JOPLIN CITY COUNCIL
INFORMAL MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2018
602 S. MAIN ST.
JOPLIN MO 64801

Mayor Shaw called the June 18, 2018 Informal Meeting of the Joplin City Council to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance were Council Members: Taylor Brown, Melodee Colbert-Kean, Anthony Monteleone, Diane Reid Adams, Mayor Gary Shaw, Ryan Stanley, Phil Stinnett, and Jim West. Absent: Doug Lawson.

2017 Annual Fire Department Report, presented by Fire Chief Jim Furgerson

Chief Furgerson reviewed the 2017 annual report with the city council. The topics he discussed were the departments mission and vision; quick facts; the organizational chart, which showed a vacancy for an EMS Training Chief; Operations Division; Response Analysis; Prevention Division; Training Division; Emergency Management; Staffing; and Challenges.

Mrs. Reid Adams asked about the color coding of the fire hydrants. Chief Furgerson explained the color code system.

Discussion on the Future of the former Senior Citizen building

City Manager Anselm stated both the old and new senior citizen buildings are insured. Operations have not been moved to the new building yet, but when that's completed the city can have a discussion on what to do with the vacant building. Director Bolander informed Mr. Anselm earlier that someone had expressed an interest in the old senior citizen building. The city has not identified a use for the building so the intent is to declare it as surplus and list it for sale.
Mr. West asked Mr. Anselm if he had an idea of the value of the building. Mr. Anselm replied the city has not gotten that far yet. There are some water, roof and heat and air issues.
Mr. Stanley asked if there were any other proposed uses other than selling it. Mr. Anselm replied that the city is not interested in adding additional buildings to their inventory, the cost of maintenance and upkeep is burdensome. After discussion, Mr. Stanley made a motion to begin the process to declare the old senior citizen building excess property. The motion was seconded by Mr. West. Motion passed with 8 in favor and one absent (Lawson).

Other Business

Mr. West asked about the status of the Howsmon Building. Sam replied there is no report or information back yet from the engineer from Kansas City. He stated he would keep the council updated on this issue.

Mayor Shaw thanked Council Woman Reid Adams for her report from her recent attendance at the MML Newly Elected Officials conference June 7-8, 2018.

Submitted,

Barbara Gollhofer, City Clerk