

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 28, 2014

CALL TO ORDER/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The special Sikeston City Council meeting of April 28, 2014 was called to order at 11:30 a.m., in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Jerry Pullen and Councilmen Steven Burch, Bob Depro, Jon Gilmore, John Graham, and Kathy Teachout. Councilman Maude Harris was absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Economic Development Director Ed Dust, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Director of Public Safety Drew Juden, and Parks Director Jiggs Moore.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Award of Liability Insurance Bids

In 2012, city staff accepted bids for liability insurance. The bid allowed for five one-year renewals. This is the second renewal. The quote of \$330,728 is \$1,826 higher than the expiring premium.

Councilman Teachout moved to authorize the payment of \$330,728 to Newton & Company, LLC for the City's liability insurance coverage. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Graham Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Bid Number 14-24, Demolition of Village Green Property

Economic Development Director Ed Dust reviewed the six (6) bids received for the demolition of the Village Green Property. Councilman Burch moved to award Bid Number 14-24 to Kevin Williams Excavating and Demolition, for \$143,000. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore. During discussion, Councilman Graham and Mattress Store owner, Bill Adkisson, commented. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Graham Abstained,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Award of RFP #14-27, Animal Shelter Services

City Manager JD Douglass reviewed the proposals received for operation of the city animal shelter. The City's current contract is with the Sikeston Area Humane Society. Their proposal was less than Society did not meet the requirements for insurance, housing of all animals indoor, no solicitation from city residents at drop-off, and pens must be available for drop off by Code Enforcement Officers. Despite these deficiencies, the Humane Society has hired a new director. City staff recommended awarding the contract for a six-month probationary period. During the six-month period, city staff will closely monitor the shelter operations. Councilman Graham moved to award a six month contract to the Sikeston Area Humane Society contingent

upon the City Manager's expectations being met. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Graham Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Establishment and Appointment of Airport Terminal Building Project Advisory Committee

Public Works Director Jay Lancaster requested an Advisory Committee of five (5) members be appointed to provide a well-rounded perspective on the design phase for the new airport terminal building project. The appointees should be members that conduct business at the airport. Councilman Gilmore nominated Councilman Burch to serve as the city council liaison to the Airport Terminal Building Project Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Councilman Graham and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Graham Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Each councilperson was requested to bring a suggested nomination for consideration at the next council meeting.

Submission of Proposed FY 2015 Budget

City Manager JD Douglass provided a copy of the proposed FY2015 Budget for City Council review. A public hearing will be held on Friday, May 9, 2014 at 11:30 a.m., as required by the City Charter.

Council Consideration of May-June Meeting Dates

Council agreed to set the May special meeting for 11:30 AM, Monday, May 19. It was also decided the special meeting of June 9 will convene at 5 PM. Council will be taking action on the FY-15 budget ordinances during this meeting.

Other Items

Louie Griffin of 1012 Pine Street expressed dissatisfaction regarding the revision of the due date for mowing bids.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Depro moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burch and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Graham Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

JERRY PULLEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: