

APRIL 05, 2010

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

7:00 P.M.

ITEM # 1 - Mayor Dennis Wilson called the meeting to order with councilpersons, Don Moore, Jim White, David Watkins, Aaron Hunter, Richard Woolsey, and Margaret Roberts present for the meeting. Also present for the meeting were City employees John Edgar Daniel Scheel, Jeremy Gargus, Chuck Hitch, Tim Craft, Mark Davis, Jami Hunt, the City Clerk, police Chief Jim Anderson, Candace Connell, Ward IV Council candidate Tonya Huskey, Leader Journal's Kathleen Meyer, and Saint James Press Chris Daniels.

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

ITEM # 3 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by David Watkins the March 1st, 2010 regular council meeting minutes were approved as written. Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by David Watkins the March 15th, 2010 special council meeting minutes were approved as written. Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 4 – On a motion by Jim White and a second by Aaron Hunter it was unanimously approved the paying of March, 2010 bills. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 5 – Citizen Input: None.

ITEM # 6 – Mayor Wilson presented certificates to employees Tim Craft, Chuck Hitch, Jeremy Gargus and Daniel Scheel for their participation in the Work Zone Safety & Flagger training program they attended on March 18, 2010.

ITEM # 7 - Proposed Resolution # 10-177 – authorizing designated purchase agent for natural gas supply through the Municipal Gas Commission of Missouri was given to the each City Council member prior to the meeting and read once by title at the meeting. The Resolution passed on a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Jim White. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 8 - Proposed Resolution # 10-178 – authorization for MRPC to process the grant application for the City's participation in Missouri's Safe Routes to School Program was given to the each City Council member prior to the meeting and read once by title at the meeting. The Resolution passed on a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Aaron Hunter. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 9 - Proposed Ordinance # 10-982 regarding Bulk Water Charges was given to each City Council member prior to the meeting, posted 24 hours in advance and read twice by title at the council meeting. On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Jim White the ordinance passed. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

ITEM # 10 – On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by Aaron Hunter the 2010/2011 Budget was approved. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

REVENUES:	RE. TAX	\$ 130,000.00	EXPENSES:	GEN. FUND	\$ 240,800.00
	SALES TAX	\$ 450,000.00		RES 04-136 Reimb. UT	\$ 8,000.00
	CABLE T.V.	\$ 18,050.00		POLICE DEPT.	\$ 445,000.00
	BUSINESS LIC BUILDING PERMITS	\$ 6,000.00		COMMUNITY DEV ENGINEER 1/2 (ut to pay 1/2)	\$ 62,000.00
	INTEREST	\$ 1,500.00			\$ 35,000.00
	MISC.(GEN.-ST.)	\$ 3,000.00			
	MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 750.00		MUNCIPAL COURT	\$ 69,010.00
	GAS & VEH TAX	\$ 69,010.00		STREET DEPT.	\$ 259,500.00
	SPORTS & REC	\$ 141,000.00		SPORTS & REC	\$ 118,500.00
	COMMUNITY PARK	\$ 18,500.00		COMMUNITY PARK	\$ 9,000.00
	SPECIAL TAX: TST with carry over	\$ 9,000.00		TST	\$ 265,000.00
	RE. TAX - PARK	\$ 265,000.00		PARK - RE TAX	\$ 19,000.00
	ENTERPRIZE: SANITATION	\$ 19,000.00		SANITATION DEPT	\$ 400,000.00
	LODGING TAX	\$ 400,000.00		LODGING TAX/TOURISM	\$ 41,000.00
	UT TRANSFER approx 6% SWIMMING POOL	\$ 41,000.00			
	POOL/GO BOND TX	\$ 400,000.00		SWIMMING POOL	\$ 193,000.00
		<u>\$ 193,000.00</u>			<u>\$ 193,000.00</u>
		\$ 2,164,810.00			\$ 2,164,810.00

ITEM # 11 – No action was taken on St. James Municipal Utilities 2010/2011 draft budget.

ITEM # 12 – Candace Connell reported the official pool ground breaking was held earlier today, 04-05-2010, at which time the land transfer papers were signed; that Maggi will be notified that the sidewalk project base bid award has been authorized to resume; Comprehensive Planning and IDA meetings to come; we will soon be getting easements from property owners for the tie line project; \$36,566 from the Progressive Dinner will go towards the renovation of the Depot; City employees will assist in the Sip ‘n Savor event to be held May 01, 2010.

ITEM # 13 – Committee Reports:

Aaron Hunter reported the street department will be sweeping city streets early Friday mornings and will start repairing asphalted streets by oiling the cracks.

David Watkins reported due to increased tipping fees and tonnage, we may need to consider increasing sanitation fees.

Don Moore reported the Farmers market will begin the end of the month; work is being done on the design of a new shirt promoting St. James; remodeling on the inside of the Tourist Information Center building being done; considering the purchase of a digital camera for the TIC use; working on fund raisers to help support the TIC.

On a motion by Jim White and a second by David Watkins it was unanimously approved to allow the City Clerk to solicit bids on a Time Deposit in the amount of \$885,279.22, plus 3 months interest to be added, from the highest bidding local bank at maturity, April 26, 2010. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

Margaret Roberts reported interviews will be conducted soon for a new police officer and the administrative assistant for the police department.

ITEM # 14 – Mayor Wilson reported:

- March’s actual water meter reading makes adjustments for the estimated readings, due to low temperatures and precipitation, shown on the previous two months billing.
- Pam Nolen will be the new manager for the trailer park on James Blvd.
- Depot dedication is scheduled for July 4th weekend.
- St. James Municipal Utilities will host a Pole Climbing school. Approximately 7 utility employees from St. James and surrounding towns will participate.
- Explorer Post 195 will soon begin.
- Requested recommendations from the Council for the names of citizens to fill city board vacancies.
- City wide clean up is scheduled for April 17.

ITEM # 15 – calling for closed session, pursuant to section 610.21(2) of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri regarding disposition/use of the St. James Fire House building. On a motion by Margaret Roberts and a second by David Watkins the council went in to closed session.

On a motion by Don Moore and a second by David Watkins it was unanimously approved to honor the current St. James Volunteer Rural Fire Department Agreement for the St. James Fire Protection District until the expiration date of May 06, 2011 at which time the building will be renovated for future expansion needs of the City. The vote is as follows: Don Moore-aye, Danielle Verkamp-absent, Margaret Roberts-aye, David Watkins-aye, Jim White-aye, Rodney Edwards-absent, Aaron Hunter-aye, Richard Woolsey - aye.

On a motion by David Watkins and a second by Don Moore the City Council returned to Open Session.

On a motion by Jim White and a second by Aaron Hunter the meeting adjourned.

 Mayor – Dennis Ira Wilson

ATTEST:

 City Clerk

MARCH 2010 BILLS & SALARIES

DEPOSITED IN GEN FUND

GENERAL	\$ 28,353.19	RE TAX/BLDG	
POLICE	\$ 19,763.33	PERMIT/MISC	\$ 3,771.45
COMMUNITY DEV.	\$ 4,135.36	CABLE TV FRANCHISE	\$ -
ENGINEER	\$ 2,755.15	SALES TAX	\$ 35,367.98
MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 8,545.58	INTEREST	\$ 535.40
SANITATION	\$ 34,160.08	MUNICIPAL COURT	\$ 4,497.00
STREET	\$ 32,399.19	SANITATION	\$ 33,813.48
TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ -	GAS TAX/PERMITS	\$ 10,212.56
TIC	\$ 3,397.99	TRANS. SALES TAX	\$ 17,683.90
PARK	\$ 1,176.86	TIC	\$ 2,216.06
SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 9,059.05	PARKS	\$ 1,150.06
SWIMMING POOL	\$ 94,384.38	SUMMER SPORTS	\$ 93.25
UT TO REIMB	\$ (2,002.81)	SWIMMING POOL	\$ 10,517.37
		UT PILOT	\$ 48,004.21
TOTAL	\$ 236,127.35		\$ 167,862.72