

CITY OF MINER
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MONTHLY MEETING
MINER COURT ROOM
November 20, 2012
5:30 P.M.

The Miner Board of Alderman met for their monthly council meeting on November 20, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. in the Miner Court Room. The meeting was posted in the foyer of the Miner City Hall and sent to the Standard Democrat newspaper.

Mayor Frank Tatum called the meeting to order roll call: Terry Cole – present, Chris McMackin – present, Deloris Smith – present, and Peggy Holman – present. Those also present were Lester Powell, Donna Sevic, Roger Moore, Chris Smith, Chris Beavers, Mark Baker, Donnie Anglin, Norman Lambert, Marvin Hatton, Darrin Skinner, Chief of Police Chris Griggs as well as Scott Welton with the Standard-Democrat. Joseph Fuchs was in his capacity as city attorney and City Clerk Danielle Patrick, was there to record the minutes.

Mayor Tatum asked if anyone had any issues with the minutes from August 21, 2012 and October 16, 2012, bills and reports. Alderman Terry Cole asked if the issue with the August 21, 2012 minutes had been resolved yet and Alderwoman Peggy Holman stated she still had an issue with them. A motion was made by Deloris Smith to approve all minutes and bill excluding the August 21, 2012 minutes. The motion was seconded by Chris McMackin and a roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. MATTHEW LANE- CEMETARY RETAINING WALL – MARVIN HATTON
Marvin Hatton approached the Mayor and the Board explaining to them how the retaining wall was going to cost more than he anticipated. Hatton stated that the blocks were going to cost around \$7000. Mayor Tatum suggested seeing what can be done by putting down something to protect the dirt from sliding off then planting Bermuda grass. After much discussion on different options a motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to table the issue. A roll call vote followed with all ayes and the issue was tabled.
- B. HARRISON STREET STORM DRAIN LIFT STATION REPAIRS – MARVIN HATTON
Marvin Hatton approached the Mayor and the Board with an update on the storm drain lift station repairs on Harrison Street. Hatton explained to everyone that he feels confident that the public works department can repair these instead of having to contract the work done. The board came to a mutual decision for Hatton to pull one of the check valves to see what is bad and how much it will cost to repair it and report back to the board.

Alderman Terry Cole inquired about the drainage issue in front of Causey's Lawn Care. Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering stated that it is going to require the city to

put in storm drains. Lambert explained that he will have to have permission in order to take the drains down private property. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Terry Cole to have Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering to develop a plan and get pricing information to fix the water issue at Causey's. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. LAGOON- NORMAN LAMBERT – LAMBERT ENGINEERING

Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering approached the Mayor and the Board asking for a change order to be completed on current contract with G & C Contracting on the lagoon construction. Lambert explained that this change order would give G & C Contracting the job of demolishing the old lagoon. "There is currently \$200,000 budgeted for the project and G & C Contracting has estimated that they can do the job for \$116,000", Norman Lambert informed the board. Mayor Tatum asked City Attorney Joseph Fuchs if this was legal and Fuchs stated that it is perfectly legal. A motion was then made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to allow for a change order with the current contract with G & C Contracting and allow them to demolish the old lagoon. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

B. CALLING FOR APRIL 2013 ELECTION (BILL _____/ORD _____)

Mayor Tatum presented Bill 1046 Calling for April 2013 election to the board for its first, second and third reading. A motion was made by Peggy Holman to place the bill on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith – yes, Peggy Holman – yes, Terry Cole – yes and Chris McMackin –yes. Mayor Tatum then declared that Bill 1046 had become Ordinance 1034.

C. SETTING SALARY AND GUIDELINES FOR CHIEF OF POLICE

(BILL _____/ORD _____)

Mayor Tatum presented Bill 1047 to the board for its first, second and third readings. Alderman Terry Cole stated that he felt that the section four mandating that the chief of police work Monday thru Friday from 8 to 5 should be removed, since in another section it states that the Marshall shall work a minimum of 40 hours per week. Alderwoman Deloris Smith suggested changing the vacation from one week to two weeks and Alderman Terry Cole stated that since the clerk had three weeks he felt it was only right for the Chief of Police to have three weeks as well. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Chris McMackin for the clerk to read the bill and implement the changes, the clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote. Deloris Smith –yes, Terry Cole- yes, Peggy Holman –yes and Chris McMackin – yes. Mayor Tatum declared that Bill 1047 had become Ordinance 1035.

D. AN ORDINANCE TO PLACE A ONE-FOURTH (1/4) OR ONE PERCENT SALES TAX ON ALL RETAIL SALES FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MUNICIPAL FIRE DEPARTMENT (BILL _____/ORD _____)

Mayor Tatum presented Bill 1048 to the board for its first, second and third reading. Alderwoman Deloris Smith made a motion to read the bill. The motion died due to lack of a second.

E. DONNA SEVIC – DOG ISSUE

Donna Sevic approached the Mayor and the board with an issue regarding a stray dog. Sevic stated that it is a large brown and black dog and she has contacted the police department several times and has not gotten anything done. Sevic went on to say that the dog does not have any tags or collar and it has been around for six or seven months. Chief of Police Chris Griggs stated that he has been working with Trace with the Humane Society to get a trap in order to catch the dog and has not had any luck getting Trace or any of his staff members to come out here as of now. Chief Griggs stated currently his staff has nothing to catch the dogs with or transport them. Alderwoman Peggy Holman stated that she feels that all loose dogs should be picked up and the owners of the dogs should be fined, because if an owner cares for his or her dog they will pick it up. After much discussion everyone agreed that the Public Works Department and the Police Department will work together to get the dogs picked up.

F. SPEED BUMPS – Mayor Tatum

Mayor Tatum stated at this time the issue of speed bumps is still being researched due to kids playing in the streets. Chief of Police Chris Griggs stated that solar panels on stop signs could be implemented but it is costly, but in turn we could qualify for it due to the safe schools act. Mayor Tatum mentioned installing a sign with a caution light to be on at certain times of the day. Lester Powell stated that he did not want to see speed bumps installed because he has a bad back and it would cause him a lot of issues with his back. After much discussion a motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Chris McMackin to table the issue until further research. A roll call vote followed motion tabled.

G. FIRE TRUCK REPAIRS- CHRIS SMITH

Mayor Tatum skipped item during the meeting. No action taken or discussed.

H. TRANSFER OF \$5000 FROM GENERAL FUND TO STREET FUND

Mayor Tatum stated that it looks like funds need to be transferred. The Clerk explained that it is now time for the once a year transfer of \$5000 from the General to the Street Fund. A motion to transfer \$5000 from General to Street was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Peggy Holman. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

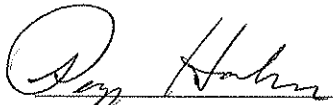
Other Business

Alderman Terry Cole stated that he would like to see what it costs and what it takes to get the liquid salt sprayer up and going. Public Works Supervisor Marvin Hatton stated that the reason why cinders are being used is because the city gets them at no cost. Alderman Terry Cole said he would have the guy who helped setup the sprayer before contact Marvin to see what can be done.

Alderman Terry Cole asked for an ordinance to be written up to so that the board members can add items to the agenda without the mayor being able to remove them. Mayor Tatum stated that they were trying to take away his power as a mayor. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to have the Clerk draft an ordinance that will prohibit the mayor from removing items from the agenda. A roll call vote followed with Peggy Holman – yes, Deloris Smith – no, Terry Cole- yes, and Chris McMackin –yes. Motion passed.

Cole also stated that he did not know why city hall was closed at lunch. Clerk Patrick stated that they started because people were not getting their lunch hours. A motion was made by Terry Cole for the Clerk to draft an ordinance opening city hall from the hours of 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. for the lunch hour. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

With all business concluded a motion was made by Peggy Holman and seconded by Chris McMackin to adjourn to executive as per RSMo. 610.021.3 Personnel. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.



Mayor



Clerk