

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2017

The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of January 3, 2017 was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore, Ryan Merideth, Gerald Settles, and Mary White-Ross. 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 Safety Director Drew Juden, Public Safety Captains Mike Williams and James McMillen, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Parks Director Dustin Care, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, and Airport Manager Lee Dunn.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council minutes of December 5, 2016 were presented for approval. Councilwoman White-Ross moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Gilmore seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Minutes from various board and commission meetings were presented to the City Council. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and voted as follows:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Briefing on New Madrid County Floodplain Mapping Project

Public Works Director Lancaster and City Manager Douglass attended a kick off meeting sponsored by SEMA and AMEC Foster Wheeler on the floodplain remapping of New Madrid County. City staff was advised that Sikeston will not be impacted by the project, since it was remapped in 2012.

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Authorization to Accept Midland GIS Proposal for Aerial Photography

Councilman Gilmore moved to accept the proposal received from Midland GIS for aerial photography of the City, in the amount of \$15,750. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Sign Request from Alan Wire

Councilman Merideth moved to authorize staff to enter into an agreement with Alan Wire to locate a sign on the City controlled right-of-way adjacent to the Alan Wire plant on west Malone Avenue. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Bill Number 6044, Calling for April 4, 2017 General Election

Councilman Gilmore moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6044. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman White-Ross and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

Bill Number 6044

Ordinance Number 6044

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6044, CALLING FOR A GENERAL ELECTION IN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, ON TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2017, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A CANDIDATE FOR THE POSITION OF COUNCILMAN AT-LARGE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION I: This ordinance shall not be codified.

SECTION II: That in accordance with the Missouri Comprehensive Election Laws of the State of Missouri, applicable Missouri Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri and the ordinances of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, a General Election shall be held and the same is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, April 4, 2017.

SECTION III: That the polls be open for said election continuously from six o' clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon of that day, April 4, 2017.

SECTION IV: That said election be held in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, in the polling places and precincts designated by the County Clerk.

SECTION V: That said election is hereby called for the purpose of electing one (1) candidate for the office of Councilman At-Large.

SECTION VI: That the Judges and Clerks of said election shall be those appointed by the County Clerk.

SECTION VII: That the City Clerk shall cause notice, poll books, ballots, and all other matters necessary to the election to be requested from the County Clerk's office as required by law.

SECTION VIII: That the City Clerk of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County Clerk of Scott County, Missouri, of the adoption of this ordinance no later than January 24, 2017, and to include in said notification all the terms and provisions required by the Comprehensive Election Act of 1986, as amended, and the above cited Statutes and ordinances.

SECTION IX: General Repealer Section. Any other ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION X: Severability. Should any part or parts of this Ordinance be found or held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining part or parts shall be severable and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION XI: Record of Passage.

- A. Bill Number 6044 was introduced to Council and read the first time this 5th day of December, 2016.
- B. Bill Number 6044 was read the second time, and discussed this 3rd day of January 2017. Councilman Settles moved to approve Bill Number 6044. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed,
becoming Ordinance 6044.

- C. Ordinance 6044 shall be in full force and effect from and after February 3rd, 2017.

Other Items

The City Council retreat will be held at the Bootheel Club on Saturday.

Donald Gipson of 207 Westgate requested to speak with the city manager regarding his condemned properties.

ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Merideth moved to adjourn into executive session for the discussion of property [RSMO 610.021 (2)]. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following roll call vote recorded:

Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Settles Aye,
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Mayor Burch called the executive session to order. Present were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Ryan Merideth, Jon Gilmore, Gerald Settles and Mary White-Ross. 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, and Public Safety Director Juden.

Councilman Settles moved to pay \$1,000 to secure a 6 month option to purchase the Lil' Peddler Shop for \$75,000. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans No, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

No further action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Merideth moved to adjourn from executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: