

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
September 26, 2017**

A Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 6:30 p.m. on the 26th day of September, 2017 in the Aldermanic Conference Room of City Hall for the transaction of such business that may come before the Board.

Present:

Mayor Felicity Buckley
Alderman Elmer Kauffmann
Alderman Mike Travaglini
Alderman Rick Steingruby
Alderman Sam Scherer
Alderman Ed Kopff

Absent:

Alderwoman Chris Gorman

Also present:

Director of Administration Jonathan D. Greever
Director of Finance Danielle Oettle
Street Superintendent Tony Wagner
Police Chief Jeff Keller
Fire Chief Chris Amenn
Parks Director Chris Buck
City Attorney Mike Daming

Roll Call

Mayor Buckley opened the meeting and City Clerk Kathy Marlock commenced with the roll call. Alderman Gorman was absent, all other board members were present.

Closed Session

The Mayor acknowledged the need for a Closed Session at the beginning of the meeting. She verified with the public the nature of the Closed Session; the Work Session continued immediately following. Alderman Mike Travaglini made the motion for the Closed Session at the beginning of the meeting. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

The Mayor then introduced the minutes for the 9-12-2017 Regular Session of the Board of Alderman and invited discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Traavaglini made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Property Tax – Public Hearing

The Mayor invited public comment. There being none the public hearing was closed.

Hear Citizens

None

Ordinance**Bill No. 2911****(Bill No. 2911) Annual Property Tax Rate for 2017****First Reading, Second Reading, Consideration for Passage**

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2911, an ordinance regulating the levies and establishing the rate of annual taxes to be collected for the year 2017 by and for the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. City Attorney Daming commenced with the first reading by Title only. Alderman Travaglini made the motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Scherer. City Clerk Kathy Marlock commenced with roll call and the following roll call vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffman, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye".

Mayor Buckley again opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion that Bill No. 2911 be read by Title Only a second time. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion passed in accordance with RSMo 79.130 to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. City Attorney Daming commenced with the second reading by Title only. Alderman Travaglini made a motion to accept, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and City Clerk Kathy Marlock commenced with a roll call vote; the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffman, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; and Alderman Kopff, "Aye."

The Mayor then opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, the Mayor called for a motion for Consideration for Passage. Alderman Travaglini moved that Bill No. 2911 be considered for passage; Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffman, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2911 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2898.

Insurance Renewal Discussion and Vote

The Mayor opened the floor for discussion of Director Oettle's presentation of Health Insurance information for City of Shrewsbury employees. Alderman Travaglini noted that the City would enjoy substantial savings by following line seven of the proposal for Aetna Insurance. The Board discussed the topic and the Mayor confirmed that this was the same information as previously reviewed at an earlier Board session. The Mayor called for a motion. Alderman Travaglini made a motion that the City of Shrewsbury accept the Health Insurance proposal by Aetna that would result in a \$5,000 deductible for individual employees and a \$10,000 deductible for families, with the city continuing to reimburse up to the \$5,000 and \$10,000 deductible levels after individual employees have fulfilled the \$500 deductible and families have fulfilled the \$1,000 deductible. The resulting savings for the City of Shrewsbury by going with this particular Aetna program will be \$134,000 per year. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Fiscal Year 2018 – Citywide budget Workshop

The Mayor opened the floor for the 2018 Citywide Budget discussion. Director Oettle, Finance Department provided an overview of each department's budget as well as the City's overall budget. Presentation binders were presented to each of the Aldermen, Mayor and Director Greever. The budget workshop focused on clarifying the revenues and expenses of each of the departments. Following the discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to accept the 2018 budget as presented, Alderman Scherer seconded the motion. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Board of Adjustment Appointments Update

The Mayor reminded the Board of Aldermen that periodically openings come available on some of the city Boards that serve and support the City of Shrewsbury. The Mayor further noted that two positions had come open for the Board of Adjustment. Director Jonathan Greever indicated that the Board of Aldermen will vote, in the October Regular Session, on the two candidates. One candidate, recommended by Alderman Travaglini is Mike Schmelze, a pilot, and longtime resident in the community. In addition, the Mayor nominated Mark Riti who had a long career with Laclede Gas (now Spire). The narratives describing the current lifestyle and career histories of both gentlemen were reviewed by the Board of Aldermen.

Discussions

The Mayor introduced two discussions on the topics of AirBnB as well as the City Comprehensive Plan.

Air BnB

The Mayor reminded the Board that the Air BnB conversation was addressed in the recently held ward meetings. She also commented that the ward meeting attendance was not even in all three wards, therefore, the opinion and representation of the community was not equally representative. The Mayor indicated that the staff would do more research on existing policies in other municipalities to assist the board in considering some regulation of Air BnB's in the Shrewsbury community.

City Comprehensive Plan

The Mayor noted that the Plan Commission reviewed the City Comprehensive Plan for Land Use Element One. She praised Jonathan Greever for his extensive work on that plan and said that while there are many municipal comprehensive city plans on the internet, the plan that Jonathan and the Mayor created is original and specific to the City of Shrewsbury. The Plan Commission shared positive feedback about the City Comprehensive Plan. Future elements of said plan will continue to be developed and presented to the Board. Questions about this process of development may be directed to Mayor Buckley or Director Greever.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Adjournment

Alderman Travaglini made a motion to adjourn the Work Session. Alderman Kauffmann seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kathryn Marlock
City Clerk

ATTEST:

Felicity Buckley,
Mayor