ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY MARCH 7, 2022; 6:30 P.M.
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
901 NORTH ELM STREET

Presiding: Mayor Pro-tem Jody Eberly

Council Members in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing: Lister Florence and Mayor Louis J. Magdits IV


Council Members Absent: Deanne Lyons

Department Directors in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing: - None

Department Directors and Other City Officials in Physical Attendance: City Administrator John Butz, Community Development Director Steve Flowers, Public Works Director Steve Hargis, City Engineer Darin Pryor, Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson, Police Chief Sean Fagan, Fire Chief Ron Smith, Parks Director Floyd Jernigan, Centre Recreation Director Marci Fairbanks, Finance Director Steffanie Rogers, City Planner Tom Coots, and City Counselor Lance Thurman.

Mayor Pro-Tem Jody Eberly called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and asked Megan Johnson to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Murphey entered late at 6:32 p.m.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider Approval of the City Council Minutes of:
   1. City Council Meeting – February 7, 2022
   2. City Council Meeting – February 22, 2022

A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Higgins to approve the minutes. A voice vote showed 11 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 absent.

II. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

III. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS –

A. St. Pat’s Celebration Update (City Engineer Darin Pryor) Mr. Pryor gave a brief update of the events for the St. Pat’s Celebration. A motion was made by Fridley and seconded by Bolin to allow the appropriate
street and parking lot closures. A voice vote showed 11 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 absent.

Tourism Director Aimee Campbell also discussed two separate fun runs that will be happening on March 19th. The Best Ever St. Pat’s 5K and the Best Ever St. Pat’s Beer Run.

B. First Annual Rolla Craft Fair, April 2, 2022. Amy Luebbert, RDBA Volunteer, discussed the upcoming Spring Craft Fair. A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Fridley to allow the appropriate street closings. A voice vote showed 11 Ayes, zero Nays, and 1 absent.

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

b. Building Codes monthly report – February 2022
d. Animal Control Division Report – January 2022
e. RMU monthly reports – January 2022
f. Rolla Board of Public Works minutes for January 25, 2022
g. The Centre Income Statement – January 2022
h. Municipal Court Division Summary – January 2022
i. City of Rolla Financial Reports – December 2021
j. Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes – February 15, 2022
k. Parks Advisory Commission Minutes – January 26th, 2022
l. Development Review Committee Minutes – March 1st, 2022

Chief Fagan explained that the increase in call statistics has to do with the change in how crimes are reported. With UCR (Uniformed Crime Reporting), when a crime with multiple infractions occur, only the most serious one of them all would be reported. Now with the mandatory switch to NIBRS (National Incident Based Reporting System), every incident must be reported.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Ordinance to approve the minor subdivision plat of Davis Addition. (City Planner Tom Coots) City Counselor Lance Thurman read the ordinance for its final reading, by title: ORDINANCE 4671: AN ORDINANCE TO APPROVE THE MINOR SUBDIVISION FINAL PLAT OF DAVIS ADDITION. A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Murphey to approve the subdivision. A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Renaud, Florence, Steen, Bolin, Higgins, Murphey, Fridley, Johnson, Kessinger, Mayberry, and Eberly. Nays: none. Absent: Lyons.

B. Ordinance to enter into a contract with Hutchinson Recreation for a new Buehler Park playground structure. (Parks Director Floyd Jernigan) City Counselor Lance Thurman read the ordinance for its final reading, by title: ORDINANCE 4672: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI A CERTAIN SALE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI AND HUTCHINSON RECREATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW PLAYGROUND STRUCTURE FOR BUEHLER PARK. A motion was made by Bolin and seconded by Higgins to allow the purchase. A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Fridley, Kessinger, Higgins, Bolin, Renaud, Steen, Mayberry, Murphey, Johnson, Eberly, and Florence. Nays: none. Absent: Lyons.
VI. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Ordinance** to amend section 18-3 and 18-16 regarding curb-side recycling. (Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson) After the discussion at the February 22nd council meeting regarding the possible discontinuation of the curbside recycling program, it was decided that the current verbiage of the City Code regarding such, needed to be revised. City Counselor Lance Thurman read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE REPEALING SECTION 18-3 AND SECTION 18-16, OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI KNOWN AS THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, AND ENACTING A NEW SECTION IN LIEU THEREOF PERTAINING TO RECYCLING COLLECTIONS.

B. **Ordinance** to amend Section 27-36 of the City Code regarding UTV operations. (City Administrator John Butz) City Counselor Lance Thurman read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI TO AMEND SECTION 27-36 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF UTILITY VEHICLES WITHIN THE LIMITS OF SAID CITY, TO ESTABLISH REASONABLE REGULATIONS THEREETO, AND TO REPEAL ALL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. Further discussion was had about amending the proposed ordinance to reflect a higher liability insurance coverage rather than the state statute minimum and a “whereas” clause to allow for further review after a set time frame.

VII. **CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS** - None

VIII. **CITIZEN COMMUNICATION** –

A. Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson shared with Council that the next Spring Cleanup is scheduled for April 2nd.

B. Jordon Leppich – county resident: Spoke in opposition of the homeless shelter moving.

C. Robert Miller – 2101 Vienna: Spoke on behalf of the homeless and government overreach.

IX. **MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS**

A. Fire Chief Ron Smith reminded Council of the Statewide tornado drill on March 8th.

B. Centre Recreation Director Marci Fairbanks reminded Council of the Daddy Daughter Dance on Friday, March 11th from 6-8pm.

C. Mayor Pro-Tem Jody Eberly updated the public that on March 10th, the Board of Adjustment (BOA) meeting would not be discussing the Mission application for a “Use Variance” which has ben postponed until the April 7th BOA meeting. At the March 10th meeting, there will be a discussion on use variance applications in general.

D. Councilman Florence gave kudos to RMU for an excellent job done over the weekend repairing downed power lines.

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X. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

A. Councilman Fridley brought forth three issues that were brought to his attention: 7th street speeding, unsecured neighborhood dogs and excessive barking, and the decline of neighborhood properties in the area of Richard, Laird, Lariat, and Johnson.

B. Councilwoman Bolin reminded Councilmembers to speak into their microphones.

XI. CLOSED SESSION – None

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:44 pm
Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Lorri Thurman.

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CITY CLERK       MAYOR