

**CITY OF MISSOURI VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MISSOURI VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 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: Milinda Coddington, Linda Coddington, Chris Myer, Jeannie Wortman, Eric Ford, Tylor Wallis, Amy Ford, Leonard Johnson, Katie Preston, Lisa Dozier, Kristie Kruckman, Tom Chvala, Kory Preston, and Mike Kenealy.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Kelly asked Council for any comments or additions- Gunderson requested and will be 16a.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Tiffey to approve the agenda for the December 3, 2019 meeting. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Gunderson would like a correction made to the 11/19/2019 minutes. He was misquoted and would like the minutes to read that from 1960 to 1970 to present, the City has lost 136 businesses.

Motion by Struble, seconded by Tiffey to approve the following items on the consent agenda: a) Minutes from 11/19/2019 City Council Meeting b) Claims list c) Safety Committee Minutes. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Sally Salter stated that the Park Board is going to apply for the two tree grants and they will be awarded in the Spring.

Jim Olmsted gave an update on projects. They are still working on FEMA projects. They submitted their estimates for Willow Park to FEMA. Terracon performed the geotechnical testing at the Library. The results have been submitted to the structural engineer to get prices. The southwest corner is the weak spot. Olmsted gave Council a list of prioritized streets. He would like Council to drive the streets and give their opinions on how to proceed.

Jim Olmsted stated that at the last Council meeting the bids were opened for two of the 2019 Flood Projects. Council approved the low bid to Midwest Mechanical for the Ditch Clean Out and Lagoon Improvements. Olmsted said the low bid did not add up but when the numbers were verified, they were correct. The discrepancies were verified and corrected. The low bid was \$154,068.13. Olmsted recommends re-awarding the contract to the low bidder with the acknowledgment and waive the discrepancies.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to award the contract for the 2019 Flood Projects- Ditch Cleanout and Lagoon Improvements to Midwest Mechanical Industrial Services, LLC, in the amount of the corrected bid of \$154,086.13. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Olmsted stated that the bids for the 2019 Flood Projects- Street Reconstruction were correct and he recommends Council make a motion to award the contract to Precision Concrete Services in the amount of \$487,813.00.

Motion by Stueve, seconded by Pfouts to award the contract to Precision Concrete Services for the 2019 Flood Projects- Street Reconstruction. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Chief Wohlers, Fire Chief, stated there were 31 calls in November. The State Training Bureau conducted high angle rope rescue and have scheduled ice rescue for January. They toured Agriland and will transport Santa around town. Stueve inquired about the Mouw building and if the Fire Marshall will complete an inspection and if there will be another fire exit. Wohlers will contact the Fire Marshall's office. Gunderson inquired if testing was done at the Rath building.

Chris Myer, Park Superintendent, stated the Parks Department and the school have been working on picnic tables. The department will be attending CPO training this week. They have also put up Christmas lights.

Chief Murray, Police Chief, gave an update on the patrol vehicle. Woodhouse has been difficult to work with and could not give a completion date. He received a quote from Carl Chevrolet in Ankeny. He ordered a truck. After the equipment is purchased and installed, he believes the vehicle will be under budget. In next year's budget, he is going to need new radios. The current radios are outdated and they currently cannot communicate with the Sheriff Department. He also has an officer that would like to start the D.A.R.E. program.

The Street Department was not present and Mayor Kelly read their report. The Department installed parking signs on 5th Street, ordered 50 No Parking signs, put up Christmas lights, repaired a broken sewer main by the interstate, put the new blade on the truck, sweeping streets, and rocked around the recycle bins.

Jeannie Wortman with the Chamber gave an update on past and future events. SWIPCO is working on the Community Catalyst grant. She will speak with Mr. Mouw about the additional fire escape.

Kristie Kruckman, Missouri Valley High School Principal, gave a presentation on the Missouri Valley Coalition 4 Change. The Coalition is focused on drug and alcohol use in teens. They need the City's support. They would like a City representative to attend meetings. The Coalition needs City support to apply for grants. The grant is for hiring an employee to attend events, work with business, and work to change people's perceptions. The next meeting is December 16th from 11:30 to 12:30 p.m. and they would like Council to attend.

Gunderson would like a copy of the claims list attached to the agenda for the citizens to look at during Council meetings. Motion by Gunderson to make a copy of the claims list is available to the citizens. Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Mike Kenealy, Trustee for St. Patrick's Catholic Church, stated that the cemetery roads on the Mount Carmel side are in need of repair. There is a shared City road and he calculated 950 feet belongs to the City. They would like to repair the roads and the City pay for their share. He has received two bids. One to replace with concrete, \$136,585.00 and the other for asphalt overlay, \$56,840.00. Olmsted suggested that they combine the project with a current street project, to reduce costs. Flaherty suggested that the City Attorney review the deed to see what percentage is covered by the City.

Discussion was held on Conflicts of Interest. Newly elected Council member Ford's mother is the current Deputy Clerk. City Attorney Argotsinger stated there are certain situations that Ford or any Council member would need to abstain from voting if there was a conflict with a family member. Examples would be for individual raises, disciplinary actions, or if it was for the department the individual worked for. Unless there is an obvious conflict, the Council member should vote.

Gunderson congratulated Ford for her work on the Safety Committee. He is looking for grants for curbing. He would like to see the flags put up when the Christmas decorations are taken down. Gunderson will be out of town during the next Council meeting. He thanked everyone for their support.

There were no City Clerk comments.

There were no Mayor comments.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded Stueve to accept the resignation of Brenda Osborn. Motion carried on 5-0 vote.

Motion by Pfouts, seconded by Stueve to adjourn at 7:06 p.m. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Shawn Kelly, Mayor

Attest: Jodie Flaherty, City Clerk