

Trenton, Missouri
December 7, 2020

The Mayor and City Council met in special open session, Monday, December 7, 2020 at City Hall at 7:30 p.m. The following officers and members were present: Mayor Linda Crooks-via audio conferencing; Council members Glen Briggs, Kevin Klinginsmith-via audio conferencing, Danny Brewer, Marvin Humphreys-via video conferencing, Cathie Smith, David Mlika, Duane Urich-via audio conferencing and John Dolan-via audio conferencing; City Attorney, Tara Walker-via audio conferencing; City Administrator, Ron Urton; Police Chief, Rex Ross and City Clerk, Cindy Simpson-via video conferencing.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND PRAYER

At this time, the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A prayer followed the pledge.

MINUTES

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that the minutes of November 23, 2020 be approved. Motion carried.

BILLS

Motion by Councilmember Brewer second by Councilmember Briggs that all duly obligated bills for the City be paid. Motion carried.

REPORTS

A report was given by City Administrator Urton.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held concerning repairs to Muddy Creek at 28th street and the river jetty. The County is helping with some of the Muddy creek repairs \$49,510.00 and the city's share is \$45,510.00. The City will be responsible for all the river jetty which is \$181,350.00.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Mlika to accept the bid from BRS Construction for repairs to the river jetty and muddy creek at 28th street. The total cost for the City is \$226,860.00 and the county will pay \$49,510.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Mlika second by Councilmember Brewer to accept the low bid for transformers from B & B Transformers for \$30,175.00. Motion carried.

BILL NO. 51

Motion by Councilmember Smith second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 51 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI IMPOSING A USE TAX FOR GENERAL REVENUE PURPOSES AT THE RATE OF TWO AND SIX HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSANDTHS PERCENT FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF STORING, USING OR CONSUMING WITHIN THE CITY ANY ARTICLE OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY AND SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTIONS 144.600 THROUGH 144.761 RSMo; PROVIDING FOR THE USE TAX TO BE REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED IN THE SAME AMOUNT AS ANY CITY SALES TAX IS REPEALED, REDUCED OR RAISED; AND PROVIDING FOR SUBMISSION OF THE PROPOSAL TO THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF THE CITY FOR THEIR APPROVAL AT THE GENERAL ELECTION CALLED AND TO BE HELD IN THE CITY ON APRIL 6, 2021, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Smith second by Councilmember Briggs that Bill No. 51 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 51 was made available for public inspection prior to this meeting by being posted at City Hall on December 4, 2020. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Brewer, Humphreys-via video conferencing, Smith, Mlika, Urich-via audio conferencing, Dolan-via audio conferencing, Briggs, and Klinginsmith-via audio conferencing. Said bill was declared duly passed, numbered Ordinance No. 2020-51, signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk.

BILL NO. 52

Motion by Councilmember Smith second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 52 be introduced, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TRENTON, MISSOURI ESTABLISHING A REQUIREMENT FOR FACE COVERINGS TO CONTROL AND REDUCE THE SPREAD OF COVID-19, which was read. Motion by Councilmember Smith second by Councilmember Mlika that Bill No. 52 be passed to the second reading placed upon final passage and voted on. Discussion was held. Motion carried. A copy of Bill No. 52 was made available for public inspection prior to this meeting by being posted at City Hall on December 4, 2020. The following vote was taken. Ayes: Smith, Dolan-via video conferencing and Briggs. Nays: Humphreys-via video conferencing, Mlika, Urich-via video conferencing, Klinginsmith-via video conferencing and Brewer. Said bill failed to pass.

Motion by Councilmember Smith second by Councilmember Mlika to go to closed session at 8:13 p.m. for legal in accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (1). The following vote was taken. Ayes: Smith, Mlika, Urich-via video conferencing, Dolan-via video conferencing, Briggs, Klinginsmith-via video conferencing, Brewer and Humphreys-via video conferencing.

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Closed session minutes are on file at City Hall.

Motion by Councilmember Briggs second by Councilmember Brewer meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Crooks
Mayor

Cindy Simpson
City Clerk



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Dear City of Trenton,

As you are aware, COVID-19 positive cases in Missouri, and here locally, have reached an all-time high and the number of cases continues to grow at an accelerated rate. It is important now, more than ever, that our Trenton and Grundy County residents wear masks and socially distance from others in public. For that reason, the Wright Memorial Hospital Board of Directors fully supports and encourages a mask mandate for area residents.

The rising number of cases and hospitalizations not only affects the availability of beds, but significantly increases the strain on hospital staff. Kansas City metro hospitals have reached max capacity and Wright Memorial Hospital wants to prevent the same from happening here. Our area is not isolated from what is already happening in Kansas City. We've struggled to arrange transfers for some of our critical patients because the metro area hospitals are full, and the numbers just keep getting higher. We must do our part right here in Grundy County to help alleviate the strain on the health care system.

The hospital is optimistic a COVID-19 vaccine will be available in the coming weeks/months and it will be effective at slowing the spread of the virus. But until more is known, we must take immediate action by wearing masks and socially distancing in public, and by encouraging others to do the same. It's not just about protecting ourselves, it's about protecting those around us.

The Wright Memorial Hospital Board believes a mask mandate is truly in the best interest of our community.

Sincerely,

Tom Witten
Board Chair, Wright Memorial Hospital Board of Directors

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