

**CITY OF MISSOURI VALLY
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL
Thursday, February 21, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

Mayor Kelly presided over the meeting and called it to order at 6:00 P.M. with the following Council members present: Gunderson, Pfouts, Struble, Stueve, and Tiffey. Also present were: Dave Scott, Evan White, Jake Satama, James Newton, Melba Struble, Bob Riesland, Jim Olmsted, Ron Jones, Laura Jones, James Frazier, Justin Dems, and Tami Cates.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Kelly asked Council for any comments or additions-Gunderson, Stueve, and Pfouts requested and will be 13a, 13b, and 13c.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Struble to approve the agenda for the February 21, 2019 meeting. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Tiffey, seconded by Stueve to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) Minutes from February 5, 2019 City Council Meeting b) Claims list c) Water and Park Board reports d) Clerks Financial Report. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Dave Scott inquired about when the City was going to clean his ditch and is going to submit a bill for water damages. He also would like to know if the City has looked for the infrastructure money received from FEMA. Kelley stated that Flaherty has received the records and there are no discrepancies. Flaherty stated that the Street Department will continue to clear ditches in the area and she will submit the bill to insurance.

Ron Jones is unhappy with the snow removal. His sidewalk is located next to the street. When the street crews are pushing snow they cover his sidewalk after he has already cleared the snow. Mayor Kelly stated that he will speak with the Public Works Department.

Jim Olmsted with Olmsted & Perry gave an update on the Water Treatment Plant. They had a successful restart on February 13th. VESCO, PeopleService, and Olmsted & Perry were in attendance. The two filters are operating and the other two have been taken offline. There is an issue with a valve. Sherman Company believes it is the actuator. The parts and labor are approximately \$2,053.00. Council would like Sherman Company to look at the valve before ordering any replacements parts. Flaherty will put this on the next agenda for formal approval. Olmsted stated that they will start the Street and Sidewalk Studies as soon as the snow melts.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to approve Mayor's appointment of Geraldine Edmonds and Mike Guinan to the Low Rent Housing Board, term expiring March 2021. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to table authorizing the Mayor to sign Prochaska & Associates Letter Agreement for Phase I: Preliminary Concept Planning. Council would like

members of the Fire Association to come and discuss funding options. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Discussion was held on the FY 19/20 budget. Flaherty stated that minor changes were made and the levy was reduced from the last meeting.

Motion by Stueve, seconded by Pfouts to set the Public Hearing for the FY 19/20 Budget at 6 p.m. on March 11, 2019 at City Hall. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Discussion was held on the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code. SWIPCO held a Community Housing Meeting and they spoke about making improvements to the community and housing. They currently help with a rental property registration and inspection program. SWIPCO would do inspections and help the City figure out the fees to charge rental property owners. They would like the City to adopt the 2015 International Property Maintenance Code. Council would like Flaherty to prepare the ordinance. SWIPCO will be at the March 5th meeting to answer any questions.

Gunderson stated that on February 19th, the railroad blocked all three crossings. Kelly stated it was an emergency shutdown. The camera system will be running until the end of February and then the footage will need to be gone through.

Stueve inquired about new flood maps and asked how the City is issuing permits in the Willow Park area. Flaherty stated that the Building Inspector has to receive a certificate of elevation and contacts the Iowa DNR before issuing any permits. The preliminary flood maps from the County have been released but they have not released the City flood maps. FEMA will be having a town meeting once the City maps are released. Patty asked why the City is dumping snow by the old baseball field on Harrison Street. Flaherty stated that Rand Center no longer wants the City to dump snow on their property. Riesland stated that they dumped on the wrong spot and will not be dumping on the field from now on. Stueve also wanted to remind everyone to scoop their sidewalks.

Kelly stated again that Flaherty received the FEMA records and all funds have been accounted for. There is an IDOT meeting on March 20th. Struble and Gunderson volunteered to attend. Kelly stated that the City will be looking for new ways to plow the City streets during a snow emergency. He also stated that he and Flaherty attended a meeting with the Rand Center Board and proposed two options for the rock parking lot. He suggested the Rand Center either donate or lease the lot to the City.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to enter into closed session at 6:39 p.m. per IA Code 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to return to open session at 7:35 p.m. with no action taken. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to enter into closed session at 7:36 p.m. per IA Code 20.17 to discuss Union negotiations. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to return to open session at 7:51 p.m. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to adjourn at 7:52 p.m. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Shawn Kelly, Mayor

Attest: Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk