

**The Board of Aldermen Chambers
Odessa Community Building
601 W. Main Street Regular Meeting
May 23, 2016
Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Pro Tem Steve Wright called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Police Chief Scott Newhouse led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL – City Clerk Peggy Eoff called the roll.

Alderman Steve Lockhart	Present	Alderman Steve Wright	Present
Alderman Brian Henning	Present	Alderman Ray Harves	Present
Alderman John Carmody	Present	Alderman Mike Stevens	Present

City Staff attending: City Administrator Mickey Ary, Sid Rustman Finance Director, Alan Watt, Jane Downing, Hap Phillips, Darrin Lamb, Delbert Palette, Kenny Snider, Park Board President Steven Cobb, Joey McLiney - McLiney & Company, and Attorney Bob Schneiders.

Others present were Planning & Zoning Secretary Ruth Beamer, Planning & Zoning member Mark Henning, Matt Griffith KMZU, Shawn Nichols, Jody Carlson, Randy Johnson, Stephanie Palette, Elaine Barber, Betty and Hannah Spaar - The Odessan.

WELCOME TO VISITORS – Mayor Pro Tem Wright welcomed visitors.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA –

- Approval of Minutes BOA
 - May 23, 2016 Regular Session

Alderman Stevens made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Motion was seconded by Alderman Henning. Motion carried 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No Public Comments.

MAYOR'S REPORTS/COMMENTS –

- Mayor Pro Tem Wright reported that Mayor Couch did not leave anything to report.
- Wright wished everyone a safe Memorial Day and asked all to thank a Veteran.

ALDERMEN REPORTS –

- Alderman Stevens ~ He thanked the Park Board and all involved for putting on the first Iron Dog Event. It was a successful event.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT – There were no reports.

OLD BUSINESS –

- Ordinance Number 2920, Bill Number 2016-07 (2nd reading) - An Ordinance of the City of Odessa, Missouri Repealing Ordinance Number 2864 and Revising the Separate Pay Schedules for Exempt and Non-exempt Employees, and Providing for the Implementation Thereof ~ A motion to approve the 2nd reading of Ordinance number 2920, Bill Number 2016-07, was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Harves. Voice vote was: Carmody yes, Stevens yes, Wright yes, Henning yes, Harves yes, and Lockhart yes. Motion carried 6-0.

NEW BUSINESS –

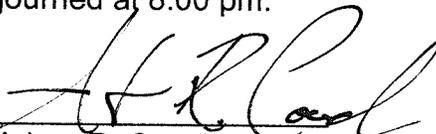
- Presentation from Missouri American Water – Shawn Nichols and Jody Carson ~ Mr. Carson stated that MAW is the largest water utility in the state. They employ more than 600 people. They gave a brief description of the utility. Joey McLiney commented on the MAW LLC. He stated they have a dynamite reputation in Missouri. This would ultimately be a vote set before the people.
- Motion – Board of Aldermen Approval to Proceed with Information Gathering and Discussion of the Water and Waste Water Systems Owned/Operated by the City of Odessa to Missouri American Water ~ A motion to approve moving forward with gathering information by Missouri American Water was approved by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Harves. Alderman Henning stated he would like feedback from employees. Motion carried 6-0.
- Presentation of Park Board Annual Report – Park Board President Steven Cobb ~ Mr. Cobb went over the Parks Annual Report. He went over the financials, assets & equipment, labor, and the future.
- Discussion with the Board of Aldermen Concerning the Failed Sign Ordinance ~ Mr. Ary explained that the Planning & Zoning Commission is looking for some clarity as to why this ordinance failed. Alderman Henning stated there are areas that are of concern. Alderman Stevens says there are several gray areas. Alderman Lockhart also had concerns.
- Resolution 2016-15 – A Resolution of the City of Odessa, Missouri Authorizing the Mayor to Execute a Service Agreement with Shockey Consulting Services, LLC for Development of a Strategic Plan for the City of Odessa ~ Mr. Ary stated this was a recommendation from the review committee. He also stated a plan like this will help us learn how to grow economically. It will give us a clear direction of how to get where we want to be. A final report should be complete by the fall. A motion to approve Resolution 2016-15 was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carried 6-0.

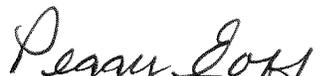
CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -

- Reported on the Johnson Drive project. Waterlines are the 1st phase of the project.

- Bid opening for the SE treatment plant has been moved to Wednesday, June 1, 10:00 am the Community Building in Dyer Park.
- Gave an update for McDowell Street. Spoke with the SEMA representatives today and now are waiting for response.
- Completed the interview and review process for the Operational Study for Public Works. The final report will be delivered in mid-June.
- Met with FOP Bargaining Unit to discuss the contract. Waiting to hear from FOP Leadership.
- Reported Officer Billy Hotmer resigned from the Odessa Police Department.
- Reported that Bobby Sanchez resigned from the Odessa EMS.
- He volunteered at the First Annual Iron Dog Run.

ADJOURN – A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Lockhart. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.


Adam R. Couch, Mayor


Peggy Eoff, City Clerk