

CITY OF MISSOURI VALLEY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
RAND COMMUNITY CENTER
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024
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: Tuttle, Keizer, Stueve, and Taylor. Councilman Struble was absent. Citizens in attendance were Dakoda Tish, Adam Bellis, Jerry Keizer, Evelyn Marshall, Jeannie Wortman, Mary Jo Buckley, Richard Gochenour, DeAnn Kruempel, Phyllis Henrich, Forest and Nikki Dooley, Ashley West, Joel Acosta, Kairy Acosta, and Zach Hadley.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion to approve Agenda for February 20, 2024, made by Taylor, second by Tuttle. Motion passes.

Motion to approve Consent Agenda with a) Minutes from January 16, and February 6, 2024, Council Meetings, b) Minutes from January 3 and February 7, 2024, Park Board Meetings, c) Minutes from January 29, 2024, Planning and Zoning Meeting, d) Claims list from February 6 and February 20, 2024, e) Police Department Report, f) Liquor License for Campo Azul Mexican Restaurant, Inc, g) Financial Reports for January 2024, and h) Utility Reconciliation from January 2024 made by Stueve, second by Tuttle. Motion passes.

Citizen Inquiry: Jeannie Wortman, Missouri Valley Chamber of Commerce, thanked the City for their annual donation for the Mo Valley Rally, welcomed the new Crop Insurance business to town, and handed out a list of Chamber events for the 2024 year.

Jeff Frey gave the Council an updated status of current City Projects.

Motion to approve Resolution 24-08 approving contract and performance and/or payment bonds for the 2022 Well Improvements Project made by Stueve, second by Keizer. Motion passes.

The Control Improvements at the Water Treatment Plan is 99% complete. Discussion was had on future projects for the City. Frey also explained that some valves at the Lagoon need to be replaced.

Mary Jo Buckley gave the Park Board update. They submitted a grant for mulch, and the Masonic Lodge donated the remainder amount for the playground equipment.

Dakoda Tish, People Service, updated the Council on the Water and Sewer of the City. He discussed all the breaks that happened because of the cold weather, the breaks on Erie Street, control upgrades at the plant, hydrant flushing, and how the warmer weather is triggering the lagoon to flip causing the rotten egg smell in town.

Rich Gochenour updated the Council on pool slide stairs, getting quotes for painting the pool, finishing the lighting at the Street Shed, Grooms Hall, and Park lights, bids for gutters at the pool, dirt that needs to go to the new well site, stopping the sale of dirt, possibly closing the tree dump, and the welcome sign coming into town from the North side fell down.

Motion to approve Resolution 24-09 setting the date for a public hearing on the proposal to enter into a General Obligation Ambulance Acquisition Loan Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$425,000 made by Taylor, second by Stueve. Motion passes.

Budget Workshop: The City is required to give the minimum of the taxable revenue for the Library. It is recommended that the Library spend down the surplus with the City appropriating the minimum taxable revenue to the Library. The Council decided to appropriate \$70,000.00 to the Library for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year. The Library Board questioned what would happen if a project did come up. The Council explained that they could always come back and request funds for a project. The Council talked about a new Police Vehicle for the 2024/2025 Fiscal Year. The Council discussed the Water and Sewer budget. The Council would like to replace hydrants that are not in service. They discussed new valves and meters. Tish would like to discuss the sewer budget at the next meeting. The Council discussed Capital Project options: 4th Street, complete replacement of roadway and water mains from Superior to Linn Street; 7th Street, complete replacement of roadway and water mains from Erie to Linn Street; and 1st Street, complete replacement of roadway, water mains and sewer mains from Michigan to Liberty Ave. They will finish the budget discussion at the next meeting.

Taylor questioned Gochenour about vacating Walnut Street. Tuttle handed out a letter in objection to the vacation of Walnut Street. Concerns about EMS accessing the properties were discussed.

Colglazier emailed the Council the clerk's comments.

Motion to adjourn made by Taylor, second by Tuttle. Motion passes.

/S/Shawn Kelly, Mayor

Attest:/S/Turri Colglazier, City Administrator