REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 14, 2020

The Sikeston City Council meeting of December 14, 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, and Onethia Williams. Councilwoman Karen Evans was absent. Staff present via Zoom Video Conferencing were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Tabatha Thurman, City Clerk Rhonda Council, Finance Director Karen Bailey, Director of Public Safety James McMillen, Street Superintendent Brian Dial and Community Development Manager Lorenzo Ware. Also in attendance were New Madrid County Commissioners and Sikeston Regional Chamber President Mike Marshall.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1st & 2nd Reading, Emergency Bill #6215, Purchase of 10.67 Acres and Donation of 33.19 Acres of Property at the Intersection of South Ingram & Highway 60 (Scott Matthews)

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of emergency Bill Number 6215. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sparks and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This emergency bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6215, authorizing the City of Sikeston, Missouri to enter into a certain real estate contract with Elizabeth Matthews Brunt Revocable Trust dated December 19, 2012 and Robert Scott Matthews, Jr. Revocable Trust dated August 15, 1997.

Councilman Self moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6215. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

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

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for a second reading.

BILL Number 6215

ORDINANCE Number 6215


WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable to purchase from the ELIZABETH MATTHEWS BRUNT REVOCABLE TRUST DATED DECEMBER 19, 2012 AND ROBERT SCOTT MATTHEWS JR. REVOCABLE TRUST DATED AUGUST 15, 1997, certain property descriptions attached here to as Exhibit A, Exhibit B, and Exhibit C, for road improvement purposes and to approve the execution of certain documents herein.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:
SECTION I: Authorization of Documents. The City is hereby authorized to enter into the following documents (the “City Documents”), in substantially the form presented to the City Council and attached to this Ordinance, with such changes therein as are approved by the officials of the City executing the documents, such officials’ signatures thereon being conclusive evidence of their approval thereof:

(a) Contract for Sale of Real Estate.

SECTION II: Execution of Documents. Upon the transfer of all funds necessary and proper to comply with the terms of the contract and associated closing documents by the City of Sikeston, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the City Documents and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance, for and on behalf of and as the act and deed of the City. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to and affix the seal of the City to the City Documents and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION III. Further Authority. The City shall, and the officials, agents and employees of the City are hereby authorized to, take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance and to carry out, comply with and perform the duties of the City with respect to the City Documents.

SECTION IV. Emergency Ordinance. The City Council finds that an emergency exists within the meaning of Article III, Section 312(f) of the City Charter, because a 30 day delay in the closing may jeopardize the intended use of the property.

SECTION V: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6215 was introduced to Council and read the first time this 14th day of December, 2020.

B. Bill Number 6215 was read the second time and discussed this 14th day of December, 2020. Following discussion, Councilman Settles moved to approve Bill Number 6215. The motion was seconded by Councilman Sparks, discussed and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

C. Ordinance 6215 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Accept Contribution from New Madrid County and Authorize Mayor to Sign Letter of Agreement

The City of Sikeston is purchasing approximately 10.67 acres of land on the north side of Highway 60, just east of Wing Elementary, for the purpose of constructing a freeway interchange between Highway 60 (Future I-57) and South Ingram Road. New Madrid County has offered to contribute $100,000 toward the total purchase price of $750,000.

The City also seeks authorization for the mayor to sign a Letter of Agreement, by which the City agrees that if at any time we sell all or a portion of the property, the City will remit a proportionate amount (2/13) of the proceeds of the sale to New Madrid County.
Councilman Sparks moved to accept the contribution from New Madrid County in the amount of $100,000 and authorize the Mayor to sign the Letter of Agreement. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

1st & 2nd Reading, Emergency Bill #6216, Authorization to Enter Into a Real Estate Contract with Boyer Leasing, Inc. for Acceptance of Property Donation

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of emergency Bill Number 6216. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Williams and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for reading. This emergency bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6216, authorizing the City of Sikeston, Missouri to enter into a certain real estate contract with Boyer Leasing, Inc. in order to accept a property donation to the City of Sikeston, Missouri.

Councilman Sparks moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6216. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following vote recorded:

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

Counselor Thurman presented the bill for a second reading.

BILL Number 6216

ORDINANCE Number 6216

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A CERTAIN REAL ESTATE CONTRACT WITH BOYER LEASING INC IN ORDER TO ACCEPT A PROPERTY DONATION TO THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable to receive as a donation from BOYER LEASING INC., certain property descriptions attached hereto as Exhibit A, for road improvement purposes and to approve the execution of certain real estate documents herein.

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

SECTION I: Authorization of Documents. The City is hereby authorized to enter into the following documents (the “City Documents”), in substantially the form presented to the City Council, with such changes therein as are approved by the officials of the City executing the documents, such officials’ signatures thereon being conclusive evidence of their approval thereof:

(a) REAL ESTATE DONATION DOCUMENTS

SECTION II: Execution of Documents. Upon the transfer of all funds necessary and proper to comply with the terms of the contract and associated closing documents by the City of Sikeston, the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute the City Documents and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the
intent of this Ordinance, for and on behalf of and as the act and deed of the City. The City Clerk is hereby authorized to attest to and affix the seal of the City to the City Documents and such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance.

SECTION III. Further Authority. The City shall, and the officials, agents and employees of the City are hereby authorized to, take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Ordinance and to carry out, comply with and perform the duties of the City with respect to the City Documents.

SECTION IV. Emergency Ordinance. The City Council finds that an emergency exists within the meaning of Article III, Section 312(f) of the City Charter, because a 30 day delay in the closing may jeopardize the intended use of the property.

SECTION V: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6216 was introduced to Council and read the first time this 14th day of December, 2020.

B. Bill Number 6216 was read the second time and discussed this 14th day of December, 2020. Following discussion, Councilman Sparks moved to approve Bill Number 6216. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles, discussed and the following roll call vote was recorded:

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

C. Ordinance 6216 shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

Other Items

New Madrid County presented the City of Sikeston with a check in the amount of $108,000 as reimbursement money through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act Relief Fund.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Sparks Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, Evans Absent, 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: