The special Sikeston City Council meeting of January 29, 2018 was called to order at 11:30 a.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore and Ryan Merideth. Mary White-Ross arrived at 11:35 a.m. Councilmen Gerald Settles and Brian Self were absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Deputy City Clerk Rhonda Council, Public Safety Director Mike Williams, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, Parks Director Dustin Care, and Senior Building Official Collin Cecil. Also present was Lorenzo Ware, Intern for the City of Sikeston.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Appointment to Scott County Extension Council

Councilman Merideth nominated Susan Howle Werner for appointment to the Scott County Extension Council. The nomination was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye,
   White-Ross Absent, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Second Reading & Consideration, Bill #6083, Replat Lot B-1 of Belz’Burrow’s, 2nd Addition

Councilwoman Evans moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6083. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye,
   White-Ross Absent, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6083 PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF THE RE-PLAT OF LOT B-1 OF BELZ*BURROW’S, 2ND ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SIKESTON, NEW MADRID COUNTY, MISSOURI.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I: This Ordinance shall not be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The Planning and Zoning Commission met on December 12, 2017 and passed a favorable recommendation to approve the replat of Lot B-1, of Belz*Burrow’s, 2nd Addition to the City of Sikeston, New Madrid County, Missouri, the plat of which is attached hereto, marked Exhibit “A” and incorporated by reference.

SECTION III: Aforesaid replat is accepted and approved subject to its recording in Scott County, Missouri and full compliance with the building codes and housing ordinances of the City of
Sikeston, Missouri, and in the event the provision of aforesaid codes of this City conflict with said replat, the Code shall be determinative.

SECTION IV: Aforesaid replat is accepted subject to full compliance with the stormwater management plan.

SECTION V: General Repealer Section. Any other ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent herewith, are hereby repealed.

SECTION VI: Severability. Should any part or parts of this ordinance be found or held to be invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining part or parts shall be severable and shall continue in full force and effect.

SECTION VII: Record of Passage

A. Bill Number 6083 was introduced and read the first time this 8th day of January 2018.

B. Bill Number 6083 was read the second time and discussed this 29th day of January, 2018. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve Bill Number 6083. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth, discussed and the following roll call vote was recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, White-Ross Absent, Evans Aye, and Burch Aye thereby being passed and becoming ordinance 6083.

C. Ordinance 6083 shall be in full force and effect from and after Wednesday, February 28, 2018.

1st Reading, Bill #6086, Taxicab Services Amended

Councilman Merideth moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6086. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Absent, and Burch Aye thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6086 and shall amend Chapter 640 of the Sikeston Municipal Code establishing additional provisions regarding taxicabs within the City of Sikeston, Missouri.

This bill will require taxicabs to have on both sides and rear of the vehicle in professionally stenciled or applied vinyl of no less than four inches the word “Taxi”, the name of the cab company and identification number. Handwritten letters shall not be considered legible.

1st Reading, Bill #6087, Battery Backup Units at Traffic Signals

Councilman Gilmore moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6087. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

   Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye.
White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented Bill Number 6087 for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6087 authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of Sikeston, Missouri and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission providing for the installation of uninterrupted power supply units (hereinafter “UPS”), a the traffic signals in the City.

This agreement with MoDOT will authorize the installation of battery backup units at 6 signal locations. The City will provide the materials and MoDOT will install and maintain them. Any future battery costs will be divided 50/50. Anticipated cost is $23,100 and is included in this year’s budget.

**Briefing: Digital Sign for Recreation Complex**

Parks Director Care briefed Council on the possible purchase of a digital sign at the Recreation Complex. This sign would promote recreational events being held at the complex and can also be used for potential revenue for individuals or families who rent the Clinton Building to advertise events. The cost projection is $32,000, which is $7,000 over budget.

**Briefing: Drop-Off Recycling Locations**

City Manager Douglass gave an overview of possible locations needed for recycling drop-off containers. Per the City’s contract with Sonny’s Solid Waste, three drop-off recycling containers are to be placed in the city. Possible locations include Fire Stations 1 & 3 and Sonny’s headquarters on Smith Street. After reviewing Station 3, it was determined that there was not enough room at that location for a container. Other optional locations include the old Essex building and in the vicinity of Lowe’s.

**Receive Annual Financial Audit**

City Manager Douglass informed Council that the audit for FY17 has been completed by Bucher, Essner & Miles, LLC and is posted on the City’s website for public access. The auditor’s report expresses the opinion that the city’s financial statements “present fairly, in all material aspects, the respective financial position” of the city’s funds.

Councilman Gilmore moved that the City formally receive the FY17 annual financial audit. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

**ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Gilmore moved to adjourn into executive session for discussion of property and personnel. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.
Mayor Burch called the executive session to order. Present were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmen Karen Evans, Ryan Merideth, Jon Gilmore, and Mary White-Ross. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Deputy City Clerk Rhonda Council, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, and Public Safety Director Mike Williams.

No action was taken in executive session.

**ADJOURNMENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Councilman Merideth moved to adjourn from executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Gilmore and the following roll call vote recorded:

Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Gilmore moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman White-Ross and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Gilmore Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Absent, Settles Absent, Evans Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: