

SEPTEMBER 06, 2011

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M.

ITEM # 1 - Mayor Dennis Wilson called the meeting to order with councilpersons, Danielle Verkamp, Don Moore, Margaret Roberts, Rodney Edwards, and Wendy Chitwood present for the meeting. Also present for the meeting were employees Candace Connell, Chief Anderson, City Clerk Woolsey, and Leader Journal's Greg Edwards and Saint James Press' Chris Daniels and Vicki Frazier representing Beautify St. James.

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

ITEM # 3 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Rodney Edwards the August 01, 2011 Regular Council minutes and the August 25, 2011 Special Tax Rate Hearing and Council meeting minutes were approved as written. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 4 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Rodney Edwards the August 2011 City General fund bills, listed below, and the Utility General bills in the amount of \$625,712.94 were unanimously approved for payment. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 5 – Citizen input: None

ITEM # 6 – Vickie Frazier expressed the desire for City Council approval in allowing Beautify St. James to place a permanent pavilion/stage on E. Washington Street facing Parker St., between Hardy and Washington Streets. The area has been measured and marked by Mark Davis and John Edgar and determined not to be a hindrance if placed at that location.

On a motion from Margaret Roberts and a second by Don Moore it was unanimously approved to allow Beautify St. James to move forward with the pavilion/stage project. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 7 – Proposed Ordinance # 11-1012 - to rezone lots 1 & 2 of Block 1 in Highland Park Addition from R-1, Residential District, to B-1, Neighborhood Business District was posted, given to the City Council 24 hours prior to the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Wendy Chitwood the proposed ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 8 – Proposed Ordinance # 11-1013 - establishing one handicapped parking space on the West side of Maramec Street just South of James Blvd. in the City of St. James, Mo. was posted, given to the City Council 24 hours prior to the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. On a motion by Rodney Edwards and a second by Danielle Verkamp the proposed ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye

ITEM # 9 – Proposed Ordinance # 11-1014- authorizing the Mayor of the City of St. James, Missouri to execute a contract between the City of St. James, Missouri and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission providing for funding to be used for Safe Routes to School Program Activities was posted, given to the City 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 Margaret Roberts the proposed ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye

ITEM # 10 – Proposed Ordinance # 11-1015 – prohibiting the possession or control of a controlled substance and for a penalty and for the repeal of Section 18-17 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of St. James Missouri was posted, given to the City Council 24 hours prior to the meeting and read twice by title at the meeting. On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Wendy Chitwood the proposed ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 11 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Rodney Edwards it was unanimously approved to destroy appropriate 1973 Police Department records as presented. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 12 - On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Rodney Edwards it was unanimously approved to put the City owned 303.5 ft. x 103.4 ft, 0.25 acres, triangular piece of property in Frc. Block 13 in Gorman's addition out for bid. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent Wendy Chitwood - aye.

On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Danielle Verkamp it was unanimously approved to solicit bids for the demolition of the City owned dilapidated brick building on Block 13 in Gorman's addition. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 13 – Mayor Wilson announced a special joint City Council and Utility Board meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the council chambers to review and take action regarding the City Hall and Justice Center renovation.

ITEM # 14 - On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Danielle Verkamp the SJ-11-1LM, Sachs, Change Order was unanimously approved. The vote as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-absent, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 15 – On a motion by Wendy Chitwood and a second by Don Moore the Kiowa Line Builders Change Order was unanimously approved. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 16 – Candace Connell reported the City's web site will be updated using a different firm, the Comprehensive plan draft will require several meetings before final approval, the SRTS projects are progressing, the final walk through for the pool will be done soon and the budget will be amended, the tie line is close to completion with grading and seeding to be done and the final design for draining behind Amanda and Benjamin St. is in process.

ITEM # 17 – Mayor Wilson reported on the upcoming Grape and Fall Festival, the Fire District has opened bids for their new fire house and the pool is now closed for the session.

ITEM # 18 – On a motion by Don Moore and a second by Danielle Verkamp, pursuant to 610.021 (3), personnel, the City Council went into closed session. The vote to go into closed session is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

Mayor Wilson opened the closed session on a motion by Rodney Edwards and a second by Margaret Roberts. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

There was no action taken during the closed session regarding the Community Development/City Administrator position.

On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Don Moore the Closed Session reconvened to Open Session. The vote to go back to open session is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-aye, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-absent, Bryan Lambeth-absent, Rodney Edwards-aye, Don Poskin – absent, Wendy Chitwood - aye.

ITEM # 19 On a motion by Don Moore and a second by Rodney Edwards the meeting adjourned.

Mayor – Dennis Ira Wilson

ATTEST:

City Clerk

AUGUST 2011 BILLS & SALARIES

DEPOSITED IN GEN. FUND

GENERAL	\$	12,196.60	RE TAX/BLDG PERMIT/MISC	\$	4,021.05
POLICE	\$	36,450.12	CABLE TV FRANCHISE	\$	-
COMMUNITY DEV.	\$	5,011.59	SALES TAX	\$	25,805.46
CODES ADMIN	\$	1,479.99	INTEREST	\$	367.10
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$	7,842.11	MUNICIPAL COURT	\$	8,859.00
SANITATION	\$	38,391.12	SANITATION	\$	37,807.80
STREET	\$	26,487.08	GAS TAX/PERMITS	\$	11,932.52
TRANS. SALES TAX	\$	14,473.75	TRANS. SALES TAX	\$	12,902.71
TIC/c of c	\$	3,990.16	TIC	\$	4,168.59
PARK	\$	2,519.00	PARKS	\$	1,083.21
SUMMER SPORTS	\$	14,624.54	SUMMER SPORTS	\$	11,249.12
SWIMMING POOL	\$	28,602.93	SWIMMING POOL	\$	29,615.23
UT TO REIMB	\$	(3,438.36)	UT PILOT	\$	35,728.74
DEPOT	\$	-	DEPOT	\$	255.00
TOTAL	\$	188,630.63	TOTAL	\$	183,795.53