

**The Board of Aldermen Chambers
Odessa Community Building
601 W. Main Street August 22, 2016
Meeting Minutes**

PUBLIC HEARING ~ 2016 Tax Levy ~ Mayor Couch opened the public hearing for the tax levy at 7:00 p.m. There were no comments.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Adam Couch called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Mayor Couch 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, Paul Conway Public Works Director, Collector Jennifer LeBlanc, Police Officer Mark Appleby, and Attorney Bob Schneiders.

Others present were: Matt Griffith KMZU, Betty and Hannah Spaar - The Odessan.(See attached list of others present)

WELCOME TO VISITORS – Mayor Couch welcomed visitors.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA – Approval of Minutes BOA

- August 8, 2016 ~ Regular Session
- August 16, 2016 ~ Budget Work Session
- August 16, 2016 ~ Closed Session
- August 17, 2016 ~ Budget Work Session
- August 17, 2016 ~ Closed Session

Approval to Close Streets for the Homecoming Parade by Terry Stever

Approval of Appointing Keith Gibson as Interim EMS Director

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Alderman Stevens and seconded by Alderman Henning. Motion carries 6-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Mayor Couch went over the agenda before the public comment section. Comments were limited to two minutes.

- Melissa Beamguard, Emily Stevens, Mike Bara, Jennifer Crawford, Geraldine Goodman, Mr. Hopkins, Mary Hough, Gary Jordan, James Severs, Cody Kleoppel, Jerry Gardner, Melissa Bigler, Mary Jo Adlard, Megan Cobb, Tim Allen, Johnny Ehlert, Tammy Walker, Elizabeth Boyle, Kathy Smith, Shannon Quick, Jeff LeBlanc, Kim Johnson, Stephanie Chapman, Lori Smith, Arluster Bass, Rebecca Rose, and Alan Michael spoke regarding the Odessa Police Department.

- Dallas Martin would like to get his Eagle Scout project approved. He would like to put up bat houses in three locations. Mayor Couch asked him to visit with Mr. Ary and get on the next agenda.
- Tabitha Becker talked about roads.
- Jennifer Woodell asked about McDowell Street.
- Steven Truesdell commented about pot holes.

MAYOR'S REPORTS/COMMENTS –

- Mayor Couch stated the Sept. 12th Board meeting will be pushed back to the 19th due to the MML conference.
- Mayor Couch thanked the people who came to voice their comments.

ALDERMEN REPORTS –

- Alderman Lockhart asked what is happening with the location of the burn pile. Mayor stated this will be on the next agenda.
- Alderman thanked all those who came out and expressed their opinions. He also thanked all those who came out to help with the Odessa Little League with the football jamboree. He commented on the burn pile issue.
- Alderman Wright thanked the VFW for hosting the fishing derby.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER'S REPORTS – There were no reports.

NEW BUSINESS –

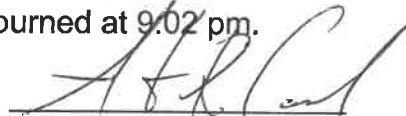
- Discussion – Odessa Police Department and the Lafayette County Sheriff's Department (Sheriff Kerrick Alumbaugh) ~ Mr. Ary read through the report from former Police Chief Scott Newhouse. It requested an RFP independent study of the Odessa Police Department. Joe Lauber, of Lauber Law, conducted a study which produced an outline of the department which created areas of concerns. Mickey went over the findings of the study and the proposed solutions. He ended with a recommendation that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen consider entering into a police service agreement with County Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Kerrick Alumbaugh spoke to reassure the citizens and answer any questions. He stated there would be 9 officers assigned to Odessa and they would work out of the current Police Department. Sheriff Alumbaugh addressed all of the issues listed on the flyer that was distributed to citizens at PJD.
- Motion – Request by Concordia Bank to Re-plat Lot 8 into Lots 9 & 10, Block 3, Patterson Smith Addition, forming a single lot (325 S. 2nd Street) ~ Cory Hall from Concordia Bank explained the request. Planning & Zoning approved this request at their August 18, 2016 meeting. Alderman Stevens made a motion to approve the Mayor's appointment. Motion was seconded by Alderman Wright. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.
- Motion – Approval to Purchase and Have Installed 3 VFD's at the Water Plant and Underground Storage ~ Cost is \$33,840.00 and has a 2 year warranty. After discussion, a motion to approve the purchase was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Harves. Motion carries 6-0.

- Motion – Approval to have Lane Christensen Company Clean Well # 1 ~ Mr. Ary stated these are the wells in Wellington, MO. Cost would be \$11,721.00. A motion to approve the Lane Christensen to clean Well # 1 was made by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.
- Motion – Approval for the Mayor to Enter into the Material Bid Contract for the Electrical Engineers BHM&G with Anixter Inc. for \$192387.67 ~ A motion to approve the Mayor to enter into the material bid contract with BHM&G with Anixter Inc. for the northwest tie was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Harves. Vote was 6-0. Motion carries.
- Ordinance Number 2921, Bill Number 2016-08 (1st and 2nd reading) ~ An Ordinance of the City of Odessa, Missouri, setting the Tax Levy for the Year 2016 for the City of Odessa, Missouri, and Designating the Amount to be Used for General and Park Purposes ~ A motion to approve the first reading of 2016-08, Ordinance Number 2921 was made by Alderman Henning and seconded by Alderman Stevens. Motion carries 6-0.
- A motion to approve the 2nd reading of Bill Number 2016-08, Ordinance Number 2921 was made by Alderman Wright and seconded by Alderman Henning. Voice vote was: Carmody yes, Stevens yes, Wright yes, Henning yes, Harves yes, and Lockhart yes. Motion carries 6-0.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT -

- Westside Interceptor ~ All pipe has been laid on the north side of I-70. They are working on the north side pump station.
- Johnson Drive Project ~ Delayed due to the need for soil testing in the road bed.
- McDowell Street ~ Waiting on materials. Will meet with residents on Tuesday night at the Library regarding property affected by construction. Work should start in mid-September.
- Spillway ~ We received money from FEMA in the amount of \$18,750.00.
- Southeast Plant ~ We are waiting on equipment to arrive.
- Demolition at old Police Department has been completed.

ADJOURN – A motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Harves and seconded by Alderman Wright. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.


Adam R. Couch, Mayor


Peggy Eoff, City Clerk