

The Seymour Board of Alderman met for a regular meeting at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 28, 2019 in the Seymour City Hall Board Room, 123 West Market Street.

At 6:00 p.m. Mayor Richard Vinson called the meeting to order.

Roll call: Jim Ashley, Mary Carpenter, Nadine Crisp, Dan Wehmer. It is determined there is a quorum.

Also, present was City Administrator Sam Burt, Police Consultant Bob Paudert, Police Officer Chase Davis, Supervisor Mitch Plummer, Assistant to the Administrator Hillary Gintz, City Clerk Leslie Houk.

### Old Business

#### Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Wehmer/Crisp to approve the minutes. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

#### New Business

#### Approval to Pay Bills

A motion was made by Carpenter/Ashley to approve the bills. Ayes: All. Nays: None.

#### Citizen Comments

David Carpenter asked about Taco Bell's sales tax. Alderman Dan Wehmer answered that in January and February Taco Bell had reported \$83,000.00 & \$85,000.00. Mr. Carpenter asked about signage on highway 60 to let drivers know what restaurants, gas stations etc are in town.

#### Toth & Associates-Matt Miller

Matt Miller with Toth & Associates gave an update on the water chlorination. Mr. Miller presented 3 different proposals for the Ventura Drive lift station. A motion was made by Wehmer/Crisp to approve the lift station rehabilitation proposal. Ayes: Wehmer, Crisp. Nays: Ashley, Carpenter. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-no. Alderwoman Mary Carpenter-no. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes. Mayor Richard Vinson broke the tie with a yes vote.

#### Supervisor Report-Mitch Plummer

See Report

City Supervisor Mitch Plummer passed out bids for a backhoe. The Case backhoe is wearing out and will cost more to rebuild than what it is worth. The Board would like to get a comparison on purchasing or leasing a backhoe.

### Police Report-Chase Davis

See Report.

### City Administrator Report-Sam Burt

City Administrator Sam Burt attended a SMCOC meeting. City Administrator Burt let the Board know Active Shooter Training is scheduled for April 4 from 7:00 am to 12:00 pm. All city employees and elected officials are encouraged to be there.

### Mayor Report-Richard Vinson

Nothing to Report.

### Aldermen's Report

Alderman Jim Ashley made a motion to take the money from selling the old city hall and apply it towards the bank loan for the ice storm. All the Board of Alderman are OK with Alderman Ashley's request. Alderman Ashley would like to see the caboose painted. A motion was made by Ashley/Carpenter to send two city employees to lead base paint school so the caboose can get painted correctly. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Alderman Ashley spoke with Bus Andrews on the dump truck and bed. They said it should be done in a week. Alderman Ashley asked where we are on CDL's. The employees need to study and take the test.

Alderwoman Mary Carpenter asked if the water tower will be painted soon. This will be budgeted in July. Alderwoman Carpenter asked if the city was going to do anything about the ditch needing cleaned out on Steel Street. Anthony Kelly owns the property so the city cannot clean it out.

Alderwoman Nadine Crisp had Frank Ipock ask her if the city had anything to put in the FFA auction. Alderwoman Crisp commented the City of Springfield received a \$650,000.00 grant for sidewalks. Alderwoman Crisp asked if letters are being mailed out for property clean up.

Alderman Dan Wehmer would like to have the street department get a tentative cost on signage directing visitors to different places in the city. Alderman Wehmer is thinking signage with city logo, blue with white lettering or brown with white lettering. Alderman Wehmer would like to finish the project on the restrooms at the old Blackwell building. He would like to have bids by the next budget time. Alderman Wehmer would like to revisit the 3/8 sales tax split between the fire and police. Last year the Board approved an 80/20 split. Alderman Wehmer would like to think about changing the split to 50/50 at budget time.

At 8:00 p.m. a motion was made by Crisp/Ashley to go into executive session. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderwoman Mary Carpenter-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

The reason for executive session is Real Estate.

At 9:12 p.m. a motion was made by Wehmer/Crisp to go back into open session. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderwoman Mary Carpenter-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

A motion was made by Crisp/Carpenter to accept Jerry Kleier's offer on his land. Mr. Kleier's offer is to sell some property he owns to the city. Jerry said the cost of the property is what the cost would be for closing at the title company which the city would pay 100% of closing cost in exchange for Lot 17 Karen Circle and the Green Area 1 & 2. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderwoman Mary Carpenter-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

City Administrator Sam Burt let the Board know he hired Robert Sikes for the water department position.

At 9:16 p.m. a motion was made by Crisp/Wehmer to adjourn. Ayes: All. Nays: None. The following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Jim Ashley-yes. Alderwoman Mary Carpenter-yes. Alderwoman Nadine Crisp-yes. Alderman Dan Wehmer-yes.

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Mayor Richard Vinson

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City Clerk Leslie Houk