

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 1, 2017**

The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of May 1, 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 Mike Williams, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Parks Director Dustin Care, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, and Senior Building Official Collin Cecil.

**APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

City Council minutes of April 3, April 17, April 20, and April 24, 2017 were presented for approval. Councilwoman White-Ross moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Settles seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

**ADVISORY BOARD COUNCIL LIASION REPORTS**

No information was provided.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**Proposed FY-18 Budget and Staffing Levels**

Councilman Merideth moved to open the public hearing for discussion of the proposed FY-18 Budget and staffing levels. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded:

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

City Manager Douglass reviewed the proposed FY 2018 Budget and staffing changes included in the staffing authorization ordinance. Councilman Settles moved to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded:

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

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS****Bill Number 6057, Authorizing and Establishing Electrical Charges and Rates for the City of Sikeston**

Councilman Settles moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6057. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman White-Ross and the following vote recorded:

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

Counselor Leible presented the bill for a second reading.

BILL NUMBER 6057

ORDINANCE NUMBER 6057

A BILL, WHICH UPON ADOPTION AND PASSAGE SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6057 AUTHORIZING AND ESTABLISHING ELECTRICAL CHARGES AND RATES FOR THE CITY OF SIKESTON.

WHEREAS, the Board of Municipal Utilities has determined that electrical rate increases are necessary and proper to maintain the economic viability of the municipal utility system, and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes an increase in rates is in the overall best interest of the residents of Sikeston.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This ordinance shall not be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The electric rates to be charged by the Board of Municipal Utilities from and after June 1, 2017 shall be as set forth on Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

SECTION III: The electric rates to be charged by the Board of Municipal Utilities from and after January 1, 2018 shall be as set forth on Exhibit "B" which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference.

SECTION IV: The Mayor and/or City Clerk are authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to implement said rate changes.

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

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

SECTION VII: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6057 was introduced and read the first time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.

- B. Bill Number 6057 was read the second time and discussed on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2017. Councilman Settles moved to approve Bill Number 6057. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye,  
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed,  
and becoming Ordinance 6057.

- C. Ordinance 6057 shall be in full force and effect from and after June 1, 2017

Bill Number 6053, Request to Approve Subdivision, CD Matthews South Main, 1<sup>st</sup> Addition

Councilman Merideth moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6053. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded.

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

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

Bill Number 6053

Ordinance 6053

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6053 PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF SUBDIVIDING A 4.09 ACRE TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND BEING KNOWN AS C.D. MATTHEWS SOUTH MAIN, 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION, CITY OF SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI, AND WHICH GENERALLY LIES NORTH OF HELEN STREET, WEST OF US HIGHWAY 61, AND EAST OF WARNER STREET, IN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This Ordinance shall not be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The Planning and Zoning Commission met on April 11, 2017 and passed a favorable recommendation to approve the subdividing of a tract or parcel of land the plat of which is attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference and legally described as follows and known as C.D. Matthews South Main, 1<sup>st</sup> Addition:

"A TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN AND BEING A PART OF U.S.P.S. NO. 631, TOWNSHIP 26 NORTH, RANGE 14 EAST, IN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI AND BEING MORE FULLY DESCRIBED BY METES AND BOUNDS AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 9 IN BLOCK 2 OF COLLINS, 2ND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MISSOURI; THENCE N.70°59'00"E. ON AND ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID BLOCK 2 OF COLLINS, 2ND ADDITION A DISTANCE OF 398.60 FEET TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 5 IN BLOCK 2 OF SAID COLLINS, 2ND ADDITION; THENCE N.69°19'00"E. A DISTANCE OF 360.60 FEET TO THE WEST R/W LINE OF U.S. HIGHWAY 61; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ON AND ALONG A CURVE TO THE RIGHT HAVING A RADIUS OF 1860.10 FEET A LENGTH

OF 400.00 FEET TO THE NORTH R/W LINE OF HELEN STREET; THENCE S.82°34'00"W. ON AND ALONG THE NORTH R/W LINE OF HELEN STREET A DISTANCE OF 542.60 FEET TO THE EAST R/W LINE OF WARNER STREET; THENCE N.19°01'00"W. ON AND ALONG THE EAST R/W LINE OF WARNER STREET A DISTANCE OF 211.10 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. CONTAINING IN ALL 4.09 ACRES, MORE OR LESS. SUBJECT TO ALL EASEMENTS, IF ANY, AFFECTING THE SAME”.

SECTION III: Said plat and subdivision is accepted and approved subject to full compliance with all applicable building and other codes and the stormwater management plan.

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

SECTION V: 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 VI: Record of Passage

- A. Bill Number 6053 was introduced and read the first time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.
- B. Bill Number 6053 was read the second time and discussed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2017. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve Bill Number 6053. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye,  
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed,  
and becoming Ordinance 6053.

