CALL TO ORDER/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The special Sikeston City Council meeting of October 26, 2015 was called to order at 11:30 a.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 Works Director Jay Lancaster, Economic Development Director Ed Dust, Parks Director Jiggs Moore, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, Park Supervisor Chris Hart, Senior Building Official Collin Cecil, and Public Safety Captain Rick Rapert.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Briefing: Health Insurance Renewal Update

City Treasurer Karen Bailey and Deke Lape of Mitchell Insurance reviewed the renewal quote from HealthSCOPE Benefits for employee health insurance. Modifications in benefits were discussed and will be submitted to HealthSCOPE for premium impact. Final adjustment will be presented at the November 1 city council meeting.

Award Bid 16-9, Block-Laying for Recreation Complex Bathrooms Construction Project

Park Director Jiggs Moore reported only one bid was received for the labor to lay concrete blocks for two restrooms in the Recreation Complex. Quertermous Masonry has successfully completed other work for the Park Division. The project will be slightly under budget.

Councilman Depro moved to award Bid 16-9 to Quertermous Masonry in the amount of $20,465. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

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

House of Refuge Application for Funding

Governmental Services Director Linda Lowes advised that the House of Refuge for Abused and Battered Women submitted an application for funding in the amount of $6,500 to be paid during calendar year 2016. Their application met all municipal requirements.

Councilman Gilmore moved to authorize the payment of $6,500 in Municipal Court Domestic Violence Shelter during calendar year 2016. The motion was seconded by Councilman Evans 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.
Bill Number 6001, Amending Municipal Code 130.680, DED Executive Board Composition

Councilman Depro moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6001. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harris 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 Bill Number 6001 for a first reading. This bill as approved shall become Ordinance Number 6001 and shall amend Section 130.680 of Title 1, Article VIII Board of Economic Development of the Sikeston City Code.

Employee Recognition Agreement

City Manager Douglass reviewed the Employee Recognition Agreement with the City Council. The agreement recognizes IBEW, Local 702 as the bargaining unit representative for Department of Public Works skilled workers.

Councilman Depro moved to approve the proposed contract between the City of Sikeston and IBEW, Local 702. The motion was seconded by Councilman Evans 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.

Other Items

John Graham commented on the proposed capital improvement sales tax.

ADJOURNMENT INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Depro moved to adjourn into executive session for the discussion of litigation, and property [RSMO 610.021 (1, 2)]. 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, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

No action was taken in executive session.

ADJOURNMENT OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Settles moved to adjourn from executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro 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.
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the City Council, Councilman Harris moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Depro 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: