

CITY OF BUTLER
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
August 18th, 2015

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, August 18th, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 22 West Ohio with Mayor Malan presiding. The following Councilmen were present:

ROLL CALL

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| Brad Vermaas | Craig Irwin |
| Brian Phillips | Terry Agnew |
| Thom Burg | Gayle Cook |
| Gayle Stark | Carolyn Jett |

OTHERS PRESENT

Others present were City Administrator Casey Koehn, City Clerk Corey Snead, Police Chief Randy Beshore, Codes Officer Jim Wheatley, City Attorney Tom Addleman and Bates County Economic Developer Elizabeth Ogg.

OTHER GUESTS

Linn Nitsche, Gayle Hayes and Kerry Corday

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Irwin to approve the minutes of the regular session of August 4th, 2015. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Agnew to approve the bills presented for payment. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Vermaas, seconded by Irwin to approve the training request presented. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

ADDITION TO AGENDA

To add Kerry Corday to the scheduled guest, Motion by Phillips to add Kerry Corday to scheduled guest, seconded by Cook. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

SCHEDULED GUESTS

Kerry Corday

Kerry Corday from MPUA talked about the grant the City received for \$42,259.00. This grant would be for an upgrade to the Electrical System in order to improve the reliability and efficiency of the infrastructure.

COMMITTEES

None

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Park and Recreation

Cook gave report of the meeting. That the Commission has requested that 9 more loads of dirt be bought for the Comets and Lady's field. Stark made a motion to buy the 9 more loads of dirt if funds are available, seconded by Burg. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Planning Commission

Koehn gave report of the meeting. The Coordinator for the Senior Taxi has resigned; we need to put a policy in place for the taxi service. Koehn has looked and cannot find any policy for the taxi that we have. Phillips called for a City Owned Facility Committee meeting before the next council starting at 6:30 pm to discuss the matter further.

Neighborhood Advisory

Burg gave report of the meeting. Discussed current nuisance problems in the city. Arnold Hannah was elected Chair; Carol Henry was elected Vice-Chair during the meeting.

Airport Commission

Vermaas gave report of the meeting. Termites are still a problem at the Airport. The runway beacon is broken again and will need to be repaired. Burns and McDonnell will start the runway drainage project next year. Spencer Aircraft will be leaving the airport on December 31, 2015. The airport will have to explore other possibilities to replace Spencer Aircraft.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

Public Hearing

Mayor Malan opened the public hearing regarding 2015 Property Tax Levy. Being there was no discussion, the public hearing was closed.

**BILLS, ORDINANCES,
RESOLUTIONS, POLICES and
PROCLAMATIONS**

**Bill NO 2015-8 Ordinance NO 1005
1st Reading**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Vermaas for the first reading by title only of
BILL NO. 2015-8 ORDINANCE NO. 1005

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE 2015 TAX LEVY FOR THE CITY OF
BUTLER, MISSOURI**

Motion passed with the following votes:

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| Brad Vermaas-Aye | Craig Irwin-Aye |
| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
| Thom Burg-Aye | Gayle Cook-Aye |
| Gayle Stark-Aye | Carolyn Jett -Aye |

**Bill NO 2015-8 ORD 1005
2nd reading**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Vermaas for the second reading by title only
of **BILL NO. 2015-8 ORDINANCE NO. 1005**

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| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
| Thom Burg-Aye | Gayle Cook-Aye |
| Gayle Stark-Aye | Carolyn Jett -Aye |

Bill NO 2015-8 ORD 1005
Adoption

Motion by Jett, seconded by Cook to adopt
BILL NO. 2015-8 ORDINANCE NO. 1005

Motion passed with the following votes:

| | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| Brad Vermaas-Aye | Craig Irwin-Aye |
| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
| Thom Burg-Aye | Gayle Cook-Aye |
| Gayle Stark-Aye | Carolyn Jett -Aye |

Bill NO 2015-9 ORD 1006
1st reading

Motion by Jett, seconded by Vermaas for the first reading by title only of
BILL NO. 2015-9 ORDINANCE NO. 1006

AN ORDINANCE IMPOSING A CITY SALES TAX FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES IN THE CITY OF BUTLER, MISSOURI, AND PROVIDING FOR A QUESTION FOR APPROVAL OF SUCH SALES TAX TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY.

Motion passed with the following votes:

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| Brad Vermaas-Aye | Craig Irwin-Aye |
| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
| Thom Burg-Aye | Gayle Cook-Aye |
| Gayle Stark-Aye | Carolyn Jett -Aye |

Bill NO 2015-9 ORD 1006
2nd reading

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| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
| Thom Burg-Aye | Gayle Cook-Aye |
| Gayle Stark-Aye | Carolyn Jett -Aye |

Bill NO 2015-10 ORD 1007
1st reading

Motion by Jett, seconded by Cook for the first reading by title only of
BILL NO. 2015-10 ORDINANCE NO. 1007

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY CODE CHAPTER 16. NUISANCES,
ARTICLE II, SECTION 16-32. ABANDONED PROPERTY AND JUNK OF THE CITY
OF BUTLER, MISSOURI**

Motion passed with the following votes:

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| Brad Vermaas-Aye | Craig Irwin-Aye |
| Brian Phillips-Aye | Terry Agnew-Aye |
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Brian Phillips-Aye
Thom Burg-Aye
Gayle Stark-Aye

Craig Irwin-Aye
Terry Agnew-Aye
Gayle Cook-Aye
Carolyn Jett -Aye

Reports

CITY CLERK

The City has two properties up for Tax Sale on August 24, 2015. The Tax Sale starts at 10:00 am at the Courthouse.

Bates County Economic Developer

Ogg has been promoted to the Executive Director position at Kaysinger Basin. She hopes to have new Economic Developer in place for Bates County by October. She will continue to work on projects and support Bates County until a replacement is found.

POLICE CHIEF

Received a \$1000.00 grant for equipment at the police department.

CITY ATTORNEY

Nothing to report.

CITY ADMIN

CDBG

CDBG demolition project. The project has not moved forward since July 20th Dan Kisner will be leasing equipment to finish the project if he cannot have the repair work done to his equipment as needed.

Grant Workshop

Koehn attended a Grant workshop on July 28th with 2 business owners on the Square. *The workshop was partially funded by a grant from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Historic Preservation Office and the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service. It was presented by MO Main Street.* A total of five 60/40 Matching Grants for assistance in establishing a Main Street Organization or Downtown Revitalization Program in their historic commercial district will be given. We received information on how to apply for the grant and what it covers. The Main Street program is a National organization and has been implemented in over 2000 communities across the country. It has been proven to be successful in the revitalization of the downtown districts in many cities. I have included information in the packet regarding the process of becoming a Main Street Community. The letter of intent is due to Main Street by October 1st. Once the letter of intent is received, the City will begin the Application process for the Grant.

Building Collapse

Building Collapse on Butler Square. Discussion needs to begin regarding structural inspections of all of the buildings on the Square. Koehn has contacted Kaysinger Basin regarding a brown field's assessment including a structural inspection of all of the buildings that qualify on the Square. Koehn has included the application form in the

packet. One application will need to be filled out for every property owner on the Square who wishes to have their property assessed.

Hotel Feasibility Study

The Hotel Feasibility Study is progressing. Koehn sent contact information to Corey with Growth Services Group of key individuals in the community who could provide input regarding the need of a new hotel in the area. The company will be making phone calls, so the public needs to be aware of this and know that it is an approved City of Butler study. A press release was sent to the paper informing the public of this.

Code Enforcement

Wheatley gave report on the recent nuisance properties

MAYOR

Nothing to report.

COUNCIL MEMBERS
VERMAAS

Wanted to know if we could open the street up around the collapse building?

PHILLIPS

Nothing to report.

BURG

Nothing to report.

STARK

IRWIN

Nothing to report.

AGNEW

Nothing to report.

Nothing to report.

COOK

Had a complaint that the cemetery was not open at 8:45 am on Saturday. Also had several complaints about the light being left on at the basketball court overnight.

JETT

Nothing to report.

New Business
Membranes

Director of Public Works Trent Diehl made a recommendation to City Council to purchase 21 INGE.dizzer XL Ultra Filtration Modules to replace the 27 Hydro Cap 60 membranes for the price of \$72,697.00. Motion by Stark to purchase the new membrane system for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, seconded by Jett. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion was made by Burg, seconded by Phillips to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

ATTEST

Corey Snead
City Clerk

Mayor Don H. Malan