

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
RAND CENTER
FEBRUARY 17, 2015
6:00 P.M.

Mayor Sargent presided over the meeting and called it to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following Council members present: Isom, Ratliff, Thompson and Council members Struble and Johnson by phone. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Miller and visitors: Tom Jarosz, John Riley, Bev Winans, Vonda Ford, Brenda Osborn, Zach Olinger, John Tiffey, Ed Murray, Jesusa Christians.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Council member Isom to approve the agenda for February 17, 2015, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Struble to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Council member Isom. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Tom Jarosz was introduced as Building Inspector.

Several employees spoke in regard to wage increases for FY16.

Council considered the proposal from CJ Futures for landscaping maintenance at the Welcome Sign. Moved by Council member Ratliff to approve the proposal, seconded by Council member Isom. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Isom to approve the request from AYSO to put a banner on the pool fence for registration, seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Isom to donate the air cascade machine to the Modale Fire Department contingent on the Missouri Valley Fire Department getting a new one, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 4-1 vote with Council member Ratliff voting nay.

Council discussed wage increases for the FY16 budget. Following discussion, moved by Council member Ratliff to set wages at 3% for non-union employees, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 4-1 vote with Council member Struble voting nay. This does not apply to seasonal staff, which has already been set.

Moved by Council member Thompson to set the public hearing on the FY16 budget for March 3, 2015 at 6:00 p.m., seconded by Council member Struble. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Johnson to accept the proposed FY16 budget as amended, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved by Council member Struble to waive building permit fees on the CDBG rehab houses, seconded by Council member Ratliff. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Council discussed property offered on a tax sale, with consensus being to pass on pursuing a purchase.

Moved by Council member Struble to approve the request from the Harrison County Fair for a fireworks display at the fair on Saturday night, seconded by Council member Thompson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

City Clerk/Administrator Miller informed Council of lighting options at the caboose lot. She was directed to contact the Chamber to tie in with the windmill. Miller also gave an update from the Corps of Engineers on the Section 205 study.

Moved to adjourn by Council member Struble, seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 4-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

Attest:
Rita Miller
City Clerk/Administrator