

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**NOVEMBER 20, 2020**

The Sikeston City Council meeting of November 20, 2020 was called to order at noon via Zoom Video Conferencing. Present at the meeting via video were: Mayor Steven Burch and Councilmembers Brian Self, Ryan Merideth, Gerald Settles, Brandon Sparks, Karen Evans and Onethia Williams. Staff via Zoom Video Conferencing were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Tabatha Thurman, City Clerk Rhonda Council, Finance Director Karen Bailey, and Director of Public Safety James McMillen.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of emergency Bill Number 6214. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Sparks Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, Evans Aye,  
Williams Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This emergency bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6214, calling for a primary election in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, on Tuesday, February 2, 2021, for the purpose of nominating two (2) candidates for the position of Councilman Ward 2.

Councilwoman Evans moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6214. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sparks and the following vote recorded:

Sparks Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, Evans Aye,  
Williams Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for a second reading.

BILL Number 6214

ORDINANCE Number 6214

THIS EMERGENCY BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6214, CALLING FOR A PRIMARY ELECTION IN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2021, FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING TWO (2) CANDIDATES FOR THE POSITION OF COUNCILMAN-WARD 2.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION I: This ordinance shall not be codified.

SECTION II: That in accordance with the Missouri Comprehensive Election Laws of the State of Missouri, applicable Missouri Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri and the ordinances of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, a Primary Election shall be held and the same is hereby ordered to be held on Tuesday, February 2, 2021.

SECTION III: That the polls be open for said election continuously from six o' clock in the forenoon until seven o'clock in the afternoon of that day, February 2, 2021.

SECTION IV: That said election be held in the City of Sikeston, Missouri, in the polling places and precincts designated by the County Clerk.

SECTION V: That said election is hereby called for the purpose of nominating two (2) candidates for the office of Councilman-Ward 2 pursuant to the City Charter adopted April 02, 2002.

SECTION VI: That the Judges and Clerks of said election shall be those appointed by the County Clerk.

SECTION VII: That the City Clerk shall cause notice, poll books, ballots, and all other matters necessary to the election to be requested from the County Clerk's office as required by law.

SECTION VIII: That the City Clerk of the City of Sikeston, Missouri, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to notify the County Clerk of Scott County, Missouri, of the adoption of this ordinance no later than November 24, 2020, and to include in said notification all the terms and provisions required by the Comprehensive Election Act of 1986, as amended, and the above cited Statutes and ordinances.

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

SECTION X: 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 XI: Emergency Ordinance. The City Council finds that an emergency exists since the last day to file for Ward 2 City Councilman was November 17, 2020, and the County Clerks are to be notified by November 24, 2020, in compliance with RSMO 115.

SECTION XII: Record of Passage.

- A. Bill Number 6214 was introduced to Council and read the first time this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.
- B. Bill Number 6214 was read the second time and discussed this 20<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020. Following discussion, Councilman Merideth moved to approve Bill Number 6214. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans, discussed and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Sparks Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, Evans Aye,  
Williams Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

- C. Ordinance 6214 shall be in full force and effect from and after November 20, 2020.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Sparks Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, Evans Aye,  
Williams Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

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STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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RHONDA COUNCIL, CITY CLERK

SEAL: