

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY  
REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

October 15, 2019

A Regular Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 6:00 p.m. on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019, in the Aldermanic Chambers of City Hall for the transaction of such business that came before the Board.

Present:

Mayor	Sam Scherer
Alderman	Mike Travaglini
Alderman	Greg Lauter
Alderman	Chris Gorman
Alderman	Elisa Reeves
Alderman	John Odenwald
Alderman	Keith Peters

Also Present:

Director of Administration	Jonathan Greever
Director of Public Works	Tony Wagner
Director of Finance	Danielle Oettle
Director of Parks and Recreation	Chris Buck
Fire Chief	Chris Amenn
Chief of Police	Lisa Vargas
City Attorney	Mike Daming
City Clerk	Justin Klocke

**Roll Call**

Mayor Scherer opened the meeting and City Clerk Klocke commenced with the roll call. A quorum was present for the transaction of city business.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Scherer introduced the minutes from the September 2019 Work Session and opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the minutes; Alderman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Approval of Bills**

Mayor Scherer reviewed the bills submitted for payment which totaled \$163,251.54. The Mayor called for a motion to approve the bills for payment. Alderman Gorman made the motion; Alderman Lauter seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

**Hear Citizens**

No residents addressed the Board.

**City of Shrewsbury 457 Plan Amendments**

Director Oettle provided an overview and history of the 457 Plan. Director Oettle explained that the 457 plan is a type of non-qualified, tax advantaged deferred-compensation retirement plan that

is available for governmental and certain non-governmental employers in the United States. The employer provides the plan and the employee defers compensation into it. Director Oettle said the Board would consider two amendments. The first amendment would allow retired public safety officers to exclude income distribution from the 457 that are used to pay the premiums for accident, health, or long-term care insurance. The distribution to pay for the insurance premiums must be made directly to the insurance provider from the plan. The second amendment would allow for in-service loans from a participants 457 investments per IRS regulations. There being no further discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the amendments; Alderman Peters seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Department Head Reports**

The Directors of each of the departments present reported on matters of significance in their respective areas.

Director Oettle reported that the City's property tax levies were filed and certified with the County before the October 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Director Oettle said the Department was working on the development of the budget. Director Oettle would send September financials later in the week.

Director Wagner reported that trimming and grass cutting had slowed some. Director Wagner said his crews fixed a major water leak in Field 3 of Wehner Park, and he explained he was concerned about a similar leak in Field 1. Director Wagner said the Department completed asphalt repairs near the salt bin to prepare for the upcoming winter weather.

Chief Amenn reported on the continued hiring process for a fireman and executive assistant. Chief Amenn thanked Ms. Martha Heckenberg for 20 years of service to the City and wished her well in retirement. Chief Amenn reported on the installation and progress of the new fire apparatus. Chief Amenn thanked the community for the turnout at the Hole in One event at the annual Shrewsbury Fall Festival.

Chief Vargas reported on the continued hiring process for two police officers. Chief Vargas said she received notification that the two Ford Explorers would not be available to the City until after the new year. Chief Vargas said the department is evaluating its options for the vehicles and will update the Board in the coming weeks.

Director Buck thanked those who participated and assisted during the Fall Festival. Director Buck updated the Board on Make a Difference Day on October 26<sup>th</sup>. Director Buck said the department started a new Lending Library program in the Lobby of the City Center, and he urged the Board to spread awareness of the program.

Director Greever updated the Board on the property located at 7738 Kenridge. Director Greever said the former owner of 7738 Kenridge sold the property, and the new ownership group, which develops houses, had taken significant steps to begin the renovation of the lot. Director Greever said City staff were working on the removal of illegally dumped items behind the Rothmans facility. Director Greever said the Department had not received any petitions for rezoning at the Rothmans facility, but will update the Board in coming weeks if any petition is received. Director Greever reported on the permit applications for storage facilities at the strip mall across from Kenrick Plaza. Director Greever explained that a storage facility is not a permitted use in the zone the strip mall is located in; therefore, conversations with the developer will be necessary. Director Greever said that City staff were reviewing the bio plasma facility building and plumbing permits for the former Here

Today location. Director Greever said the hiring process for a Building Commissioner was ongoing. Director Greever reported on the meeting with members of several homeowner associations to discuss street taking, flood plains, and requests for snow removal. Director Greever said the Center at Kenrick Community Improvement District Board of Directors held a meeting at the end of September to review and approve the issuance documentation of the CID notes that were issued in association with the redevelopment of the site which houses Aldi. Director Greever reminded the Board of upcoming meetings and events. Alderman Travaglini asked why some members of the homeowner associations opposed the City's acquisition of private streets. Director Greever said some members of the associations opposed the HoA trustees request for street taking and requested to be included in further discussion regarding the proposal. Alderman Reeves asked if the plasma center proposals would come before the Board for review. Director Greever said the proposals would not come before the Board due to legal implications barring the Board from input. Alderman Travaglini asked Director Greever to explain what the function and use of the plasma center would be. Director Greever explained that plasma would be collected from patients and sent to another facility for sale. Alderman Odenwald asked for further explanation on why the Board does not have the ability to review the project. Director Greever explained that the proposal is legally considered a medical clinic, and medical clinics are a preapproved use in the commercial district. Alderman Gorman asked if City staff could learn how long the lease would be for the plasma center. Director Greever said staff would find out.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Scherer thanked those who participated and assisted during the Fall Festival. Mayor Scherer said he received many compliments from residents on the walking path lights in Wehner Park. Alderman Travaglini asked if the lights on the walking path turn on at the same time. Director Wagner said they are dusk to dawn lights and will turn on only when it is dark enough, so some lights may come on at various times.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

None

**Hear Citizens**

No residents addressed the Board.

**Adjournment**

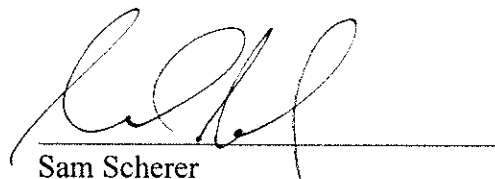
There being no further business, Mayor Scherer invited a motion to adjourn. Alderman Travaglini made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Alderman Gorman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Justin Klocke  
City Clerk

ATTEST:



Sam Scherer  
Mayor