

**CITY OF JOPLIN
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

March 5, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting for the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Michael Seibert.

INVOCATION - read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mr. Stanley.

ROLL CALL – Answering Roll Call were Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Dan McCreary, Michael Seibert, Gary Shaw; Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Jim West. Also in attendance were City Manager Sam Anselm and City Attorney Peter Edwards. Absent: Miranda Lewis. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. West to excuse Mrs. Lewis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0.

PRESENTATIONS

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA –There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS

Tom Rogers, 3517 Hackberry Lane, Joplin MO addressed the council regarding odors in the city and surrounding suburbs. He stated there was an on-line petition for this issue and he discussed some of the feedback that was provided via the petition from residents and city visitors. After discussion, the council asked the City Manager to direct staff to research other communities to find out if they have ordinances pertaining to odor issues.

Greg Huff, 115 S. Sergeant Ave. Joplin, MO, addressed the council regarding Backyard Poultry Ordinances. He asked the council to consider an amendment to the city code for the set-back and spacing requirements for chickens, as well as a variance to keep his pet chickens while this request is considered. During the discussion, City Attorney Edwards stated Mr. Huff was issued a citation for his chickens being too noisy, which is a violation of Section 18.4 of the Joplin Municipal Code. The Health Department's investigation into the noise complaint discovered Mr. Huff is keeping chickens without a valid permit, which is another violation of the code. Mr. Edwards recommended that if the council wants to look into amending the code, that the council gives staff direction much like they just did on the odor control issue. He stated Health Director Pekarek had researched this issue and will send the information to the council for their review and possible discussion at a later date.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Public Hearing Procedures were read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer.

Public Hearing for Resolution No. 2018-007.

Mayor Seibert opened the Public Hearing.

Appearing in favor of this item were Wayne Stephenson, 302 S. Sergeant, Joplin, MO, and Brian Eggleston, 329 N. Main St. Joplin, MO.

No one appeared in opposition to this item.

The Public Hearing was closed.

Mr. Stinnett introduced Resolution No. 2018-007 - A RESOLUTION granting a Special Use Permit for the expansion of a parking lot from 8 spaces to 14 spaces, in the City of Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Stanley that Resolution No. 2018-007 be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

CONSENT AGENDA – Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Shaw, to approve the Consent Agenda Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Stanley that Resolution No. 2018-007 be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

Minutes of the February 20, 2018 Council Meeting

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-405-AN ORDINANCE approving an Agreement between the City of Joplin, Missouri, and Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area that pertains to 2017 HOME funds; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute same on behalf of the City.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-600 - AN ORDINANCE: Approving the job descriptions for Concessions Coordinator, Athletic Coordinator and Golf Lead Cashier and the placement of the positions within the Salary Administration Plan for the City of Joplin.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-601 - AN ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Joplin Little League for the purpose of leasing Landreth Park baseball fields, concession areas, and parking lots in exchange for annual rent in the amount of Five Hundred and 00/100 Dollars (\$500.00); and authorizing the City Manager to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin.

COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-602 -AN ORDINANCE to enable the City of Joplin, Missouri, to join Show Me PACE, pursuant to Sections §67.2800 to §67.2835, RSMo., the “Property Assessment Clean Energy Act,” and stating the terms under which the City of Joplin will conduct activities as a member of such district.

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. West introduced Resolution No. 2018-005 -A RESOLUTION declaring that the unlawful distribution of prescription controlled substances has created a public nuisance and a serious public health and safety crisis for the citizens of Joplin, Missouri; and authorizing the City to join in a class action lawsuit against opioid manufacturers. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Brown that

Resolution be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

Mr. Stanley introduced Resolution No. 2018-006 -A RESOLUTION allowing the Police Department to apply for three (3) grants through MODOT for the enforcement of DWI laws, as well as training and equipment to further our effort in reducing DWI crashes, as well as reducing crashes involving hazardous moving violations. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Shaw, that Resolution be approved. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY

Mr. Shaw introduced Council Bill No. 2018-107 -An Ordinance authorizing the City of Joplin to enter into a supplemental Transportation Alternative Funds Program Agreement (TAP 3205-704) with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the construction of the St. John's Blvd. Trail project in the City of Joplin; authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute said supplemental agreement for and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Stanley that Council Bill No. 2018-107 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-032**.

Mr. West introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-504 -An Ordinance amending the Annual Budget of the City of Joplin for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 as adopted by Ordinance 2017-167 on October 16, 2017, to adjust appropriations and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. McCreary that Council Bill No 2018-504 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-033**.

Mr. Shaw introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-603 - An Ordinance authorizing the acceptance of an agreement by and between the City of Joplin and Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission, for Air Traffic Control Tower Operating Assistance Grant Agreement for Air Traffic Control Services at the Joplin Regional Airport; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Stinnett that Council Bill No. 2018-603 be approved on emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-034**.

Ordinances – First Reading

Ordinances – Second Reading and Third Reading

Unfinished Business

New Business

News from the Public Information Officer, Lynn Onstot

As part of the annual Severe Weather Awareness Week, the City of Joplin will participate in the statewide tornado drill at 10 AM tomorrow, Tuesday March 6th. Joplin's outdoor warning sirens will sound for a full three minutes, just as they would in an emergency. We encourage all residents to use this drill as an opportunity to plan and prepare for a real situation. This is a good time to discuss sheltering plans with your family and co-workers and to check that you have a working battery-operated radio and flashlights, along with other necessary supplies in your designated "safe place." Joplin Parks and Recreation is hosting a "Kids Garage Sale" event at Memorial Hall on Saturday, March 17th. There's still time to get a table for \$10, or stop by on Saturday, March 17 to do a little shopping. Parks & Rec is also running a 10% off sale on swim passes until March 31st. Residents should contact the Parks & Rec department for more information.

As part of this year's Birthday Celebration for Joplin, we're inviting the public to get involved. Joplin will be 145 years old, and we're hoping to get 145 reasons people like Joplin. Participants are asked to simply complete the following sentence: **"I like Joplin because....."**. Responses should include the first and last name of the person submitting, along with their age. Ages are being included to represent favorite things of Joplin fans from all ages and eras. Submissions can be mailed to Joplin City Hall or emailed to Lynn Onstot at lonstot@joplinmo.org. We'll gather all the entries and reveal them at the City's Birthday party at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 23. More details about participating in this unique celebration recognizing YOUR city, along with other events mentioned can be found on the City's website, joplinmo.org. Thank you.

Mr. Stinnett stated he had received several texts during the council meeting that audio has been lost during part of the meeting as it was being televised. Lynn stated she would check with MSSU and KGCS to determine the issue. It's possible it has something to do with the programming providers.

Mr. West stated he attended the Bull Riding event at Memorial Hall over the weekend and enjoyed it. He commended Parks & Recreation Director Paul Bloomberg and his staff for doing a great job.

Mr. Shaw stated he had the opportunity to meet some of the council candidates for the upcoming election at a local restaurant recently. He also stated that someone in the audience commented on the lack of email response from the council, however, Mr. Shaw assured this person, and he wants the community to know as well, that the council does respond to their emails, and they take these correspondences seriously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk, MRCC