

CITY OF MINER  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
MINER COURT ROOM

August 19, 2013

5:30 P.M.

The Miner Board of Alderman met on August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013, for their regularly scheduled monthly council meeting 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 Tatum called the meeting to order: Roll call Terry Cole-present, Deloris Smith – present, Peggy Holman – present and Nipul Patel – absent. Those present in attendance were Fire Chief Chris Smith, Bob Simpson, Blaine Johnson, Brian Self, Steve Goehl, Tom Brock, Chris McMackin, Chief of Police Chris Griggs, and 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 regarding the minutes from July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013, reports for the month of July, as well as the bills for the month of July. With no questions a motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call was taken with all ayes, Nipul Patel - absent. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCES 571 & 750 PROVIDING A LICENSE FOR ALL DOGS AND CATS WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF MINER,  
(BILL \_\_\_\_\_/ORD \_\_\_\_\_)

Mayor Tatum presented bill 1072 an ordinance amending ordinances 571 & 750 providing a license for all dogs and cats within the city limits of Miner for its first, second and third readings. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman for the Clerk to read the bill. The Clerk read bill 1072 and followed with a roll call vote with the following results Terry Cole – yes, Deloris Smith – yes, Peggy Holman – yes and Nipul Patel – absent. Mayor Tatum announced that bill 1072 had become Ordinance 1059.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. TAX LEVY (BILL \_\_\_\_\_/ORD \_\_\_\_\_)

Mayor Tatum stated that he felt that the tax needed to stay the same for the tax year 2013 and that being \$.3000 valuation for each 100 value of personal and real estate property. With no oppositions Mayor Tatum presented bill

1072 for its first, second and third reading, a motion was made by Deloris Smith and Peggy Holman to place bill 1072 on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill 1072 and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith- yes, Peggy Holman –yes, Terry Cole – yes, and Nipul Patel – absent. Mayor Tatum announced that bill 1072 had become ordinance 1060.

#### B. HEALTH INSURANCE

Brian Self with Self Insurance presented quotes for 2013 to 2014 health, dental and vision insurance. Mr. Self stated the City's renewal premium on its Anthem health insurance is 12.9% with around 2% of that being built in taxes from Health Care Reform. Mr. Self stated that the group is in compliance with Health Care Reform and the City does not need to take action on anything at this point. Brian informed the mayor and the board that Anthem is allowing some policies to have an early renewal of December 1<sup>st</sup> in order to keep from being hit with extra taxes and fees due to Health Care Reform. Brian Self stated that the dental, vision, and short-term disability took a slight increase in renewal. Alderman Terry Cole stated that he would like to see the City save money and raise deductibles to \$3000 for employees. Mark Baker with IBEW Local 702 stated that he encouraged the mayor and the board to keep the insurance like it is since it is the Union agreement that was ratified in July 2013. Alderman Terry Cole stated he asked Mr. Baker if the rates were too high if the Union would work with the City if the rates were too high. Baker stated a meeting would have to be held in order to try to reach an agreement. After much discussion a motion was made by Deloris Smith to keep all insurances as is until December 2013 and the motion was seconded by Terry Cole. A roll call vote followed with all ayes, Nipul Patel – absent.

#### C. STEVE GOEHL – D.A. DAVISON

Steve Goehl with D.A. Davidson presented the mayor and the board with a proposal for refinancing the 2005 bond issue and issuing the \$250,000 for the current water project. Mr. Goehl stated that the City has three options that they can take advantage of with the first one being refinance the current 2005 Series issue in order to save a net present value of 6.44%. Mr. Goehl informed the mayor and the board if they were to refinance the 2005 issue the city will save a total of \$103,000 total cash flow. The second option would be going ahead and issuing the \$250,000 that is projected to be needed for the upcoming water project. Mr. Goehl stated by doing this the council would be locking in the interest rate, but if the job bid out more than what was issued it would be harder to option the extra money unless the City had the cash to fund the remaining amount. The option for the City would be look at refinancing the current 2005 series now and fund the new money now as well. The good thing with combining both of the issues would be that the City would only have one trustee fee to pay. Mr. Goehl informed everyone that the current refunding rate as of the 15<sup>th</sup> of August was 2.35% and on the new money would be 1.5%. After much discussion a motion was made by Terry Cole to table the issue until the water project bids are awarded and the

motion was seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote followed with the following results Terry Cole- yes, Deloris Smith – yes, Peggy Holman – yes and Nipul Patel – absent.

**D. PLACING PATROL CAR OUT FOR BID**

Chief of Police Chris Griggs approached the Mayor and the Board with several different options for patrol cars. Chief Griggs stated that there had been research done on new cars and used highway patrol cars. With the new cars the City can lease the cars on a 3, 4, or 5 year lease, but by going with a 3 year lease the interest rate is a little higher than the 4 or 5 year. The City can also purchase Crown Victoria's from the Missouri Highway Patrol for around \$15,000 each. After much discussion a motion was made by Deloris Smith to purchase two highway patrol cars. Alderman Terry Cole stated that he would like to table the issue until the cost of the water lines come in. Alderwoman Deloris Smith rescinded her motion to purchase the cars. A motion was made by Terry Cole to remove bidding out new patrol cars from the agenda and the motion was seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

Chief Griggs did let the council know that an issue with car 5 that was just repaired was reported, but he could not see a change in the shifting when he drove it. Griggs stated that he would drive the car back to Leopold on Tuesday to have it checked back out.

**E. REPLACING TWO BODY ARMOUR VEST – CHIEF GRIGGS**

Chief Chris Griggs approached the Mayor and the Board regarding purchasing two new body armour vests for two police officers that the vests are out of the five year range. Chief Griggs stated that these vests have gone up and they are now \$569.00 per vest. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to purchase two body armour vests. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

**F. WASHING MACHINE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS**

Fire Chief Chris Smith approached the Mayor and the Board asking permission to purchase High Efficiency Washing machine to wash the fire gear. Chief Smith stated that the department worked the rodeo again this year and made a little over \$2000 and he would like to apply some of those funds to purchase the washing machine. The machine is \$1350 from Lowes. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Peggy Holman to purchase the washing machine from Lowes. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

**G. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 979 COURT COSTS AND FINES TO INCLUDE THE \$3.00 SURCHARGE AS PER RSMo 57.955 FOR SHERIFF'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

A motion was made by Peggy Holman to remove this item from the agenda until more research can be done and at the advice of the City Attorney Joseph Fuchs and the motion was seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

H. AMENDING BUDGET FOR 9-1-2012 THRU 8-31-2013  
(BILL \_\_\_\_\_/ORD \_\_\_\_\_)

Mayor Tatum presented bill 1073 amending the budget for 9-1-2012 thru 8-31-2013. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith to place the bill on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Terry Cole- yes, Deloris Smith- yes, Peggy Holman – yes, and Nipul Patel – absent. Mayor Tatum announced that bill 1073 had become ordinance 1061.

I. ADOPTING BUDGET FOR 9-1-2013 THRU 8-31-2014  
(BILL \_\_\_\_\_/ORD \_\_\_\_\_)

Mayor Tatum presented bill 1074 adopting the budget for 9-1-2013 thru 8-31-2014. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith to place the bill on its first, second and third reading. The Clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Terry Cole- yes, Deloris Smith- yes, Peggy Holman – yes, and Nipul Patel – absent. Mayor Tatum announced that bill 1073 had become ordinance 1062.

J. PLACE LIABILITY INSURANCE OUT FOR BID

Mayor Tatum informed everyone that it is that time of the year that the liability insurance is placed out for bid. Alderman Terry Cole asked when the insurance would be up and the City Clerk informed everyone that October 2<sup>nd</sup> is the renewal date. A motion was made by Alderman Terry Cole to place the liability insurance out for bid and Deloris Smith seconded the motion. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

K. STREET REPAIRS

Mayor Tatum stated that the City has an estimate from Causey Companies for repairing Woods Lane – East with a complete overlay of 2” asphalt for a total cost of \$34900. Christopher McMackin stated that the reason for the Woods Lane problems is that they were hauling dirt for a new storage shed on David Lane and the trucks were using Woods Lane instead. Causey Company also submitted a bid to patch David Lane, Matthews Lane, Woods Lane-East, Dewitt Road and Karen Street (dip) for a total cost of \$6900. A motion was made by Deloris Smith to have the patch work done on the streets for \$6900 and the motion was seconded by Terry Cole. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes. Motion passed.

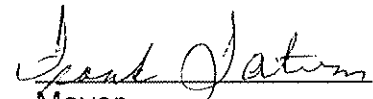
L. POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME CLOCK

Mayor Tatum asked for a motion and a second to remove this item from the agenda. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to remove the item from the agenda. A roll call was taken with all yes.

M. TOM BROCK

Tom Brock approached the Mayor and the Board stating that he spoke to the Municipal League regarding his issue and they told him that he needed to handle it in executive session for personnel.

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

  
Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Clerk