

CITY OF MINER
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MONTHLY MEETING
MINER COURT ROOM
September 18, 2012
5:30 P.M.

The Miner Board of Alderman met for its regularly scheduled on September 18, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was posted in the foyer of the city hall and sent to the Standard-Democrat newspaper.

Mayor Tatum called the meeting to order. Roll call: Terry Cole- present, Peggy Holman – present, Deloris Smith- present. Those present were Bob Simpson, Glenda Wilson, John Testa, Mr. Newton, Norman Lambert, Gary Smith, Don Holman, Chris Beavers, Blaine Johnson, Chris McMackin, Stephanie Turner, Tod Ledbetter, Chris Smith, Chad Melton, Chief of Police Chris Griggs, Marvin Hatton, Sherry Riley, Sonny Riley, Donnie Anglin, Kyle Rodgers, Chris Stewart, Mark Baker with IBEW Local 702, Mark Williams, John Roberts, and Jay Kruger 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 questions on the minutes from August 21, 2012. Alderman Peggy Holman stated that she would like to have the portion of the minutes removed where it was discussing the Mayor Pro-Tem issue because it was not on the agenda. Mayor Tatum stated he did not think the item needed to be removed because the police department repeater was not on the agenda as well and the purchase of a new one was approved. Without a motion or a second the minutes to this meeting were not approved.

Mayor Tatum then asked if anyone had any issues with the reports: Fire, Police, Treasurer, Collector, Code Officer, Building Inspector, EMA Director or Clerk with no questions a motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith to approve the reports for August 2012. A roll call vote followed Terry Cole- yes, Peggy Holman – yes, and Deloris Smith – yes. Motion passed. Mayor Tatum asked if anyone had any questions with the bills for the month of August. With no questions on the bills for August a motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Terry Cole to approve the bills for the month of August 2012. A roll call vote followed with the following results: Terry Cole –yes, Peggy Holman – yes, and Deloris Smith – yes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. APPOINTING ALDERPERSON WARD II (Bill _____/Ord. _____)

Mayor Tatum stated that he had three individuals contact city hall in regards to the open board members seat in Ward II. Mayor Tatum stated that Chris McMackin, Tod Ginther and Chad Melton all approached him in that order for the open position. Mayor Tatum stated that he would like to appoint Mr. Chris McMackin to the board since he was the first one who contacted city hall. A motion was made by Deloris Smith to appoint Chris McMackin for the open position in Ward II. The motion died due to lack of a second. After much more discussion a motion was made by Deloris Smith to appoint Tod Ginther to the position and again the motion died due to lack of a second.

B. ACCEPTING BIDS ON THE CITY'S COMMERICAL GENERAL LIABILITY, EMPLOYEE'S BENEFITS LIABILITY, LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S LIABILITY, PUBLIC OFFICIAL'S LIABILITY, EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES LIABILITY, COMMERICAL PROPERTY PACKAGE AND EMPLOYEE CRIME COVERAGE

Mayor Tatum stated that he does not know much about insurance and he found the two bids confusing for him. Mayor Tatum stated that he felt that Alderman Cole should abstain from voting since he is in the insurance business. Alderman Cole stated that there is no reason to abstain because his company did not bid the insurance and he does not have anything financially to gain from it. Mayor Tatum suggested that Newton Insurance and Self Insurance come before the board in order to see if they both can give the members of the board a better understanding of the insurance. Mr. Newton with Newton Insurance said the

board needed to make a decision since his bid was so much lower and it was to bid specifications. Alderwoman Deloris Smith stated that she had some questions about the underground pipes and the foundation coverage because she did not see dollar amounts for those in Newton's quote. A motion was made by Terry Cole for the City to accept Newton Insurance for the city's insurance and with no agent of record change the motion was seconded by Peggy Holman. A roll call vote followed with the following results: Terry Cole – yes, Peggy Holman – yes and Deloris Smith – no. Motion did not pass. Alderman Cole asked what needed to be done for Alderwoman Smith to understand the insurance and she asked if she could meet with Newton Insurance on Wednesday, September 19, in order to go over the insurance. John Testa with Newton Insurance did not have any issues with that. A special meeting was set for Monday, September 24, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. to settle the insurance issue.

C. AMENDING ORDINANCE 643 SETTING PAYMENT AND PENALTY REQUIREMENTS OF COLLECTION OF TOURISM/MOTEL/BD TAXES IN THE CITY OF MINER (Bill _____/Ord _____)

Mayor Tatum presented Bill 1041 an ordinance amending ordinance 643 sections three and four setting payment and penalty requirements for collection of tourism/motel bed taxes in the City of Miner. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to place the bill on its first, second and third readings. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote with the following results: Terry Cole – yes, Peggy Holman – yes, and Deloris Smith – yes. Mayor Tatum announced that Bill 1041 had become Ordinance 1029.

D. AMENDING ORDINANCE 828 LEYING A LICENSE FEE FOR OCCUPATIONAL AND MERCHANTS LICENSES IN THE CITY OF MINER. (Bill _____/Ord _____)

Mayor Tatum presented Bill 1042 an ordinance amending ordinance 828 adding a penalty and deadline section for occupational and merchants licenses in the City of Miner. A motion was made by Deloris Smith to place Bill 1042 on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote: Peggy Holman- yes, Terry Cole – yes and Deloris Smith – yes. Mayor Tatum announced that Bill 1042 had become Ordinance 1030.

E. MARK BAKER – IBEW LOCAL 702

Mark Baker with IBEW Local 702 came before the Mayor and Board of Alderman regarding the Union Contract. Mr. Baker stated that he wanted to thank everyone for their service and for doing a great one at that and the employees fear for their job security. Mr. Baker stated that Alderwoman Holman was present for 90% of the negotiations and multiple drafts have been submitted and changed to the board's approval over the past three years. Mayor Tatum stated that he takes the position of the employees; Mr. Baker stated that he does have the majority of the employees. Mark Baker with IBEW Local 702 asked the Mayor for a vote to accept the contracts with the city employees and the police officers of the City of Miner. Alderwoman Deloris Smith made the motion to accept the agreements with IBEW Local 702 for the city employees and the police officers. The motion died to lack of a second. After more discussion another motion was made by Deloris Smith to accept the IBEW Local 702's contract and Terry Cole seconded the motion. Deloris Smith – yes, Peggy Holman – no and Terry Cole – yes. Issue did not pass.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. APPROVING THE BIDS FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering stated that the City has received two bids on the advertised repairs for the fire department. The first bid was from G & C Contracting in the amount of \$35,900 and the second bid was from Stockade Building in the amount of \$34,900. Mr. Lambert stated that it was his recommendation to award the contract to Stockade Building since there was only \$1000 difference between the two. Mayor Tatum stated that he personally did not know if he wants to award the contract or not, because he feels that it is just throwing good money after bad, since the fire tax was not passed. Mayor Tatum went on to say that he has thought about contacting Scott County Rural and the City of Sikeston to see about merging. Fire Chief Chris Smith stated that if the fire department is disbanded it is going to cause the ISO's to go up in return causing individual home owners coverage to go up. After much discussion a motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to accept the bid from Stockade Building in the amount \$34,900. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

B. POWDER COATING PLUS – DAVID LACY OWNER – SEWER SYSTEM

David Lacy with Powder Coating Plus approached the mayor and the board regarding placing a lift station by his business and then turning it over to the city for city sewer. Public Works Supervisor Marvin Hatton informed everyone that this would be the same as Worthington AG. Alderman Cole asked what would be going into the system and Mr. Lacy told him it would be just mild detergent. Alderman Cole asked if they would be drawing samples and Hatton stated that they could, Alderman Cole went on to say that it was his understanding that they are supposed to be pulling samples for Worthington as well. Hatton informed everyone that the public works department would make sure that samples are being pulled from Worthington as well pull them from Powder Coating if approved. Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering stated that the city needs to obtain DNR approval. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith to allow Mr. David Lacy with Powder Coating Plus to install the lift station and hook into the city sewer as long as there aren't any issues with DNR. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

C. MATTHEW LANE- CEMETARY RETAINING WALL – MARVIN HATTON

Public Works Supervisor Marvin Hatton stated that he thinks the city needs to look into putting a retainer wall on Matthews Lane by the cemetery. Hatton stressed that something needs to be done to keep the dirt from washing out anymore. After much discussion a Mr. Hatton was informed to get some prices and come back to the board with what he finds out.

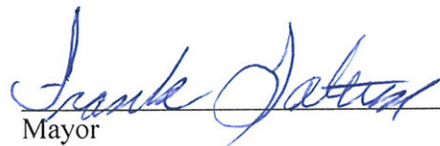
D. ADVERTISING FOR WATER TOWER INSPECTIONS – MARVIN HATTON

Public Works Supervisor Marvin Hatton stated both water towers need to be inspected. Hatton stated that they have to be done every five years and the last time they were done was in 2007. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Peggy Holman to place the water towers out for bid. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

E. ACCEPTING RESIGNATION OF CAPTAIN CHRIS STEWART

Mayor Tatum stated that Captain Chris Stewart has turned in his resignation effective October 2, 2012. Mayor Tatum asked for a motion to accept the resignation of Stewart. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to accept the resignation of Captain Chris Stewart. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

With all business concluded a motion to adjourn was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Meeting adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk