

REQUESTS FROM THE FLOOR

Bill Fenton addressed the council regarding rental property fees. He already pays taxes but why should he have to pay a fee? Onus on property owners who take care of their property.

Karen Hale addressed the council stating it is not just rental property that needs attention, are you going to charge property owners a fee as well?

Cam Donoghue of One Source Contracting addressed the council about paying an outstanding bill for wall repair.

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REPORTS

Public Improvement Committee meeting of April 25 2016.

Motion: To approve staying any pursuit of demolition permits concerning the Old Depot

Motion by Alderman McComb

Second by Alderman Hughes

Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried.

Motion: To approve the agreement with Immanuel Lutheran School to connect to the City Fiber network.

Motion by Alderman McComb

Second by Alderman Pierson

Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried.

Alderman McComb stated negotiations to finish trade of holding area property for our property has been completed. Mr. Kennedy will be donating that piece of property and not trading for any of the city's properties.

Mrs. Kennedy is asking \$15,000 for the property across from Public Works. We will hold on this for the present.

Budget and Finance Committee meeting of April 25, 2016

Motion: To approve paying accounts payable register #630 through April 25, 2016.

Motion by Alderman Bratton
McComb

Second by Alderman

Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion carried.

Building and Grounds Committee meeting of April 25, 2016.

No action taken. Attorney Heller gave an update on the Ameren agreement received which was outdated and have requested an updated agreement.

Mr. Joe Fry with the Park District discussed the MYRC building. He stated that the city had agreed to do some roof repair work on the loading dock area and pay the bill. The loading dock area is the city's exclusively and MYRC is not involved in the use of that area. Additionally there are other roof repairs. The Park District thought we were doing the roof repair and paying for it prior to their tenancy, not that they had to pay one half of the bill. It was determined we would discuss when we get the bill. They also request that if we do repairs to the building and if they have to pay they want to know so they can plan for it. Council thinks this is a reasonable request.

Community Relations Committee meeting of April 25, 2016.

No action taken.

Public Safety Committee meeting of April 25, 2016.

Motion: To approve the payment of \$380 to Kimberly Siefert and close the case discussed.

Motion by Alderman McComb Seconded by Hughes
Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Public Works Committee Meeting of April 25 2016.

Motion: To approve the change order requests in the amount of \$84,603.45 for the wastewater treatment plant project.

Motion by Alderman McComb Seconded by Alderman Bratton
Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the grease trap routine maintenance and inspection.

Motion by Alderman McComb Seconded by Alderman Campos
Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Darrin Mills informed the council that to replace the sidewalk to repair the Habitat for Humanity property would require sidewalk replacement for all three properties at a cost of \$2,000 for the 175 feet.

Personnel Committee meeting of March 28, 2016.

No action taken.

MAYOR'S REPORT

There is an invitation in your packets for the Southern Illinois Economic Development Conference for June 14, 2016.

Mayor Stephens announced the following:

1. Farmers Market is every Saturday from 8-12 p.m.
2. Brews Brothers Taproom block party is the 1st Friday of each month
3. Cruise Night is the 1st Saturday of each month
4. Relay for Life is Friday, June 3rd at Riverside Park at 6 pm.

Mayor Stephens addressed Mr. Donoghue and the issue with the retaining wall on Lucier Street. Mayor Stephens stated that the Jackson County Trustee is talking about a fund for maintenance of properties owned by the Jackson County Trustee. Mayor Stephens stated he was informed that the city could not pay the bill as a public entity but he thought a solution would be to work without a salary until the \$11,000 bill is washed out. Attorney Heller stated that he could not. The city cannot pay for the improvement of private property. Attorney Heller stated that if the wall was built to correct a problem it is their obligation to pay bill.

Alderman Bratton inquired if alderman do not attend the meetings do we still pay, can we remove? There was a discussion about residing in the house; the alderman in question has been seen coming and going from the property.

ALDERMEN ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS

Barb Hughes	Nothing
Herb Voss	Nothing
Gary McComb	Are we advertising for Clean-Up Day? Sandra indicated there are fliers out and it is on our sign, etc.
Bill Pierson	Nothing
Danny Bratton	Sewer plant mark-up rate-any information? SPIN-how did the silent auction go? He was informed that attendance was poor and they maybe cleared couple thousand.
John Erbes	Nothing
Gloria Campos	.Nothing
Tom Ridings	Nothing

DEPARTMENT HEAD ANNOUNCEMENTS/REQUESTS

Ed Heller	Nothing
Sandra Ripley	Happy to help with registration for SIED if anyone plans on attending.
Bill Center	Nothing

Steven Swafford	Fire department starting a preplan survey program project
Brian Brewer	Nothing
Eric Kennedy	Nothing
Tim Lee	Nothing
Brian Manwaring	Nothing
Ron Manwaring	Nothing
Darrin Mills	Nothing
Jim Stewart	.Nothing

Motion: To adjourn

Motion by Alderman Bratton

Second by Alderman Hughes

Mayor Stephens called for a voice vote. All were in favor.

Motion Carried

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.