

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

December 20, 2021

Call to order: A meeting of the Council was held on December 20, 2021, in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 215 Chester Ave. Mayor Pro-tem, Randy Morse called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following council members were present: Heather Ingvalson, Kenneth Page, Victor Phillips, Jack Howard, Cody Page, and Mike Rhymer.

Absent: Mayor, Norman Brant and Councilman Gary Spinks

Also, Present: City Attorney Frank Siebert, City Administrator Mike Dudek, Fire Chief Shawn Jackson and Park Director Skylar Cobb.

Absent: Dustin Whitworth Public Works Director and Larry Rutherford Police Chief.

Prayer and Pledge: Prayer led by Ben Harrison from the Assembly of God Church, and Pledge was led by Mayor Pro-tem, Randy Morse.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: from December 6, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from December 6, 2021, made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Cody Page. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$38,034.03 was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Public Forum:

Allen Wells, from St. Francis County E911, along with Terry Cole and Jim Glueck Scott County Commissioners came before the Council to discuss Virtual Consolidation and consolidation of E911 dispatch centers. They gave a few different scenarios. They also need three or four names to put on the 911 board they are starting up. This board will be appointed for the first year and then elected members if the E911 tax passes.

Mayor Pro-tem asked the presiding commissioner, Jimmie Glueck if he had anything to add to the discussion. Jimmie Glueck stated we need to get on the same page. He mentioned something about slander on social media and that our Mayor Norman Brant was a liar. He used foul language about our Mayor and Council. He was very disrespectful. Mayor Pro-tem shut him down and told him he can not speak like this about our Mayor, Council and town.

After much discussion, Mayor Pro-tem thanked Allen Wells, Terry Cole and Jim Glueck for coming to the meeting with their information and answering questions. Allen Wells left his phone number 573-631-5551 and email: awells@sfc911.net.

New Business:

Bill # 1254 Ordinance 1263 an ordinance certifying election results of November 2, 2021, special election. Motion for the first reading was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; motion for second reading was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Motion to accept Bill #1254 Ordinance #1263 was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. **Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Cody Page-AYE.**

Bill # 1255 Ordinance 1264 an ordinance amending section 415.020 of the Scott City code relating to the historical preservation. Motion for the first reading was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; motion for second reading was made by Councilman Kenny Page. Motion to accept Bill #1255 Ordinance #1264 was made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. **Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Cody Page-AYE.**

Bill # 1256 Ordinance 1265 an ordinance waiving the bid requirements for purchase of specialty items or contract services under limited circumstances. Motion for the first reading was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; motion for second reading was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Motion to accept Bill #1256 Ordinance #1265 was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. **Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Cody Page-AYE.**

Resolution #625 ratifying termination of prior contract for fire protection and first responder services to the Village of Kelso and authorizing the City of Scott City to enter into a new contract with the Village of Kelso for fire protection and first responder services. Motion to accept Resolution #625 made by Councilman Kenny Page; seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Resolution #626 ratifying communication equipment agreement. Motion to accept Resolution #626 made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Report:

- Mayor Pro-tem, Randy Morse asked for a motion to accept Councilman Gary Spinks resignation. Councilman Kenny Page made the motion to accept Councilman Gary Spinks resignation, Councilman Cody Page seconded. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

City Administrator, Mike Dudek:

- Audit done this past week. Patrick will be here December 28, 2021, to discuss his findings and then he will also come to a Council meeting. Patrick had mentioned the city needs to reduce

some of the spending especially General Revenue. A few journal entries will be needed. All in all, the city is very financially sound.

- Working on more grants: AFG Fire Grant and Recycle Grant through Bootheel with Skylar's help.
- 2020-2021 grants awarded is \$786,000.00 so far. This does not include Covid, ARPA or Debt Bond money.
- Sign up for April Election ends December 28,2021
- Wish all a Merry Christmas.

City Attorney, Frank Siebert:

Department Reports:

Randy Morse, Admin/Finance: Nothing to report

Police Chief, Larry Rutherford: absent

Victor Phillips, Police: Nothing to report

Shawn Jackson, Fire Chief:

- Fire Department has broken their record with 959 Fire calls for 2021
- Councilman V. Phillips asked about mutual aid with Cape Girardeau. Shawn briefly explained our mutual aid with Cape Girardeau.

Kenny Page, Fire: Nothing to report

Skylar Cobb, Park Director:

- Everything is in his report. Councilman Victor Phillips asked for a calendar update on the next report.
- Councilman Mike Rhymer asked if Missouri Conservation had gotten back on a date for next year's field day.
- Skylar is working on an archery grant due mid-January.

Heather Ingvalson, Parks: Nothing to report

Dustin Whitworth, Public Works Director: Absent

Mike Rhymer, Public Works: John Reeves has resigned.

Jack Howard, Planning, and grants:

- Planning meeting for 5–10-year plan the week of January 10, 2022.

Closed Session:

Motion to go into closed session for personnel was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer.

Roll Call Vote: J. Howard-Aye; K. Page-AYE; V. Phillips-AYE; C. Page-AYE; H. Ingvalson-AYE; M. Rhymer-AYE.

AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 Motion Carried. Went into closed session at 8:20 pm.

Re-Open Session:

Motion to go into open session was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson.

Roll Call Vote: J. Howard-Aye; K. Page-AYE; V. Phillips-AYE; C. Page-AYE; H. Ingvalson; M. Rhymer-AYE.

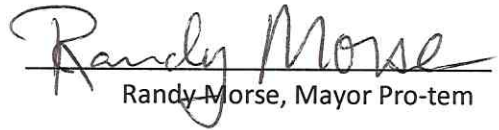
AYES: 6 NAYS: 0 Motion Carried. Went into open session at 8:40 pm.

No further business being presented, moved by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips to adjourn at 8:40 pm. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Attest:



Tina Blattel, Asst. City Clerk



Randy Morse, Mayor Pro-tem