JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2018

CALL TO ORDER
The regular meeting for the Joplin City Council was called to order at 6:00 p.m.by Mayor Michael Seibert.

INVOCATION - read by City Clerk Barbara Gollhofer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE to the United States of America was led by Mr. Shaw.

ROLL CALL – Answering Roll Call were Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Dan McCreary, Michael Seibert, Gary Shaw; Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Jim West. Also in attendance were City Manager Sam Anselm and City Attorney Peter Edwards. Absent: Miranda Lewis. Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. West to excuse Mrs. Lewis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0.

PRESENTATIONS
Becky Zimmerman, a consultant with Design Workshop in Aspen, CO, presented the final report and recommendations to the city council on the Independent Tourism Study. Her recommendations were to improve visitor experiences, increase the number of visitors, capture visitor spending and emphasize results-driven tourism marketing. She highly recommended developing a conference center with a hotel that will bring the most number of people to Joplin on a consistent basis, and it has an opportunity to benefit all of the hotel properties and the restaurants and the retail markets, which will spread the economic impact through all of Joplin's business sectors. At the end of the presentation, the city council decided to implement the Next Steps as outlined by Ms. Zimmerman. Next Steps: the CVB should decide which recommendations are priorities and discuss with City Council; collect visitor data, undertake identity and branding study and increase lodging tax for new conference facility. Mr. Stinnett asked that a timeline be established to include periodic updates from CVB Director Patrick Tuttle to keep the council updated and informed of the progress and direction of the next steps.

FINALIZATION OF CONSENT AGENDA –There being no further business to come before the Council, the Consent Agenda was finalized.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND PETITIONS
Jabbar Wesley, 3025 SE Clover Drive, Lee Summit, MO, introduced himself as the Government Affairs contact for Spire, a natural gas distribution company that is made up of several natural gas company acquisitions. Mr. Wesley stated Joplin is part of his territory and offered his services to Joplin as part of his representation to this area.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

CONSENT AGENDA
Minutes of the March 5, 2018 Council Meeting

RESOLUTIONS

ORDINANCES – EMERGENCY
Mr. Stinnett introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-110 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with the Kansas City Southern Railway Company for the storm drainage improvements under the railroad within the railroad right of way and located 430 feet south of 12th Street and associated with Storm Water Project #12; and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stinnett, second by Mr. Stanley that Council Bill No. 2018-110 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-035.**

Mr. West introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-111 - AN ORDINANCE approving the City of Joplin to enter into an agreement with Dalton-Killinger Construction Company for the construction of the Surface Project 4006, in the amount of Three Million, Seven Hundred Fifty-Three Thousand, Eight Hundred Twenty-Two and 09/100 Dollars ($3,753,822.09); and authorizing the City Manager or his designee to execute the same by and on behalf of the City of Joplin; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mr. Stanley that Council Bill No. 2018-111 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-036.**

Mr. West introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-353 -AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Nelson Enterprises for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 312 N. Schifferdecker Avenue in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Three Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine and 00/100 Dollars ($3,999.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. West, second by Mrs. Colbert-Kean that Council Bill No. 2018-353 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-037.**

Mr. Brown introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-354 - AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Nelson Enterprises for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 1109 S. Indiana Ave. in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Nine and 00/100 Dollars ($3,199.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Brown, second by Mr. Stanley that Council Bill No. 2018-354 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-037.**

Mr. Stanley introduced COUNCIL BILL NO. 2018-355 - AN ORDINANCE approving the contract by and between the City of Joplin and Nelson Enterprises for the demolition of the structure(s) and clearing of lot area located at 2004 N. Park in the City of Joplin, Missouri, for Two Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Nine and 00/100 Dollars ($2,499.00); providing how the cost thereof shall be paid; how the assessment thereof shall be made; and containing an emergency clause. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Shaw that Council Bill No. 2018-355 be approved on an emergency basis. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1. The Council Bill was declared adopted and entitled **Ordinance No. 2018-038.**

Ordinances – First Reading

Ordinances – Second Reading and Third Reading

Unfinished Business

New Business
Mr. Stanley introduced Case 009-18: 1813 W. 20th Street - A request to Review the Site Plan for Proposed Mini-Storage Units from Countryside Self Storage**.** Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Stinnett to approve the Site Plan. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

Boards and Commissions Reappointments and New Appointment
Motion by Mr. Shaw, second by Mr. Stinnett to approve the following reappointments:
City Tree Board: Lauren Copple
Building Board of Appeals: William Tylle

The following new appointments were made:
Joplin Redevelopment Corporation: Lindsay Taggart
Building Board of Appeals: Rylee Hartwell

News from Public Information officer, Lynn Onstot:
Joplin Parks and Rec Department has added a twist to the traditional egg hunt… hunting in the DARK! Children ages 3-10 are invited to the Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt this Saturday, March 24. Over 10,000 eggs will be scattered on four softball fields at the Joplin Athletic Complex with different ages hunting on different fields. Children will need to bring a flashlight and container to collect eggs. There is a $3 per child entry fee and pre-registration is required by Thursday, March 22. The Department has also partnered with the Joplin Association for the Blind to add another hunt that Blind, Visually Impaired and Handicapped children ages 3-10 can join the fun. The hunt will feature "beeper eggs" along with candy and toy filled eggs. This hunt is free for those eligible to register, with the Association covering the registration fee.

Parks and Rec have hit an all-time high with their soccer registration – but there's still room for your child to join the Youth Developmental Soccer program. Kids are grouped according to their age, with teams playing a 6-game regular season schedule. Cost is $40, and players receive a mesh jersey, shorts, socks and soccer ball. Deadline is Tuesday, March 20. Parks & Rec is also looking for volunteer coaches to help with the program. To register for either of these activities, please call the Parks & Rec office at 625-4750 or visit www.joplinparks.org.

Just a reminder – Joplin will be 145 years YOUNG on Friday, March 23. As part of this year's Birthday Celebration for Joplin, we're inviting the public to tell us what they like about Joplin. Or they can post on the City's Facebook page or contact me at lonstot@joplinmo.org .We'll gather all the entries and reveal them at the City's Birthday party at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 23. Event attendance is not required to submit your compliment!

Mayor Seibert announced that Jeff Neal, Chief Executive Manager of Neal Group Construction will be honored by the Missouri Preservation Group on Thursday, March 22 at the State Capitol in Jefferson MO. Jeff and his wife, Carolina, will receive the McReynolds Award for their work on over 100 projects dealing with historic preservation, since 2004.

Vote to go into closed session, which shall pertain to the hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee or particular employees of a governmental body involving personal information as set forth in Section 610.021(3) RSMo, as amended, 2016, more specifically for the purpose of evaluating certain Council employees. This meeting, record, and vote to be closed to the extent provided by law. The City Council shall adjourn at the end of the session. Motion by Mr. Stanley, second by Mr. Shaw to go into closed session. Voting in favor were Council Members: Brown, Colbert-Kean, McCreary, Seibert, Shaw, Stanley, Stinnett, and West, 8. Nays:0. Absent: Lewis, 1.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Respectfully,

Barbara J. Gollhofer, City Clerk, MRCC