

**The Board of Aldermen Chambers  
Odessa Community Building  
601 W. Main Street Regular Meeting  
June 13, 2016  
Meeting Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Adam Couch 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.

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| 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, Paul Conway Public Works Director, Darrin Lamb, Dan Miller - Larkin Lamp Rynearson, Joey Mcliney - McLiney & Company, and Attorney Bob Schneiders.

Others present were: Matt Griffith KMZU, Charles & Elaine Barber, Mark Bellington, Betty and Hannah Spaar - The Odessan.

**WELCOME TO VISITORS** – Mayor Couch welcomed visitors.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA** –

- Finance Committee Report
- Purchasing Card Report
- Income Statement/Balance Sheet
- A/P monthly Registers
- Approval of Minutes BOA
  - May 23, 2016 Regular Session

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** –

- Charles Barber ~ He voiced his opposition to the sale of the City Water service.

**MAYOR'S REPORTS/COMMENTS** –

- Mayor Couch thanked Alderman Wright for filling in for him at the last meeting.
- Mayor Couch thanked the Parks Department for hosting the Iron Dog event.
- Mayor Couch congratulated Downtown Odessa for the success of the "Eat in the Street Event"
- Reminded all about the Rodeo this weekend.
- Mayor Couch recognized Darrin Lamb for 10 years of service.

## **ALDERMEN REPORTS –**

- Alderman Harves ~ He reported that he attended the MML conference and it was very beneficial.

## **DEPARTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT –**

- Public Works Department Report (Information Only)
- Monthly EMS Summary Report (Information Only)
- Code Compliance Monthly Report (Information Only)

**OLD BUSINESS** – There was no old business.

## **NEW BUSINESS –**

- Motion – Approval by the Board of Aldermen to allow the United States Postal Service space to place a mail box structure in a section of Centennial Hills Park. A motion to allow placement of a mailbox in Centennial Hills Park was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Wright. Motion carries 6-0.
- Motion – Request Purchase of Police Cruiser from the Missouri Highway Patrol Fleet Department ~ Chief Newhouse reported that vehicle # 4 is in need of repairs. A motion to approve the purchase of the Charger from the Highway Patrol was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Henning. Motion carried 5-1, with Alderman Lockhart opposing.
- Motion – Appointments Park Board ~ Joe Spaar, Mike Duncan and Emily Oldham (3 year terms expire April 2019) / Appointments to the Economic Development Board ~ Robert Brinkley (5 year terms expire April 2021) / Appointments to the Board of Appeals ~ Dennis Summers, Dana Duncan (2 year terms expire April 2018) There are still two vacancies for the Board of Appeals. A motion to approve the Mayor's appointments was made by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Harves. Motion carries 6-0.
- Resolution 2016-16 – A Resolution of the City of Odessa, Missouri Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Lease Agreement Between the City of Odessa and Foley Equipment Company ~ Mr. Ary went over the details of this proposed agreement. A motion to approve Resolution 2016- 16 was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Wright. Motion carries 5-1. Alderman Lockhart opposed.
- Resolution 2016-17 – A Resolution of the City of Odessa, Missouri Selecting KAT Excavation, Inc. as the Missouri Community Development Block Grant Approved Bidder and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Contract for SE Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase I Improvements ~ A motion to approve Resolution 2016-17 was made by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carries 6-0.
- Resolution 2016-18 – A Resolution of the City of Odessa, Missouri Authorizing the Mayor to Self-Finance the City Portion of Costs Related to the Southeast Wastewater Treatment Plant Phase I Improvements ~ Finance Director Sid Rustman and Joey McLiney, McLiney & Company, went over the details. A

motion to approve Resolution 2016-18 was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carried 6-0.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -**

- Reported on the Johnson Drive project. Waterline work is underway and power poles are being removed.
- Boring under I-70 is now at 280 feet.
- Demolition of PD/EMS building has begun.
- Toured the water & waste water facilities with representatives of Missouri American Water.
- Met with Donna Brown, City of Higginsville EDC Director concerning the Odessa/Bates City Enhanced Enterprise Zone.
- Met with Verbal Blakey & City Electric Staff to discuss items related to the design of the Northwest Electric Tie Project.
- Talked with SEMA regarding the McDowell Project.
- Reported Officer William Stratton has resigned. Wished him well.
- He thanked Eagle Scout Jacob Lininger for his work in rehabbing the pavilion at Odessa City Lake.
- Attended the Chamber of Commerce After Hours at Black Box Coffee.
- Welcomed the participants of the Bass'n USA fishing tournament on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.
- Attended ribbon cutting ceremonies of Loft Treasures and the Tea Room.
- Attended the Eat in the Street Event.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION -** In compliance with RSMO 610.021

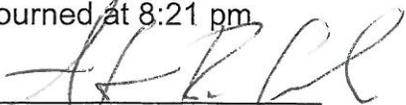
(3) Closed Session is pursuant to Section 610.021 pertaining to the hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded. ...As used in this subdivision, the term "personal information" means information relating to the performance or merit of individual employees:

A motion to adjourn to closed session was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Harves. Voice vote was: Lockhart yes, Stevens yes, Harves yes, Carmody yes, Wright yes, and Henning yes. Closed session began at 7:40 p.m. There were no votes taken during closed session.

A motion to return to open session was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carries 6-0. Return to open session at 8:21 p.m.

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**ADJOURN** – A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Henning. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

  
Adam R. Couch, Mayor

  
Peggy Eoff, City Clerk