The regular Sikeston City Council meeting of March 7, 2016 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 Steven Burch and Councilmen Bob Depro, Karen Evans, Jon Gilmore, Maude Harris, Ryan Merideth, and Gerald Settles. Staff in attendance were: City Manager Jonathan Douglass, City Counselor Chuck Leible, City Clerk Carroll Couch, City Treasurer Karen Bailey, Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes, Public Safety Director Drew Juden, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Economic Development Director Ed Dust, Parks Director Dustin Care, Street Supervisor Darren Martin and Senior Building Official Collin Cecil.

APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City Council minutes of January 25, February 1, February 18, and February 29, 2016 were presented for approval. Councilman Depro moved to approve the minutes as presented. Councilman Evans seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded:

Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Merideth Aye,
Settles Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MINUTES

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

Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Merideth Aye,
Settles Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Strategic Plan Implementation Commission Long-Term Strategic Plan Update

John Bob Wilson, Strategic Plan Implementation Commission Chairman, reviewed the “Vision for Tomorrow” Long Term Strategic Plan, providing an update on the status of the plan’s implementation and recommended needed changes.

Second Reading of Bill Number 6012, Amending City Code Title III, Chapter 300, Schedule III, Table III-A Stop Locations, Authorizing the Installation of Stop Signs on E. Gladys at S. Prairie

Councilman Depro moved for the second reading of Bill Number 6012. The motion was seconded by Councilman Evans and the following vote recorded:

Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Merideth Aye,
Settles Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading.
BILL NUMBER 6012

ORDINANCE NUMBER 6012

THIS BILL AS APPROVED SHALL BECOME ORDINANCE NUMBER 6012 AND SHALL AMEND TITLE III, CHAPTER 300, SCHEDULE III, TABLE III-A OF THE UNIFORM TRAFFIC CODE ESTABLISHING ADDITIONAL TRAFFIC CONTROL MEASURES WITHIN THE CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI.

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

SECTION I: This ordinance shall be codified in the City Municipal Code.

SECTION II: The Traffic Committee did meet on January 13, 2016, and pursuant to a vote recommended the installation of stop signs at the intersection of East Gladys and South Prairie to create a four-way stop.

SECTION III: Title III, Chapter 300, Schedule III, Table III-A-Stop Locations; shall be amended to include as follows:

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

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

SECTION VI: Record of Passage:

A. Bill Number 6012 was introduced and read the first time this 29th day of February, 2016.

B. Bill Number 6012 was read the second time and discussed on this 2nd day of March, 2016. Councilman Gilmore moved to approve Bill Number 6012. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harris and the following roll call vote recorded:

Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

C. Ordinance 6012 shall be in full force and effect from and after April 2, 2016.

Rail Trail Master Plan RFP

City Manager Jonathan Douglass reported the City had acquired the rights to the former Union Pacific Railroad corridor along Malone Avenue from Route BB east to approximately St. George Lane/Route 541 in Miner. To prepare for future development of a recreational trail along the
former railroad, staff recommends engaging an architectural or engineering firm to create a master plan for the trail. The master plan would be a conceptual plan of the proposed trail showing the trail alignment, trailhead locations, street crossings, linkages to other trails/parks/sidewalks/commercial centers, other recommended features and amenities, signage, landscaping safety features, etc. In addition to street crossing locations it would also recommend conceptual design treatments for facilitating safe crossings by trail users. The master plan would also identify potential construction phases so the project could be tackled one section at a time as funding allows.

Having a master plan in place will allow the city to apply for construction grants in the future, and it will assist the city when requests are made by adjacent properties to encroach onto the rail corridor. The FY2016 budget contains $15,000 in the Essex Fund for this master planning project.

Councilman Depro moved to authorize the issuance of an RFP for Rail Trail Master Planning Services. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gilmore and the following roll call vote recorded:

- Depro Aye
- Evans Aye
- Gilmore Aye
- Harris Aye
- Merideth Aye
- Settles Aye
- Burch Aye

Therefore being passed.

**Briefing on TIF Infrastructure Project**

Public Works Director Jay Lancaster reviewed the progress on the infrastructure improvements for the new TIF District containing the Malco Theater. He forecasted an increase of costs above the original estimate of $73,760. He requested the City Council authorize the additional costs so that work could proceed on the project.

Councilman Depro moved to continue the project with the changes requested, totaling $73,760. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harris and the following roll call vote recorded:

- Depro Aye
- Evans Aye
- Gilmore Aye
- Harris Aye
- Merideth Aye
- Settles Aye
- Burch Aye

Therefore being passed.

**First Reading of Bill Number 6013, Re-adoption of Fair Housing Policy**

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6013. The motion was seconded by Councilman Evans and the following vote recorded:

- Depro Aye
- Evans Aye
- Gilmore Aye
- Harris Aye
- Merideth Aye
- Settles Aye
- Burch Aye

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6013, providing 'Fair Housing' for the City of Sikeston, Missouri, defining discriminatory housing practices, and creating a Fair Housing Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Depro moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles and the following roll call vote was recorded:
Depro Aye, Evans Aye, Gilmore Aye, Harris Aye, Merideth Aye, Settles Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

APPROVED:

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STEVEN BURCH, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CARROLL L. COUCH, CITY CLERK

SEAL: