The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of May 19, 2022 was called to order at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall located at 105 E. Center St., Sikeston. Present at the meeting were: Mayor Greg Turnbow, Brian Self, David Teachout, John Leible and Tom Robison. Councilmembers Onethia Williams and Vest Baker were absent. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Tabatha Thurman, City Clerk Rhonda Council, Finance Director Karen Bailey, HR Director Amanda Groves, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, Building Maintenance Supervisor Billy Smith, Parks Director Dustin Care, Community Development Director Barry Blevins, Public Safety Director James McMillen, Captain Ryan Smith and Jimmy Harrell.

**PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS DAY**

Mayor Turnbow presented a proclamation on National Gun Violence Awareness Day.

**PUBLIC HEARING – FY23 BUDGET HEARING**

Councilman Self motioned to begin the Public Hearing to discuss the City’s FY23 Budget. The motion was seconded by Councilman Leible and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

City Manager Douglass presented a draft of the City’s FY23 budget. Council is not bound to the draft of the budget. It can be adjusted up or down until the day it is adopted. The Budget will be discussed at the next meeting later this month and formally adopted at the June 6th Council meeting.

No remarks were heard from the public.

There being no further discussion before the City Council, Councilman Self moved to adjourn from the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Interim Appointment to Tax Increment Financing (TIF) and PAWS Advisory Board

John Leible was a member of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Commission prior to being elected to Council. His position needed to be replaced but we did not have applications on file at our previous meeting. Staff recently received applications from Clay Driskill, Austin Curtis and Ron Eifert. This will be an interim appointment with the term expiring in 2025.

Councilman Leible moved to appoint Clay Driskill to the Tax Increment Financing Commission with his term expiring in 2025. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

Staff received a letter from Pete Burns of his resignation from PAWS Advisory Board. We have the applications from the following individuals in our Resource Bank: Derrick Pullen, Hailey Driskill, Sam Gleason, Tiara Riggs-Butler, Mandy Leible and Natalie Bohannon. This will be an interim appointment with the term expiring in 2023.

Councilman Robison moved to appoint Sam Gleason to the PAWS Advisory Board with his term expiring in 2023. The motion was seconded by Councilman Leible and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

Authorization to Purchase Generator for Airport Operations

Staff is seeking authorization to purchase a Koehler Model 55REOZT4 Diesel Generator from CK Power out of St. Louis, MO to assist in airport operations in times of an emergency. The cost of this purchase is $52,020.00 and includes cables and camloks for hookup. The current lead time for this generator is 28 weeks. It is a portable unit that will be designate for airport use but can be used in other sites when needed.

Councilman Self moved to approve the purchase of the Koehler Model 55REOZT4 Diesel Generator from CK Power in St. Louis, MO in the amount of $52,020.00. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

Approve Unilever Acquisition of Real Property in the North Industrial Park

In December 2017 the City of Sikeston and Unilever executed a land swap wherein the City took possession of the vacated Unilever south plant on County Line Rd and Unilever was granted an option to acquire 16.85 acres just south of their plant on Rose Parkway in the north industrial park. Unilever has notified the City that they are ready to exercise that option. Staff requests City Council approval to execute documents necessary to transfer the property.

Councilman Leible moved to approve the execution of documents for Unilever to acquire 16.85 acres just south of their plant on Rose Parkway in the North Industrial Park. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

Authorize Renewal of Contract for Prosecuting Attorney

Kye Lawrence has been the city’s prosecutor since February 2015. The proposed contract does not include an increase for his services but does provide an additional sixteen thousand eight hundred dollars ($16,800) for his cost in providing prosecutorial staff. This brings the total annual cost to forty-eight thousand eight hundred dollars ($48,800) per year.

Councilman Self moved to authorize the renewal of the prosecuting attorney’s contract in the amount of $48,800 which includes an additional $16,800 for his cost in providing prosecutorial
authorize renewal of contract for municipal judge

Frank Marshall has been the municipal judge since 1993. The proposed contract does not include an increase. The fee is $30,000 per year.

New language in the contract clarifies the responsibilities of the municipal judge:
- The judge is responsible for the daily operations of the Municipal Court Division of Sikeston.
- The judge is responsible for the Municipal Court’s compliance with Missouri State Statutes and OSCA’s rules and regulations.
- The judge is responsible for meeting all of the 33rd Judicial Circuit Court’s requirements.

Councilman Self moved to renew the municipal judge contract in the amount of $30,000.00 per year along with the listed responsibilities. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

1st Reading, Bill #6266, FY22 Budget Amendment

Councilman Teachout moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6266. The motion was seconded by Councilman Leible and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Emergency Ordinance Number 6266 and shall amend Ordinance Number 6223, the FY-22 Budget.

1st Reading, Bill #6262, FY23 Budget

Councilman Leible moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6262. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye, Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill as adopted shall become Emergency Ordinance Number 6262 and shall be referred to as “The FY-23 Budget” (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023), it shall repeal Ordinance 6223, being the “FY-2022 Budget” and all amendments thereto, it shall provide for the appropriation of monies and administration of expenditures of monies received by the City of Sikeston in accordance with the ordinance.
1st Reading, Bill #6263, FY23 Staffing & Compensation Ordinance

Councilman Self moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6263. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill as adopted shall become Emergency Ordinance Number 6263 and shall repeal Ordinance Number 6222 being the FY-22 Compensation Plan and Employee Staffing Level Authorization, and all amendments thereto; and shall establish the employee compensation plan and staffing levels, and administration thereof for Fiscal Year 2023 (July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023).

Juneteenth has been added as an additional holiday for FY2023 but not for the current year. Staff seeks Council’s authorization to observe Juneteenth (June 19th) as a holiday for 2022. Councilman Robison moved to declare June 19, 2022 as a holiday (since June 19th falls on a Sunday, it will be observed on Monday, June 20th). The motion was seconded by Councilman Leible, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

1st Reading, Bill #6264, Re-Adoption of Ethics Ordinance

Councilman Self moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6264. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill, as adopted, shall become Ordinance Number 6264, establishing a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interest for certain municipal officials.

1st Reading, Bill #6265, Statement of Candidacy – When Filed

Councilman Leible moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6265. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams Absent, and Turnbow Aye, thereby being passed.

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6265 amending Chapter 107, Article II – Elections, Section 107.050 – Statement of Candidacy-When Filed, of the City Code of the City of Sikeston, Missouri.

1st Reading, Bill #6267, Establishing City Purchasing Agent

Councilman Self moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6267. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout and the following vote recorded:

Baker Absent, Leible Aye, Robison Aye, Self Aye, Teachout Aye,
Williams **Absent**, and Turnbow **Aye**, thereby being passed.

City Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6267 and shall amend Chapter 145, Purchasing Policy, within the City of Sikeston, Missouri.

**Consent to Assignment of Sublease at 130/134 Industrial Drive (walk-on item)**

In May 1967, the City leased certain ground now known as 130/134 Industrial Drive to the Sikeston Industrial Development Company (SIDC) for a 99-year term ending May 2066. The intent of the lease was to allow SIDC to sublease the property for economic development purposes, while still protecting the adjacent airport property and airspace. In June 1967, the SIDC entered into a 99-year sublease with Lowry Tims and John D. Stacey. That sublease has been re-assigned numerous times over the years, most recently to Robert Meyer, Donald Pratt and Marian Pratt in 1989. The Pratts now desire to sell the building improvements and leasehold interest to Sam Thomas, and Mr. Thomas has requested that the City consent to the re-assignment of the sublease from the Pratts to him. Also, Mr. Thomas has requested to negotiate a new long-term lease directly between him and the City of Sikeston.

Councilman Self moved to consent to assign the sublease at 130/134 Industrial Drive to Sam Thomas and also to negotiate a new long-term lease directly with Mr. Thomas. The motion was seconded by Councilman Teachout, discussed and the following vote recorded:


**Other Items:**

Mayor Turnbow recognized this week as Police and Public Works Week.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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


APPROVED:

GREG TURNBOW, MAYOR

ATTEST:

RHONDA COUNCIL, CITY CLERK

SEAL: