

**ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 4, 2015; 6:30 P.M.
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
901 NORTH ELM STREET**

Presiding: Mayor Pro-Tempore Monty Jordan

Council Members in Attendance: Jonathan Hines, Monty Jordan (presiding), Matthew Crowell, Matthew Miller, Kelly Long, Don Morris, John Meusch, Jim Williams, Brian Woolley, Steven Jung, and Walt Bowe

Council Members Absent: Susan J. Eudaly

Department Directors in Attendance: Public Works Director Steve Hargis, Fire Chief Robert Williams, Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson, Parks and Recreation Director Scott Caron, Interim Police Chief Rick Williams, Community Development Director John Petersen, and Finance Director Steffanie Rogers

Other City Officials in Attendance: City Administrator John Butz, City Counselor Lance Thurman, and City Clerk Carol Daniels

Mayor Pro-Tempore Monty Jordan called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and asked a member of the Rolla Ministerial Alliance to give the invocation.

Councilman Matthew Crowell then led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Woolley to approve the consent agenda as submitted. A voice vote on the motion showed eleven ayes, zero nays, and one absent. Motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of the following:

(A) Approval of the Rolla City Council Minutes for the following:

- 1) City Council Meeting – April 6, 2015
- 2) City Council Closed Session – April 6, 2015
- 2) City Council Meeting – April 20, 2015
- 3) City Council Closed Session – April 20, 2015

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

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III. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

(A) People First of Rolla: Mr. Chris Combs representing People First of Rolla, addressed the Council concerning handicapped parking violations. He said he recently learned of a cell phone application called Parking Mobility. Mr. Combs said the application works by taking a photo of the illegally parked vehicle (one with no handicapped placard or license plate), the license plate, indicating the location of the vehicle, and then submitting it to the Police Department. Mr. Combs said the Police Department would then ticket the owner of the vehicle. He noted the Rolla Police Department currently does not participate in this program. Mr. Combs pointed out there are many people with disabilities who need these parking spaces. He mentioned Oklahoma City participates in Parking Mobility and their People First chapter receives one-half of the fines as a fundraiser for their organization.

City Administrator John Butz indicated the City would look into this application and contact the company. Additionally, he said he would verify to see if it is authorized in Missouri.

Ms. Michaela Combs, secretary of People First of Rolla, explained People First is a non-profit statewide organization that is run by and for people with disabilities. Currently there are 28 local People First chapters in Missouri. Ms. Combs said People First teaches and empowers other members to speak up and stand up for themselves. People First advocates for community services, which allow people to have choices and control over their own lives. Ms. Combs noted People First meetings are held at the Tri-County Independent Living Center on Highway 72 from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., the third Monday of each month.

(B) 2015 Missouri S&T Homecoming Parade, October 24, 2015: Ms. Danielle Grieve, representing the Missouri S&T Student Union Board, asked the Council to consider closing a portion of North State Street, West Eleventh Street and North Pine Street on October 24, 2015, for the 2015 Missouri S&T Homecoming Parade. A motion was made by Morris and seconded by Bowe authorizing the closing of the requested streets. A voice vote on the motion showed eleven ayes, zero nays, and one absent. Motion carried.

IV. REPORT OF MAYOR and COUNCIL/REPORTS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS/CITY DEPARTMENTS

Mayor Pro-Tempore Jordan referred the Council to (A) the March 2015, Centre FY 2015 Financial Analysis; (B) the March 2015 Parks Department FY 2015 Financial Analysis; (C) the March 18, 2015, Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes; (D) the March 2015 Environmental Services Department; (E) the April 2015, Fire and Rescue Department Monthly Report; (F) the March 2015 Police Department Monthly Report; (G) the March 2015, Animal Control Division Monthly Report; (H) the April 14, 2015, Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes; (I) the March 18, 2015, Historic Preservation Commission Meeting Minutes; (J) the April 2, 2015, Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes, and; (K) the March 31 2015, Development Review Committee Meeting Minutes.

V. OLD BUSINESS

(A) Ordinance Rezoning Property at 803 W. 13th Street from R-1 (Single Family District) to R-2 (Two Family District) Zoning (Rome): Community Development Director John Petersen explained the subject property contains approximately 26,000 square feet. The applicant has requested the rezoning from R-1 (Single-Family District) to R-2 (Two Family District) zoning. Mr. Petersen indicated the applicant plans to reorient the existing lot lines to accommodate the construction of a new duplex on the south side of the lot and to convert the existing structure to a duplex. Mr. Petersen reported the Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommend approval of the rezoning request.

After some discussion, City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its final reading by title. ORDINANCE NO. 4204: AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 803 WEST 13TH STREET FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY DISTRICT) ZONING TO R-2 (TWO FAMILY DISTRICT) ZONING. (ROME). A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Morris to approve the proposed ordinance. A roll call vote on the motion showed the following: Ayes: Crowell, Jung, Hines, Jordan, Miller, Bowe, Williams, Meusch, Long, Morris, and Woolley. Nays; None. Absent; Eudaly. Motion carried. The ordinance passed.

(B) Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Miles Addition, a Resubdivision Consisting of Lots 1&2 Formerly Lots 8,9,10,11,&12, Block 6, of Holloway's First Addition (Miles): Community Development Director John Petersen explained the applicant is requesting the re-shifting of property lines. He explained the applicant is

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V. OLD BUSINESS (continued)

(B) Ordinance Approving the Final Plat of Miles Addition, a Resubdivision Consisting of Lots 1&2 Formerly Lots 8,9,10,11,&12, Block 6, of Holloway's First Addition (Miles) (continued): proposing to consolidate five lots into two new lots (Lots 1 and 2), to facilitate the sale of real estate and to make it easier for development to occur. The Planning and Zoning Commission unanimously recommends approval.

Following a brief discussion, City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its final reading by title. ORDINANCE NO. 4205: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RESUBDIVISION OF HOLLOWAY'S FIRST ADDITION, FORMER LOTS 8, 9, 10, 11, AND 12, BLOCK 6, CONSISTING OF TWO NEW LOTS DESIGNATED AS LOTS 1 AND 2 (MILES). A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Morris to approve the proposed ordinance. A roll call vote on the motion showed the following: Ayes; Morris, Woolley, Miller, Williams, Hines, Jung, Meusch, Jordan, Bowe, Crowell, and Long. Nays; None. Absent; Eudaly. Motion carried. The ordinance passed.

(C) Ordinance Amending Chapter 35 of the City Code Pertaining to the Board of Public Works: City Administrator John Butz explained about six years ago the City and Rolla Municipal Utilities (RMU) performed an update of Chapter 35, which pertains to the real authorization granted by the City Council to the Board of Public Works. At that time, the Council gave the RMU Board the authority to expend up to \$100,000 on items that do not require Council action in the way of a contract. Mr. Butz recalled that a few months ago the Council reviewed a small real estate transaction because there was nothing in the ordinance that specified real estate transactions. As a result, there was a recommendation from the attorneys to amend Chapter 35 that would give RMU the authority to negotiate and approve the buying or selling of real property under \$100,000. Mr. Butz said it would not need to come to the City Council for approval unless there was the potential for an adverse impact in the neighborhood.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its final reading by title. ORDINANCE NO. 4206: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTIONS 35-154 AND 35-156 OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI KNOWN AS THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, AND ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 35-154 AND 35-156 IN LIEU THEREOF PERTAINING TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS. A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Morris to approve the proposed ordinance. A roll call vote on the motion showed the following: Ayes; Hines, Long, Jung, Williams, Jordan, Miller, Meusch, Woolley, Morris, and Bowe. Nays; Crowell. Absent; Eudaly. Motion carried. The ordinance passed.

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V. OLD BUSINESS (continued)

(D) Ordinance to Consider COP Lease Financing for Street Improvements & Temporary Park Funding: City Administrator John Butz recalled \$3 million for street work was approved in the budget. He said \$500,000 has been added that would be used as a draw down on funding for the Parks Department, all of which would be a way to advance the revenue stream that would take effect October 1, 2015, on the parks sales tax proceeds and would not be received by the City until December 2015. Mr. Butz said this would allow the City to borrow those dollars for a year and then pay them back in 2016, once the revenue stream comes in.

Mr. Michael Short, Managing Director with Oppenheimer and Company's Kansas City office, briefed the Council on the COP process and entertained Council's questions.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its final reading, by title. **ORDINANCE NO. 4207: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO A LEASE PURCHASE TRANSACTION THE PROCEEDS OF WHICH WILL BE USED TO PAY THE COSTS OF FINANCING CERTAIN ROADS, STREETS, PARKING LOTS AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS AND TO FUND LOCAL PARKS IN ANTICIPATION OF REVENUES FROM THE PARKS SALES TAX; AND APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF CERTAIN DOCUMENTS AND ACTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH. A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Woolley to approve the proposed ordinance. A roll call vote on the motion showed the following: Ayes: Meusch, Jordan, Williams, Hines, Jung, Woolley, Long, Bowe, Crowell, Morris, and Miller. Nays: None. Absent: Eudaly. Motion carried. The ordinance passed.**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

(A) Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement Between the City of Rolla and the Rolla Housing Authority: Interim Police Chief Rick Williams recalled that in 2011 the Rolla Police Department and the Rolla Housing Authority entered into an agreement to provide a Rolla Housing Officer to help reduce crime and drug activity in Section 8 housing. He reported the agreement is about to expire and staff is recommending renewal.

After some discussion, City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its first reading, by title. **ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI TO**

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VI. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

(A) Ordinance Authorizing an Agreement Between the City of Rolla and the Rolla Housing Authority (continued): EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, AND THE ROLLA HOUSING AUTHORITY.

(B) Motion Authorizing the Closing of Certain Streets on June 20 During the 2015 Great Race: Parks and Recreation Director Scott Caron asked the Council to consider the closing of certain streets during the 2015 Great Race, scheduled for June 20, 2015.

A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Hines to authorize the closing of 8th Street (from Oak Street to Rolla Street), Ninth Street (from Elm Street to Rolla Street), and Pine Street (from Sixth Street to Tenth Street) from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on June 20 for the Great Race. A voice vote on the motion showed eleven ayes, zero nays, and one absent. Motion carried.

(C) Ordinance Enabling the One-Quarter Cent Sales Tax for Local Parks: Parks and Recreation Director Scott Caron recalled on January 5, 2015, the City Council authorized a one-quarter cent sales tax, reduced to three-sixteenths sales tax on October 1 2023, for local parks to be submitted to Rolla voters on April 7, 2015. He reported the measure was approved by voters with 68% in favor. To begin collection of the subject sales tax, Mr. Caron said an ordinance must be approved to authorize the Department of Revenue to begin collections.

City Counselor Lance Thurman read the following proposed ordinance for its first reading, by title. ORDINANCE: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 37-23 OF THE ROLLA CITY CODE AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION IN LIEU THEREOF ENACTING A ONE QUARTER CENT SALES TAX (REDUCED TO THREE-SIXTEENTHS CENT IN 2023) FOR LOCAL PARKS TO MAINTAIN, IMPROVE AND MANAGE PARKS, TRAILS, PLAYGROUNDS, PARKING LOTS, BATHROOMS, CEMETERY AND NATURAL LANDS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES. THESE FUNDS ARE PROHIBITED FOR SUPPORT OF THE CENTRE.

Councilman Williams asked Mr. Caron why the City plans to spend \$265,000 on Schuman Lake.

Mr. Caron explained it has a tremendous amount of sediment and is very shallow. He added it is a storm water detention facility, which is needed in order to be able to prevent flooding downstream.

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VI. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

(C) Ordinance Enabling the One-Quarter Cent Sales Tax for Local Parks (continued): City Administrator John Butz added the proposed maintenance improvement list, contained in the agenda packets, is an outline identified by City staff. He said the community will be asked for their input and the Council will need to give approval.

VII. CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS

None.

VIII. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

(A) Open Citizen Communication: Mayor Pro-Tempore Jordan opened the floor to anyone wishing to address the Council.

(1) Summerfest: Mr. Tom Sager, 8 Laird Avenue, Rolla, Missouri, said it has been a longtime since he attended any of the Summerfest events, other than to snap a few pictures. He said he has actually been boycotting Summerfest for the last five years over the burnout contest. Mr. Sager stated he was happy to hear the burnout contest is not on this year's Summerfest schedule and commended the Council for getting rid of this eyesore and the terrible pollution from it. He recalled a young woman was hurt last year from the burnout contest when a piece of flying debris from one of the trucks hit her and broke her leg. Mr. Sager said he plans to attend and enjoy Summerfest this year.

No one else present addressed the Council.

IX. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

(A) Motion Reappointing/Appointing the Refuse Service Review Committee: A motion was made by Long and seconded by Hines to reappoint Councilmen Jim Williams, Don Morris, and Monty Jordan to the Refuse Service Review Committee. A voice vote on the motion showed eleven ayes, zero nays, and one absent. Motion carried.

IX. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS (continued)

(B) Motion Appointing Ms. Donna Reed to the Rolla Historic Preservation Committee to Replace Ms. Michelle Marxkors Who Resigned (April 2018): A motion was made by Williams and seconded by Long to appoint Ms. Donna Reed to the Rolla Historic Preservation Committee to replace Ms. Michelle Marxkors (April 2018). A voice vote on the motion showed eleven ayes, zero nays, and one absent. Motion carried.

(C) High Grass: Councilman Williams reminded Rolla residents to mow their yards to avoid a fine.

(D) Major Transportation Preliminary Assessment: City Administrator John Butz reported HNTB would be providing the City's major transportation preliminary assessment tomorrow morning. Additionally, he invited the Council and citizens to the open house at the Phelps County Courthouse from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., where HNTB would be obtaining input into things the community can do to dramatically change the flow or potential congestion of the city's major arteries. Mr. Butz encouraged everyone to attend this important session.

X. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

(A) Recognition of Gary Stevens: Councilman Williams recognized Mr. Gary Stevens, a member of People First of Rolla, who has been a friend of his for many years. He noted Mr. Stevens is an avid bowler.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

None.

XII. CLOSED SESSION ACTION

None.

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XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Carol Daniels.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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