

JANUARY 10, 2011

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M.

ITEM # 1 - Mayor Dennis Wilson called the meeting to order with councilpersons, Jim White, David Watkins, Danielle Verkamp, Rodney Edwards, Don Moore, Don Poskin and David Cottingham present for the meeting. Also present for the meeting were employees Candace Connell, Police Chief Anderson, John Edgar, Mike Licklider, City Clerk Woolsey, and Leader Journal's Kathleen Meyer also Saint James Press' Chris Daniels.

ITEM # 2 – Mayor Wilson led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM # 3 - On a motion by David Watkins and a second by David Cottingham the December 06, 2010 Regular Council minutes were approved as written. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – aye, David Cottingham - aye .

ITEM # 4 – On a motion by Jim White and a second by David Watkins the paying of December 2010 City General fund bills, listed below, and the Utility General bills, in the amount of \$604,984.14 were unanimously approved. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – aye, David Cottingham - aye .

ITEM # 5 – Citizen Input: None.

ITEM # 6 – Prior to this meeting Sheran Ashby met with City employees who agreed to change their health insurance coverage from Anthem Blue Cross and Shield to Mercy Health Plans, A Coventry Health Care Plan which would be a premium savings with comparable coverage effective 01-01-2011. The plan has a \$2,000 in network deductible in which the employee will pay the 1st \$1,000 and then the City will reimburse up to the next \$1,000.

ITEM # 7 - Proposed Ordinance – 10-1002 Authorizing and directing the issuance, sale and delivery of General Obligation Bonds, series 2011 of the City of St. James, Missouri was posted and given to the Council 24 hours prior to the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. On a motion by Don Poskin and a second by Don Moore the proposed ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Donald Poskin – aye, David Cottingham – aye.

ITEM # 8 - Proposed Ordinance # 10-1003 To enter into an Intergovernmental Cooperation Agreement for the investment of Public Funds through the Missouri Securities Investment Program was posted and given to the Council 24 hours prior to the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. On a motion by Don Moore and a second by Rodney Edwards the proposed ordinance unanimously passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Donald Poskin – aye, David Cottingham – aye.

On a motion by Don Moore and a second by Rodney Edwards the City Council agreed to invest the proceeds from the municipal bond issuance through the Missouri Securities Investment Program (MoSIP) at the terms and lengths most favorable to the City of St. James with the best rate of return while providing ready access to the funds as necessary. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Donald Poskin – aye, David Cottingham – aye.

ITEM # 9 – On a motion by David Watkins and a second by Rodney Edwards it was unanimously approved to accept the Utility Board's recommendation, from their January 10, 2011 meeting, to approve Vernon R. Lawson of Allgeier, Martin and Associates, Inc. recommendation to purchase 20 MVA units per Bid Schedules 1 & 2A from Virginia Transformer Corp. per Contract SJ-10-1M. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Donald Poskin – aye, David Cottingham – aye.

ITEM # 10 – Postponed to February 2011 meeting.

ITEM # 11 – Candace Connell reported on the Industrial Park new lighting placement, Safe routes to school grant, Enhancement grant, Pool, DNR, Substation, and Community Foundation. She also stated she is to represent the City of St. James at the Governor’s Mansion and is now the Vice President of the Rolla Regional Economic Commission.

ITEM # 12 – Committee Reports:

Councilman Cottingham shared street department budget concerns.

Councilman Edwards reported the Park Board has hired a pool manager, Landon Pogue, and he feels comfortable with their decision.

Councilman White made a motion to continue the up to \$1,000 a month financial support for the Humane Society through April 2011. Don Poskin seconded the motion. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-absent, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-aye, Donald Poskin – aye, David Cottingham – aye.

Councilman Moore reported activity at the Tourist Information Center building is slow.

Councilman Watkins stated the sanitation department is doing well.

ITEM # 13 – Mayor’s Comments:

- It has been a busy week at the trailer park.
- St. James Kiwanis is to be in charge of a Medication Kick Back Program to start in March 2011.
- In an effort to replace the fencing South of the Historic Depot a proposal is in place where individuals, organizations and clubs can purchase a 25 feet section for \$280 installed.

On a motion by Rodney Edwards and a second by David Watkins the meeting adjourned.

Mayor – Dennis Ira Wilson

ATTEST:

City Clerk

<u>DECEMBER 2010 BILLS & SALARIES</u>		<u>DEPOSITED IN GEN. FUND</u>	
GENERAL	\$ 14,038.13	RE TAX/BLDG PERMIT/MISC	\$ 39,169.66
POLICE	\$ 29,403.29	CABLE TV FRANCHISE	
COMMUNITY DEV.	\$ 4,225.71	SALES TAX	\$ 55,926.95
ENGINEER	\$ 1,528.19	INTEREST	\$ 322.87
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 7,227.03	MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 8,941.50
SANITATION	\$ 31,652.30	SANITATION	\$ 36,776.16
STREET	\$ 25,437.52	GAS TAX/PERMITS	\$ 11,966.40
TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ 280.01	TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ 27,963.41
TIC	\$ 3,376.47	TIC	\$ 1,858.66
PARK	\$ 1,460.54	PARKS	\$ 500.00
SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 9,336.81	SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 238.87
SWIMMING POOL	\$ 210,965.63	SWIMMING POOL	\$ 15,771.00
UT TO REIMB	\$ (9,461.73)	UT PILOT	\$ 25,713.44
TOTAL	\$ 329,469.90		\$ 225,148.92