approving Supplemental Agreement No. 2 to the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission STP-Urban Program Agreement Project relative to the paving of 11th Street and Thomas Street. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Councilman Tinsley that Bill No. 7910, **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF AND MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, FOR THE PAVING OF A PORTION OF THOMAS STREET**, be read for the first time by caption only. Said bill was then placed upon its first reading, was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. Motion was made by Councilman Tinsley and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker that Bill No. 7910 be placed upon its second and final reading whereupon such bill was read by caption only and duly passed by unanimous vote. At this time Mayor DeGaris asked if there was any discussion of this bill. There being no discussion, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker and seconded by Councilwoman Fox that Bill No. 7910 be adopted. A roll call vote was as follows: Yes: Johnson, Fox, McVey, Horton, Tinsley, Crocker, DeGaris; No: None; Absent: None; Abstained: None. There being a favorable vote the Mayor thereupon declared such ordinance duly adopted and the bill was thereupon duly numbered Ordinance No. 7706.

**Call for a Closed
Session**

The City Council of the City of Poplar Bluff called for a closed meeting in which they would discuss such matters which are exempted under the open meetings law Section 610.021.1, RSMo, Section 610.021.2, RSMo, Section 610.021.3, RSMo, Section 610.021.9, RSMo, Section 610.021.11, RSMo, Section 610.021.12, RSMo, Section 610.021.13, RSMo, and Section 610.021.14, RSMo. Motion was made by Councilwoman McVey, seconded by Councilwoman Fox and carried that the City Council move into a closed meeting immediately after this regular meeting of the City Council.

**City Manager's
Report**

City Manager Massingham addressed the Council and stated the City's new website goes live on Wednesday. He stated the Street Department is staying very busy with mowing. Mr. Massingham stated there will be a ceremony this Wednesday by the Courthouse parking lot for the planting of a seedling from the last Liberty Tree. He stated Buff Up the Bluff was another successful event this year.

There being no further business to come before this meeting of the City Council, motion was made by Councilman Johnson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Crocker and carried that this regular meeting be adjourned.

Mayor DeGaris declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Pamela S. Kearbey
City Clerk

**APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF POPLAR BLUFF,
MISSOURI, THIS 20th DAY
OF June, 2016.**