

CITY OF MINER
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
MINER COURT ROOM
October 21, 2013
5:30 P.M.

The Miner Board of Alderman met on October 21, 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 – present. Those present in attendance were Chief of Police Chris Griggs, Captain Darrin Skinner, Donnie Anglin, Cindy Cole, Norman Lambert, Dan Rigazio, Michael Glaus, Tracy Glaus, Mike Yaworski, Marvin Hatton, Chris Smith, Randail Briggs, 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 September 16th and September 23rd, reports for the month of September, as well as the bills for the month of September. Alderwoman Holman had one comment to make regarding the reports, she stated that she would like to commend whoever took charge to do the work of the code enforcer, it looks like progress is being made. With no questions a motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Terry Cole to accept the bills, minutes and reports for the month of September. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. NORMAN LAMBERT – WATER VALVE OLD WATER TOWER

Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering approached the Mayor and the Board about the water tower located on the Jerry James property that is currently offline. Lambert stated that he has plans for a new altitude valve because he knows that it needs to be replaced, but the tank also needs to be inspected. Mr. Lambert stated that the last time the tank was inspected was in 2005 and it had several bad places on it then. Alderwoman Deloris Smith asked if we need this tower and Mr. Lambert informed her that you can have too much water in the air and there are issues with the water tower behind the police department. Norman Lambert with Lambert Engineering asked for permission to place the altitude valve and the water tower inspection out for bid for the water tower that is offline. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Nipul Patel to place the matter out for bid. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

B. CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

Mayor Tatum stated that we have received some applications, but they have not had time to run them through the proper channels. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to remove the code enforcer from the agenda to see how Harold Tarrant's is progressing and to continue doing things like they are currently being done. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

C. MOVING DISPATCH

Mayor Tatum asked Captain Skinner to come before the board and explain the bids that were received. Captain Skinner stated that two bids were initially received and they were revised because some of the work was done within the department which made the bids cheaper. The first bid for moving the existing dispatch MULES computer and Door Lock computer from the existing location to the new location, setup functioning dispatch telephone system in the new dispatch area, setup functioning dispatch telephone system in the new dispatch area, move the printer/fax into common area and make sure all computers are functioning and are able to print

was from Hi-Tech in the amount of \$900 and the second bid was from ESI in the amount of \$825. The cost of moving the radios to the new location was \$500 from Battles Communications and \$975 from G & D Communication. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to accept ESI and Battles Communication with a total of \$1400 to move the radios and the computers into the new dispatch area. A roll call vote followed with the following results: Terry Cole- yes, Peggy Holman – yes , Deloris Smith- yes, and Nipul Patel – yes. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. AWARDING SANITATION BIDS

Mayor Tatum stated that the city had received two bids on the sanitation services. The first bid was from Sonny's Solid Waste in the amount of:

January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014 - \$18.50 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 - \$18.50 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 - \$18.50 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

With the same prices for senior citizens and an extra \$5.00 per extra cart, closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. They were also providing for one two yard container for the Miner Police Department and the City Hall at no cost to the City of Miner and quarterly curbside cleanups.

The second bid was from Republic Services (Allied Waste) in the amount of:

January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014 - \$14.50 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 - \$14.94 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 - \$15.39 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

Senior Rate

January 1, 2014 – December 31, 2014 - \$13.50 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2015 – December 31, 2015 - \$13.91 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

January 1, 2016 – December 31, 2016 - \$14.33 per month per household for twice per week pickup with a 95 gallon cart

A second cart will be provided at one-half the cost of the first cart, unlimited service at no charge at 2610 E. Malone Ave (6 yd) and 103 State Highway H (4 yd), and 4- 30 yd. containers each year for Spring and Fall cleanups, and closed on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, July 4th, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to accept the bid from Sonny's Solid Waste since it is a local company. A roll call vote followed with the following results Terry Cole- Yes, Peggy Holman – yes, Nipul Patel – no , Deloris Smith – no, Mayor Tatum casted the tie breaking vote with a no vote. Alderman Cole stated that he did not understand why others did not to approve a local company, because he would not mind paying extra money each month to keep it local. Alderwoman Peggy Holman stated that her dumpster is picked up no matter what holiday it is why she voted for Sonny's.

A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded by Nipul Patel to accept the bid from Republic Services (Allied Waste). A roll call vote followed with the following results Terry Cole – no, Peggy Holman – no, Deloris Smith-yes, Nipul Patel –yes, Mayor Tatum cast the tie breaking vote with a yes. Republic Services was awarded the trash contract on a three year basis.

B. BIDDING OUT CONVENTION CENTER REPAIRS

Mayor Tatum asked for a motion to place the repairs to the Convention Center vinyl wall covering out for bid. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

C. POLICE DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS – CHIEF GRIGGS

Chief of Police Chris Griggs approached the Mayor and the Board about purchasing 7 turtle necks from Dewitt Embroidery at the cost of \$17.50 and having the department's initials embroidered on it. Mayor Tatum stated that he did not have a problem with it and asked for a motion and a second to approve the uniform change and to purchase the turtle necks. A motion was made by Peggy Holman and seconded by Nipul Patel to purchase one turtle neck for each officer at a cost of \$17.50 each from Dewitt Embroidery. A roll call vote followed: Terry Cole – abstain (Teresa Dewitt – Mr. Cole's sister), Peggy Holman – yes, Nipul Patel-yes, Deloris Smith – no and Mayor Tatum broke the tie with a yes vote. Motion passed.

D. UPDATING POLICE DEPARTMENT RADIOS- CHIEF GRIGGS

Chief of Police Chris Griggs approached the Mayor and the Board about having the radios programmed that were awarded to the City on a grant. Chief Griggs explained that these radios will give the department the ability to hear traffic from the Missouri State Highway Patrol as well as the City of Sikeston. Griggs stated that he has received two bids one from JCS Wireless from Cape Girardeau in the amount of \$850 and the other one from Ryan Smith Company in Sikeston in the amount of \$770. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to have the radios programmed by Ryan Smith as long as Mr. Smith has insurance and is licensed to do business in the City. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Motion passed.

E. POLICE DEPARTMENT ISSUES- MAYOR TATUM

Mayor Tatum asked Captain Skinner if he had been researching purchasing new patrol cars and what had he found when researching. Captain Skinner explained that he found a three year lease purchase that two new Dodge Chargers could be purchased from Lou Fusz in St. Louis in the amount of \$48,000 for two cars and a \$6,540 for equipment with a total of an estimate \$62,500. Captain Skinner stated that he did check here locally and the cost for two Dodge Chargers at Morlan Dodge was \$55,940. Captain Skinner informed everyone that there was currently \$30,000 in the budget for new a car and he spoke to the City Clerk to see how she would like to work things and she stated bi-yearly payments on a lease would be good. Alderman Terry Cole asked if Morlan Chevrolet had been contacted and Captain Skinner informed everyone that he did not because the only patrol until that can be purchased from Chevy right now is the Tahoe. Chief Griggs informed Alderman Cole that Chevy is going to put out a Capris but there is not a release date on it yet. A motion was made by Nipul Patel and seconded by Deloris Smith to go ahead and do a three year lease and purchase the cars from Lou Fusz from St. Louis. A roll call vote followed with the following results: Deloris Smith- yes, Terry Cole- No (would like to wait to see what Chevrolet comes out with), Peggy Holman – yes, and Nipul Patel – yes. Motion passed.

Mayor Tatum stated that he noticed it was to have three cars in the fleet and one unmarked car for the Chief and he is not for the Chief having an unmarked car. Mayor Tatum stated that he does not want any unmarked cars on the streets.

Captain Skinner also added that revisit the maintenance logs on the patrol cars and put a maintenance officer in place to make sure that the maintenance is done on the patrol cars as it is needed.

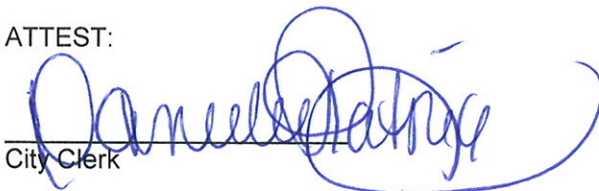
Mayor Tatum asked Chief Griggs to explain the issue with the part-time employee being called in and pulling a dispatcher off of her regular shift to work on a warrant round up. Mayor Tatum also added that he asked Mr. Sonny Riley for a statement and has not received it yet. Chief Griggs explained to the Mayor and the Board that it will not happen again he only did this to isolate her so that she could focus only on warrants, but she is about finished now. Mayor Tatum added that under no circumstance is the Chief of Police to contact the business agent for the union. If Chief Griggs has an issue he is to go to the Union Steward which is Kyle Rodgers. Mayor Tatum also asked if it was a big deal to go pick someone up when a warrant is issued instead of waiting and Griggs stated that if they are within the 75 radius for extradition because he lowered it from 150 miles because the City was going in the red by transporting.

Alderman Cole stated that he thought that it was voted on a year ago to stop the patrolling on the interstate. Chief of Police Chris Griggs asked the council what was their position do they want them to run moving radar or stationary radar on the interstate. After much discussion City Clerk Danielle Patrick stated that when the vote took place a year ago it stated that the officers could not sit in the grass, it did not say anything about them sitting on the overpass or on the shoulder or the road.

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


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk