

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE
CITY OF SHREWSBURY, MISSOURI
DECEMBER 11, 2007**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 7:00 p.m. this 11th day of December, 2007 for the transaction of such business that may come before the meeting.

There were present:

Mayor..... Bert L. Gates
Alderman Elmer Kauffmann
Alderman Ed Purvis
Alderman Jim Feeney
Alderwoman..... Felicity Buckley

Absent:

Alderman..... Mike Travaglini
Alderwoman..... Chris Gorman

constituting the Board of Aldermen.

There were also present:

City Administrator Barry Alexander
City Clerk..... Cody Hawkins
Acting City Attorney Mike Daming

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Alderman Ed Purvis made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of November 13, 2007. Alderwoman Felicity Buckley seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Alderman Jim Feeney made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Public Hearing of the Board of Aldermen November 13, 2007. Alderwoman Felicity Buckley seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Alderman Ed Purvis made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of October 2, 2007. Alderwoman Felicity Buckley seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Alderman Jim Feeney made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of November 6, 2007. Alderman Ed Purvis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

REPORTS AND COMMISSION MINUTES:

None

BILLS:

Alderman Jim Feeney made a motion to approve the bills submitted for payment. Alderman Ed Purvis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

HEAR CITIZENS:

None

PROPOSALS

(Property/Casualty Insurance, Steve Marsh)

Mr. Steve Marsh explained the proposal for the City's buildings which included a 3-4% increase. In addition, the coverage for the Public Safety Building was increased to \$1.9 million. Mr. Marsh explained each coverage and recommended Travelers Insurance at \$94,880.

Administrator Barry Alexander agreed with Mr. Marsh's recommendation.

Alderman Jim Feeney made a motion to accept the proposal from Travelers Insurance for property/casualty insurance for \$94,880. Alderman Ed Purvis seconded the motion. The Board of Aldermen unanimously agreed.

(Audit Bids, Finance Director Kay Wehner)

Finance Director Kay Wehner stated last year was the fifth year with Schowalter & Jabouri and the Board decided to go out to bid this year. Director Wehner sent out six proposals and received two bids (one from Schowalter and one from Hochschild, Bloom). Director Wehner stated each firm is qualified and equal. In addition, both firms are up on GASB.

Director Wehner stated the results of the bids were as follows:

Hochschild, Bloom Company \$15,500 for 2007, \$16,200 for 2008 and \$16,900 for 2009
Schowalter & Jabouri \$16,750 for 2007, \$17,000 for 2008 and \$17,500 for 2009

Director Wehner recommended Hochschild, Bloom Company for a three year contract with one year renewal possible. Director Wehner also noted that the fee listed is the maximum amount that could be charged, so it could be less.

Alderman Ed Purvis made a motion to accept the proposal from Hochschild, Bloom Company in the amount of \$15,500 for 2007, \$16,200 for 2008 and \$16,900 for 2009. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion. The Board of Aldermen unanimously agreed.

ORDINANCE (Lease renewal with Shrewsbury Improvement Corp.); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2518, a proposed Ordinance authorizing the annual renewal of the lease originally dated July 1, 1994, between the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri, Improvement Corporation and the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri, for the tenancy by the City of Shrewsbury Public Safety Building. Upon motion made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Ed Purvis then made a motion that Bill No. 2518 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2516. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2518 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2516.

ORDINANCE (Village of Mackenzie Police Service Contract); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2519, a proposed Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Village of Mackenzie to provide police services to said Village for a term to begin January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008. Upon motion made by Alderman Jim Feeney, Seconded by Alderman Ed Purvis and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Elmer Kauffman, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as

approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Elmer Kauffman then made a motion that Bill No. 2519 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2517. Alderwoman Felicity Buckley seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2519 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2517.

ORDINANCE (CARE computer system); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2520, a proposed Ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with St. Louis County Police Department to utilize the St. Louis County Police Department's computer assisted report entry system. Upon motion made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderwoman Felicity Buckley and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderwoman Felicity Buckley, Seconded by Alderman Ed Purvis, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Ed Purvis then made a motion that Bill No. 2520 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2518. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2520 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2518.

ORDINANCE (Removal and relocation of fire hydrants); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2521, a proposed Ordinance authorizing and ordering the removal of two (2) existing fire hydrants and relocation of one (1) fire hydrant within the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri. Upon motion made by Alderman Elmer Kauffman, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Elmer Kauffman, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Ed Purvis then made a motion that Bill No. 2521 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2519. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2521 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2519.

ORDINANCE (US Cellular settlement & St. Louis County League assignment); not approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2522, a proposed Ordinance approving a settlement agreement with US Cellular relating to unpaid and protested Business License Taxes and approving an assignment of a percentage of the US Cellular settlement to the St. Louis County Municipal League. Upon motion made by Alderman Jim Feeney, Seconded by Alderwoman Felicity Buckley and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Alderwoman Felicity Buckley stated she is not comfortable with the contribution to the Municipal League since the City has such a tight budget. Mayor Bert Gates restated how the League's involvement with the Cellular case resulted in the City not having to pay Attorney fees and the fund would be used in the future to combat such cases. Alderwoman Buckley and Mayor Gates discussed which cities are contributing to the League. Alderman Jim Feeney stated the Board has already discussed this issue and agreed to fund the 5% to the St. Louis County Municipal League. A motion was made by Alderman Jim Feeney, Seconded

by Alderman Ed Purvis, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Jim Feeney then made a motion that Bill No. 2522 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2520. Alderman Ed Purvis seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Nay".

The ordinance did not pass because there is not a majority vote (vote was 3-1).

ORDINANCE (FY 2008 Budget); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2523, a proposed Ordinance approving the 2008 Budget of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri, appropriating from the revenue and reserves of the City funds therefore and providing for adjustments thereof. Upon motion made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Ed Purvis then made a motion that Bill No. 2523 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2520. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2523 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2520.

ORDINANCE (Minimum Salary Range); approved

Mayor Gates introduced Bill No. 2524, a proposed Ordinance adopting minimum salary ranges to be paid to Policemen, Firemen, Administrative and General Employees of Shrewsbury, Missouri, and repealing all Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict with the provision of this Ordinance. Upon motion made by Alderman Ed Purvis, Seconded by Alderman Jim Feeney and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title the first time. Mayor Bert Gates opened the ordinance for discussion. Upon no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Jim Feeney, Seconded by Alderman Ed Purvis, and unanimously passed, and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, the Bill was read by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Ed Purvis then made a motion that Bill No. 2524 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2521. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Purvis "Aye"; Alderman Feeney, "Aye" and Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2524 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2521.

OLD BUSINESS:

Alderwoman Felicity Buckley asked about the status of the Metro Link fence that is to be installed to prevent persons from walking over the train tracks.

Administrator Barry Alexander stated he has tried to contact Metro several times and none of his calls have been returned at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

Alderwoman Felicity Buckley stated a resident asked her to address the Board about a water stop box on her property that can not be located.

Mayor Bert Gates suggested this item would be better handled if brought to the City's Administration Department and does not need to be handled during a Board of Aldermen meeting

REPORTS:

Fire Chief Bill Fox gave an update on the Kenrick fire and the staff of Kenrick is working hard to put things back together. Alderman Ed Purvis stated he has received good comments about the Fire and Police Departments dealing with their response to the fire. Chief Fox stated the Fire Department will be attending some training with Metro this week on safety. Administrator Barry Alexander stated in reference to the Kenrick fire the City Hall may be handling the mail for displaced residents.

Parks Director Marc Bernstein stated the parks brochure has been sent out to residents and residents have priority for camp enrollment. Director Bernstein informed the Board of a needs assessment grant the department is working on through the Municipal Park Grant Commission. Director Bernstein stated the Parks department is working on another grant for recycling bins in the park through the St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste Management District.

Street Superintendent Tony Wagner stated the streets were salted this past weekend due to the snow storm, but the department only used two tons of salt. Superintendent Wagner stated the Tanager sidewalks are completed. Superintendent Wagner stated the new roll-off truck is working well with the leaf disposal process. Superintendent Wagner stated the restrooms in the park have been shut down for the season.

Police Chief Jeff Keller stated the department has increased patrols due to the holiday season. Chief Keller stated the department's new hire has completed the required ten weeks of training and will be on probation for one year while on self patrol. Chief Keller stated the police department had an outside police department perform an evidence room audit last week and everything checked out. Chief Keller stated the officers that attended the CALEA conference gained a lot of knowledge and Shrewsbury was on display as being one of the better examples of how they keep/enter certain records.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Alderman Ed Purvis made a motion to approve an executive session to take place following this regular Board of Aldermen meeting. Such closed meeting with closed vote and closed record is to take place in the Aldermanic Chambers and said meeting, vote and records are closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (3) as it relates to matters of personnel. Alderman Jim Feeney seconded the motion. The Board voted as follows: Alderman Kauffman "Aye", Alderman Purvis "Aye", Alderman Feeney "Aye", Alderwoman Buckley "Aye".

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to consider, Alderman Elmer Kauffman made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Ed Purvis seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cody Hawkins, City Clerk

ATTEST:

Mayor Bert L. Gates