- C. Ordinance 6053 shall be in full force and effect from and after Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

Bill Number 6054, Request to Approve Subdivision, Sikeston Point, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition

Councilman Merideth moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6054. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles and the following vote recorded:

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

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

BILL NUMBER 6054

ORDINANCE 6054

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6054 PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF SUBDIVIDING A 1.27 ACRE TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND BEING KNOWN AS SIKESTON POINT, 2<sup>ND</sup> ADDITION, CITY OF SIKESTON, NEW MADRID COUNTY, MISSOURI, AND WHICH GENERALLY LIES SOUTH OF SOUTHLAND AVENUE, WEST OF US HIGHWAY 61 AND EAST OF SOUTH KINGSHIGHWAY STREET, IN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, NEW MADRID COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This Ordinance shall not be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The Planning and Zoning Commission met on April 11, 2017 and passed a favorable recommendation to approve the subdividing of a tract or parcel of land the plat of which is attached hereto, marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated by reference and legally described as follows and known as Sikeston Point, 2<sup>nd</sup> Addition:

"A tract or parcel of land being a part of U.S.P.S. No. 1032, Township 26 North, Range 14 East, City of Sikeston, New Madrid County, Missouri and being further described by metes and bounds as follows:

Commencing at the East corner of Lot 1 in Sikeston Point Addition to the City of Sikeston, New Madrid County, Missouri as recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in Plat Book 7 on Page 154 for the point of beginning; thence N 26°57'34" E along the West right-of-way line of U.S. Highway 61 a distance of 149.95 feet to Highway Sta 55+00, 70'RT and monumented with a #5 rebar and cap stamped Darrall R. Hirtz, PLS 2140; thence N 24°19'01" E along said right-of-way line a distance of 122.70 feet, monumented the same, being the Southeast corner of the Dairy Queen Property as recorded in Book 734, Page 671; thence N 87°07'43" W along the South line thereof a distance of 94.92 feet to the Southwest corner of said tract, monumented the same; thence N 9°39'27" W along the West line of said tract a distance of 15.01 feet, monumented the same; thence S 80°17'29" W a distance of 250.84 feet, monumented the same; thence S 9°42'35" E a distance of 108.84 feet to the North corner of said Lot 1 in Sikeston Point Addition; thence S 60°56'09" E a distance of 237.63 feet to the point of beginning and containing 1.27 acres, more or less. Subject to any and all easements, if any, affecting the same".

SECTION III: Said plat and subdivision is accepted and approved subject to full compliance with all applicable building and other codes and the stormwater management plan.

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

SECTION V: 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 VI: Record of Passage

- A. Bill Number 6054 was introduced and read the first time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.
- B. Bill Number 6054 was read the second time and discussed this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2017. Councilman Merideth moved to approve Bill Number 6054. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman White-Ross and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye,  
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed,  
and becoming ordinance 6054.

- C. Ordinance 6054 shall be in full force and effect from and after Wednesday, May 31, 2017.

Bill Number 6055, Amending City Code to Prohibit the Manufacturing and Storage of Fertilizer Made of Organic Matter

Councilman Gilmore moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6055. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded:

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

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

BILL NUMBER 6055

ORDINANCE NUMBER 6055

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6055 AND SHALL AMEND TITLE IV, CHAPTER 400, SECTION 405.1130 USE TABLES.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This ordinance shall be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The Planning and Zoning Commission did meet on April 11, 2017, and pursuant to a vote recommended that the Table of Uses be amended to prohibit the manufacturing or storage of fertilizer made from organic matter.

SECTION III: Title IV, Chapter 400, Section 405.1130 shall be amended to include as follows:

Table of Uses  
NA – Not allowed

Special Permit Required - the manufacture or storage of fertilizer made from organic matter -  
NA

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

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

SECTION VI: Record of Passage:

- A. Bill Number 6055 was introduced and read the first time this 24<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2017.
- B. Councilman Gilmore moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6055. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and read the second time and discussed on this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2017. Councilman Settles moved to approve Bill Number 6055. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following roll call vote recorded:

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

C. Ordinance 6055 shall be in full force and effect from and after June 1, 2017.

#### Council Appointment to Planning & Zoning Commission

Councilman Settles was appointed to Planning & Zoning Commission and the BMU Board of Commissions. The meetings are conducted at the same time. Due to the scheduling conflict, he requested another councilmember be appointed to the Planning & Zoning Commission.

Councilman Merideth nominated Councilman Gilmore to serve on the Planning & Zoning Commission. The nomination was seconded by Councilman Self and there being no further nominations, the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

#### South Industrial Park Financing

The City Council has previously authorized the purchase of 265 acres south of Sikeston for a new industrial park. The City Counselor will be presenting recommendations regarding the financing at the May 1 city council meeting.

#### Other Items

The Department of Public Safety reviewed their activities during the flooding of Van Buren and Current River.

#### **ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilwoman White-Ross 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:

Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self 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, Jon Gilmore, Ryan Merideth, Brian Self, 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 Williams, and Public Works Director Jay Lancaster.

Councilman Settles moved to have Counselor Leible prepare documents for the exchange of 16.5 acres owned by the City of Sikeston in the north industrial park for the Unilever south plant located on County Line Road. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote recorded:

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

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

**ADJOURNMENT**

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

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

APPROVED:

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STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: