CALL TO ORDER/RECORD OF ATTENDANCE

The special Sikeston City Council meeting of May 22, 2017 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 Karen Evans, Ryan Merideth, Brian Self, Gerald Settles, and Mary White-Ross. Councilman Jon Gilmore was absent. 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, Director of Public Safety Mike Williams, Public Works Director Jay Lancaster, Parks Director Dustin Care, Street Superintendent Brian Dial, Street Supervisor Darren Martin, Senior Building Official Collin Cecil.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Authorize Staff to Negotiate Contract with Sonny’s Solid Waste

Staff reviewed the RFP for residential solid waste and recycling. Councilman Self moved to authorize staff to negotiate the solid waste contract with Sonny’s Solid Waste. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles, discussed and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Authorization to Negotiate a Contract with Waters Engineering

Four firms submitted letters of interest and qualifications for phase one of the Rail to Trail project. The Professional Consulting Committee recommended awarding the contract to Waters Engineering who partnered with Gateway Design of St. Louis.

Councilwoman White-Ross moved for staff to negotiate a contract with Waters Engineering, contingent upon MoDOT approval. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Assignment of Hangar Ground Lease

Jeff Hux has entered into a purchase agreement for the airport hangar currently owned by Debbie and Ron Nichols. In addition, Mr. Hux would like to negotiate a new lease with the City. Councilman Settles moved to approve assignment of the Lease as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.
Award Bid Number 17-29, Bobcat Attachments

Bids received for Bobcat attachments for mowing, stump grinding, and asphalt milling were reviewed. Councilman Merideth moved to award Bid Number 17-29 to Forklifts of Cape, in the amount of $25,798.50. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Evans and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Award Bid #17-28, Electric Mosquito Fogger

Bids received for an electric mosquito fogger were reviewed. Councilman Settles moved to award Bid Number 17-28 for an electric mosquito fogger to Univar USA in the amount of $8,400. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Councilman Settles moved to award Bid #17-17 to Sentinel Emergency Solutions for $355,788.86. The motion was seconded by Councilman Merideth and the following roll call vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Commercial Insurance Renewal Quote

Renewal premiums for the City's commercial insurance were reviewed. Councilman Merideth moved to authorize the payment to Newton and Co. LLC in the amount of $387,968. The motion was seconded by Councilman Evans and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Interim Appointment to BMU Commission

Councilman Merideth nominated Bob Smith to fill the unexpired term of Jeff Sutton on the BMU Commission. The nomination was seconded by Councilman Settles and there being no further nominations, the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Library Board of Trustees Appointments

Councilman Evans nominated Lisa Lawson and Susan Chitwood to second terms on the Library Board of Trustees and Carolyn Harris to a first term. The nominations were seconded by Councilwoman Mary White-Ross and there being no further nominations, the following vote recorded:
Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Bill Number 6059, FY2017 Budget Amendment

Councilman Merideth moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6059. The motion was seconded by Councilman Settles and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as adopted shall become an emergency Ordinance Number 6059 and shall amend Ordinance Number 6025, the FY-17 Budget.

Bill Number 6060, Adopting Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2018

Councilman Merideth moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6060. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following vote recorded:

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross Aye, and Burch Aye, thereby being passed.

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as adopted shall become emergency Ordinance Number 6060, and shall be referred to as “The FY-2018 Budget” (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018), it shall repeal Ordinance 6025, Being the “FY-2017 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.

Bill Number 6061, Establishing Staffing and Compensation Levels for FY-18

Councilman Settles moved for the first reading of Bill Number 6061. The motion was seconded by Councilman Self and the following vote recorded:

Counselor Leible presented the bill for reading. This bill as adopted shall become emergency Ordinance Number 6061 and shall repeal Ordinance Number 6026 being the FY-17 Compensation Plan and Employee Staffing Levels, and the administration thereof for Fiscal year 2018 (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018).

Other Items

In other business Lynn Lancaster, Director of Historic Downtown Sikeston, invited Council to the June 8 Chamber Mixer being held at Historic Downtown Sikeston Office, 215 N. New Madrid. Lancaster also requested funds for the power-washing, tuck-pointing and sealing of their building which is currently leased from the City.

City Clerk Carroll Couch reported that all financial commitments associated with the DPS, Chamber and Withers Broadcasting property exchange have now been fulfilled.
ADJOURNMENT

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

Evans Aye, Merideth Aye, Self Aye, Settles Aye, White-Ross 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: