ROLLA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 15TH, 2022; 6:30 P.M.
ROLLA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
901 NORTH ELM STREET

Presiding: Mayor Louis J. Magdits IV

Council Members in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing: None


Council Members Absent: None

Department Directors in Attendance via Zoom Videoconferencing: None

Department Directors and Other City Officials in Physical Attendance: Community Development Director Steve Flowers, City Planner Tom Coots, City Engineer Darin Pryor, Environmental Services Director Brady Wilson, Police Chief Sean Fagan, Fire Chief Ron Smith, Parks Director Floyd Jernigan, RMU GM Rodney Bourne and City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost.

Mayor Magdits called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 p.m. and asked Moriah Renaud to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

I. PUBLIC HEARINGS –
A. Public Hearing and Ordinance Setting 2022 Tax Rate. (Finance Director Steffanie Rogers) Mayor Magdits opened the hearing at 6:34. There were none that commented in opposition or support and the hearing was closed at 6:34. City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its first reading, by title: ORDINANCE 4693: AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX LEVY FOR GENERAL REVENUE, LIBRARY AND PARK BY THE CITY OF ROLLA, MISSOURI, FOR THE YEAR 2022. A motion was made by Fridley and seconded by Kessinger to suspend the rules for the final reading. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes and zero Nays. City Counselor Carolyn Buschjost read the ordinance for its final reading. A motion was made by Kessinger and seconded by Bolin to set the Tax Levy. A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Fridley, Kessinger, Higgins, Bolin, Renaud, Steen, Mayberry, Chirban, Balch, Johnson, Hall, and Florence. Nays: none.

II. ACKNOWLEDGMENTS and SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS –
A. Celebration of Nations 2022 – Jeff Sandquist shared with Council the festivities and new parade route for this year’s Celebration of Nations on Saturday, September 24th. This year the parade has grown to 150 flags.
B. Motion to allow street closing for Celebration of Nations parade and activities. (Public Works Director Steve Hargis) A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Renaud to allow the street closures. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes & zero Nays.

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C. 2022 Fiscal Year 3rd Quarter Report – RMU General Manager Rodney Bourne advised that 3rd quarter revenues increased $503,248 from last year. Council was updated on current projects, the replacement of aging water mains, and upcoming fiber projects. Reliability Statistics for 2021 were shared showing that the average service availability to consumers is at 99.996%. Mr. Bourne reminded Council of the change of website domain to rmurolla.org for easier online public access.

D. Rolla Municipal Utilities FY2023 Budget – RMU General Manager Rodney Bourne summarized RMU’s proposed budget for FY 2023 which is available for viewing on their website.

III. OLD BUSINESS –
A. Ordinance updating the sewer pretreatment program as approved by MDNR. (City Engineer Darin Pryor) This ordinance concludes a 4 year project by staff as a requirement of DNR for the city to update the program since Hartmann US is an EPA designated categorical pretreatment industry. A motion was made by Bolin and seconded by Johnson to pass the ordinance. A roll call vote showed the following: Ayes: Bolin, Higgins, Steen, Fridley, Mayberry, Chirban, Balch, Johnson, Kessinger, Florence, Hall, and Renaud. Nays: zero.

B. Discussion of Text amendment pertaining to Homeless Shelters and related uses. (City Planner Tom Coots)  
A motion was made by Fridley to have a public hearing over the proposed ordinance at the next meeting on September 6th. After some discussion, Fridley withdrew his motion. It was agreed that the text would be brought back at the next meeting on September 6th to further discuss any possible changes that needed to be made, followed by a Public Hearing on September 19th.

IV. NEW BUSINESS –
A. Resolution to approve Enforcement Response Plan – Industrial Pretreatment (City Engineer Darin Pryor)  
This plan is related to the sewer pretreatment program and is the enforcement plan for compliance to the program listed previously in III.A. A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Higgins to approve the resolution. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes & zero Nays.

B. Motion to approve disposal of records pursuant to the Missouri Records Retention Law. (City Administrator John Butz) Councilman Hall suggested an amendment to police records requiring the in house requirement for records pertaining to promotion processes (which is already longer than the state’s requirement) to match those of the Internal Affairs for active employees. Records will not be destroyed for two weeks. A motion was made by Chirban and seconded by Johnson to allow the scheduled destruction of listed records. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes & zero Nays.

C. Discussion Chapter 39, Trailers and Mobile Homes, Section 39-15, pertaining to Travel Trailer Occupancy. City Planner Tom Coots advised Council that the property at Blues Lake has a prospective buyer who wishes to develop the property as an RV park. An RV park is considered to be a “travel trailer park” and is subject to the requirements of chapter 39 which were adopted in 1968 and in line to be updated. Staff is recommending that the prospective buyer go through the PUD process that could address the length of nightly stays to which could be up to 6 months. Jaden Gurney, the prospective buyer and owner of several RV properties, explained that before he will commit to the expense of a PUD, he wanted to present his vision to Council to get an idea of the plans support. Mr. Gurney showed an idea of what the park might look like as a visual but will not be his final submitted plan for the PUD. The 13 acre park would hold approximately 164 full service sites with 50 amp hook up and excellent WI-FI to accommodate the comforts required by most owners of the large RV’s. Tent camping will not be allowed. Council had no objections to what was presented.
V. CLAIMS and/or FISCAL TRANSACTIONS – None

VI. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION - None

VII. MAYOR/CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

   A. Motion to appoint Fred Stone to the Board of Building Appeals (5 year term expires Aug 2027) A motion was made by Johnson and seconded by Kessinger to allow the appointment. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes and zero Nays.

   B. Motion to re-appoint Dr. Kent Ray to the Health & Recreation Center Board (3 year term expires August 2025) A motion was made by Fridley and seconded by Balch to accept the appointment. A voice vote showed 12 Ayes and zero Nays.

VIII. COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

IX. CLOSED SESSION – Closed Session per RSMo 610.021 - NONE

X. ADJOURNMENT -

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:59 p.m.
Minutes respectfully submitted by City Clerk Lorri Thurman.

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CITY CLERK       MAYOR