The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of February 3, 2014 was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, located at 105 East Center, Sikeston. Present at the meeting were Mayor Jerry Pullen and Councilmen Steven Burch, Bob Depro, Jon Gilmore, Maude Harris, and Kathy Teachout. Staff in attendance were: City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Public Safety Director Drew Juden, Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes, Parks Director Jiggs Moore, and Street Superintendent Brian Dial.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council minutes of December 30, 2013 and January 6 and 27, 2014 were presented for approval. Councilman Depro moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Burch seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

Minutes from various board and commission meetings were presented to the City Council. Councilman Burch moved to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and voted as follows:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye,
Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

MoDOT Briefing on 2014 Planning Efforts

David Wyman, MoDOT Area Engineer, briefed the City Council on the current status of MoDOT funding and discussed a proposed sales tax, with 10-year sunset, to fund State-wide transportation projects. The State’s planning commissions will be tasked with working with local officials in the program planning and project evaluation. Public Works Director Jay Lancaster will be representing the City in the project planning efforts.

Employee Wellness Plan Presentation

Deke Lape of Mitchell Insurance presented an overview of the benefits associated with Employee Wellness Plans and various ways they can be designed to promote employee participation. Meetings with representatives of the City and BMU are scheduled to draft a wellness plan for City employees.

Resolution 14-02-03, Support for Sikeston Public School’s Bond Issue

Resolution 14-02-03 was presented for reading.
RESOLUTION 14-02-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI SUPPORTING THE PASSAGE OF SIKESTON R-6 SCHOOL DISTRICT’S APRIL 8, 2014 BALLOT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $32.3 MILLION IN GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR DISTRICT IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, education is essential to the growth of this community’s social and economic well-being; and

WHEREAS, to achieve the level of education needed for our residents to compete in current and future economies, they must be provided with safe and appropriate learning facilities and technologies; and

WHEREAS, the Sikeston R-6 School Board, after significant analysis and study, has determined certain existing learning facilities, due to their age and condition, are in need of improvements to benefit the safety and learning environment of our children.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

The Council and Mayor of the City of Sikeston, recognizing our community’s future is dependent upon the provision of quality education, urges residents to support the April 8, 2014 ballot for the issuance of $32.3 million in general obligation bonds by Sikeston R-6 School District.

Read this 3rd day of February 2014, Councilman Depro moved to approve Resolution 14-02-01. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burch, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Bid Number 14-16, Purchase of Park Division Mowers

Bids for the purchase of 2 front-mounted Park Division mowers were reviewed by Parks Director Jiggs Moore. Councilman Gilmore moved to award Bid 14-16 to Greenway Equipment Company, trading in the 2010 Kubota and 2012 John Deere mowers for a net cost of $17,000. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Bid Number 14-18, Purchase of Street Division Tractor

Street Superintendent Dial reviewed the bids for the purchase of a tractor. Councilman Burch moved to award Bid Number 14-18 to Medlin Equipment Company for an M-8560 Kubota Tractor in the amount of $41,600. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:
Consideration of Relocation of Airport Terminal

Information regarding the relocation of the airport terminal was reviewed by Public Works Director Jay Lancaster. Consideration was given to leaving it at its current location, moving it to the northeast area of the airport property and relocating it to the south of its present site. Councilman Teachout moved to accept staff’s recommendation to build the new airport terminal just south of its current location. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.


Director Lancaster requested authorization to execute a contract with Waters & Associates, Inc for engineering services associated with the construction of a new terminal building. MoDOT Aviation previously approved the City using Waters & Associates on aeronautical projects for a five year period, beginning in 2010.

Councilman Depro moved to authorize the execution of a contract with Waters & Associates, Inc. for the engineering services related to the city airport, in the amount of $74,900. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burch and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Resolution 14-02-03, Declaration of Surplus Property, Guns

The Circuit Court has forfeited guns in the custody of Sikeston Public Safety to the City of Sikeston. DPS has no desire to keep these guns and is requesting permission to have them declared surplus so that they may either be sold or destroyed.

RESOLUTION 14-02-02

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI DECLARING CERTAIN GUNS IN THE CITY’S INVENTORY TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZING ITS DISPOSAL.

WHEREAS, Certain guns in the City’s inventory, due to their age or state of disrepair can no longer adequately perform the day-to-day operations of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sikeston seeks to remove such items from its inventories to maximize it operations, and to provide a safe and efficient environment for its employees.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:
All of the items attached are hereby declared surplus and the City Manager is directed to proceed with the removal of these items from City inventories by sale at public auction, sale by sealed bid, or when the item is no longer usable, by disposal.

Read this 3rd day of February, 2014, Councilman Depro moved to approve Resolution 14-02-02. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

Authorization to Execute a Change Order for Additional Work on Kingshighway

Director Lancaster reported as the Kingshighway/Malone intersection project was being completed, it was noted a section of pavement just south of the new pavement that runs south to a cross-road stormwater pipe in front of the new DPS building, has been damaged. He proposed a change order to allow the area receive new concrete pavement, the drainage structures be adjusted as necessary and the dip at the new inlet be corrected.

Councilman Teachout moved to approve the Change Order for additional work on Kingshighway in the amount of $35,657.50. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro, discussed and the following roll call vote recorded:

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Burch Aye, Depro Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Teachout Aye, and Pullen Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

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JERRY PULLEN, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: