

SAVANNAH CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014
CLASBEY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Connie George presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council Members present: Don Dillman, John Parker, and Greg Wilson. Joy Thompson was absent. Mayor Connie George, City Administrator Bruce Lundy, City Attorney Emily Bauman, Chief of Police David Vincent and City Clerk/Treasurer Beth Kar were present. The meeting notice was posted at City Hall on November 14, 2014. The meeting was audio recorded.

Approval of Agenda – Greg Wilson motioned to approve the agenda as posted. Don Dillman seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Minutes – November 3, 2014 – Greg Wilson motioned to approve the minutes. John Parker seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Public Testimony

Erin Allen, Midland GIS – City Administrator Bruce Lundy reported that he met with Wastewater Superintendent Jason Long, Kirk Larson of Midland GIS and TREKK. There is a grant to help look for and correct sewer problems. Since Larson is on the Planning & Zoning Commission, he felt it was more appropriate for another member of Midland to speak. Erin Allen, Midland GIS, reported that on the last proposal the sewer mapping was \$35,000. They waived some fees and the new proposal is \$28,000 with an annual maintenance cost of \$3,600. Allen described the system for internet based website which includes different access and covers updates to the system. TREKK is helping with the grant application. The first step is to have Midland GIS provide the maps. Once the City is approved for the grant, the company can come in and do the repairs. Jason Long was present and detailed how this will be more accurate mapping than the City currently has. It includes GPS coordinates which makes it easier to find the manholes, also. The mapping includes more data because Midland has a five point inspection when they lift the manhole lids. Director of Public Works Kenny Lance asked if the City didn't have the manholes mapped previously. Erin Allen explained that when the City did it before, it was with lower accuracy grade versus lifting up lids and more detailed reports. With the new system, the Wastewater department can start to track historically any problems in the sewer system. John Parker asked if it would help with the runoff water. It could help. Parker asked where the money would come from for the project. The City will be receiving money from the Centurylink lawsuit: approximately \$40,000. John Parker motioned to proceed with Midland GIS and the sewer grant, amend the budget to take the expense out of wastewater and to add the Centurylink revenues to replenish that fund. Don Dillman seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes. The ordinance will be on the next meeting with both first and second readings.

Request for Liquor License, Jesse Garcia, Taco & Tequila, 302 N. Hwy 71 -- Taco and Tequila is going in where Goochie Goo had been. They are renovating and putting in new booths and bathrooms. Taco and Tequila requests a liquor license for 5% Beer by drink with Sunday Sales. They hope for a late December/January opening. John Park motioned to approve the request. Greg Wilson seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Police Chief's Report – Chief of Police David Vincent reported that last Monday the area police departments continued going through the schools. Officer Dalsing and Officer Green led with Savannah Police Department, Village of Country Club and Andrew County Sheriff's Departments. The police went through Savannah Middle School and provided safety tips. Later they went through John Glenn Elementary. The police received lots of compliments from school personnel. Vincent and City Administrator Bruce Lundy attended the MIRMA police training which was on holding cells and custody training. The In-car video system from MIRMA has been installed in Officer Zeigler's vehicle. Vincent was thankful to Council for helping keep the police equipment a step ahead. Don Dillman motioned to approve the report. John Parker seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

City Administrator's report – City Administrator Bruce Lundy reported:

1. **Golf** – Ellen Bolger has resigned from the Golf Committee. Darla Millsap has submitted an application to take her place. Mrs. Millsap and her husband have been members of the Course for a long time. Don Dillman motioned to approve resignation of Ellen Bolger and approve Darla Millsap. Greg Wilson seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.
2. **MIRMA Training** – Chief Vincent and Lundy attended a MIRMA training last Wednesday in Columbia. They learned about in custody deaths and how to spot someone who is suicidal or ill and how to protect ourselves from liability if someone would die while in our custody.
3. **MPO meeting** – Director of Public Works Kenny Lance attended the MPO technical meeting at 10:30 on Thursday. Lundy attended the MPO coordinating committee meeting at noon the same day. They talked about 2015 plans which included Cook road extension and what to do with the deteriorating 229 bridges.
4. **Water plant demo** – Lundy sent out letters to the companies that did not get the bid. He spoke to Madget and they put together a contract for the old water plant demolition. Madget has 120 days to complete the project after approval from the state.
5. **Candle Light walk** – The walk is coming up on November 29th. The City will pick up Mayor Connie George's Christmas tree this week and will be decorating it so it can be lit that night.
6. **BeWell Chiropractic**- Dr Becky Wells had her grand opening and Birthday Party last Thursday. The Chamber was there and did the ribbon cutting. Building Inspector Mike Malhiwsky is waiting on the counter top for her receptionist desk and after that it will be done. It looks great.
7. **Dinner** – Don't forget that the City employee Thanksgiving Dinner is coming up on Tuesday, November 18th, at the Clasbey Kitchen.
8. **School Meeting** – Lundy has been asked by the Savannah School District to attend a work session on Tuesday evening to review and develop the Strategic Priorities for the district.
9. **Sheriff's request for water discount**– Council discussed the request for water discount from the Sheriff's Department on the Jail. It appears it costs about \$6 to make 1,000 gallons of water without taking into account infrastructure and administrative costs (painting the tower \$140,000, hauling of sludge \$130,000, salaries, cleaning wells, repairing or replacing lines and other costs including debt). Lundy looked up the old Jail water account and they used about

1,000 gallons per day. The new jail use averages about 4,500 gallons per day. We charge \$21.79 for the first 1,000 then \$12.79 for each 1,000 after that. Their average bill is about \$1800 per month or \$21,600 per year. At 100%, this would cost us approximately \$21,600 per year, at 75% it would cost us \$16,200, at 50% it would cost us \$10,800 per year, at 25% it would cost us \$5,400, at 20% it would cost us \$4,320 per year, at 15% it would cost us \$3,240, at 10% it would cost us \$2,160. The Sheriff's department receives 100% of the law enforcement tax that is paid by the residents of this city. Records show that is about \$470,000. The majority of that likely comes from Savannah residents. Don Dillman asked about Tionna Pooler and water costs. Pooler did not have a figure without more research. There are too many other not-for-profit organizations, so where would the discounts stop? If the City provided a discount, then it would have to raise rates to make up the difference. Council agreed to deny the request for water discount from the Jail.

Don Dillman motioned to approve the report. Greg Wilson seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

City Attorney's report -- City Attorney Emily Bauman reported she had court last week. There were a lot of no shows so a lot of warrants went out. She has been working on a trial so the vacation ordinance will be on the next agenda for a first and second reading. She posted on the attorneys' listserv for language on non-conforming uses on trailers. She received good feedback on language, court opinions and briefings. The City will need to publish a public hearing notice once the ordinance is ready because it is a zoning change. She is preparing for the move to Savannah in her new office. She has met with the landlord, scheduled a few interns and is picking up furniture. Greg Wilson motioned to approve the report. Don Dillman seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

BILLS FOR CONSIDERATION:

Bill 2014-28 2015 Election was read for the second reading.

ORDINANCE: 2655

This ordinance authorizes election for April 2015 for Mayor and Alderman from East and West Wards for Two Year Term. John Parker motioned to adopt ordinance 2655. Don Dillman seconded. Vote: Dillman: aye; Wilson: aye; Parker: aye; Thompson: absent. Motion carried.

Bill 2014-29 Amend Sewer Inspection. Director of Public Works, Kenny Lance, reported this ordinance was for Missouri One Call requirements on sewer on right of way. Greg Wilson asked to add both readings to meet the requirements.

ORDINANCE: 2656

Greg Wilson motioned to adopt ordinance no. 2656. John Parker seconded. Vote: Wilson: aye; Parker: aye; Dillman: aye; Thompson: absent. Motion carried.

Bill 2014-30 Authorizing contract with Madget for the demolition of the old water plant was read for first and second readings.

ORDINANCE: 2657

This ordinance authorizes the contract with Madget for the demolition of the old water plant. Don Dillman motioned to adopt ordinance no. 2657. John Parker seconded. Vote: Parker: aye; Dillman: aye; Wilson: aye; Thompson: absent. Motion carried.

Bill 2014-31 Authorizing contract with Coral Lighting for LED lights was read for first and second readings. Tom Alley, Coral Lighting, was present for any questions.

ORDINANCE: 2658

This ordinance authorizes a contract with Coral Lighting to replace the lights in City facilities with LED lighting. Greg Wilson motioned to adopt ordinance no. 2658. John Parker seconded. Vote: Dillman: aye; Wilson: aye; Parker: aye; Thompson: absent. Motion carried.

Second Public Testimony: None.

ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION

Mayor's Report – Mayor Connie George offered sympathies to Council Member Joy Thompson and family on the loss of Joy's mother. George thanked Schweizer's for the donation of the Mayor's tree. She received a notice that the light at the Girl Scout cabin was out. City Administrator Bruce Lundy had called in an outage awhile ago.

Council Members Discussion

John Parker asked Tom Alley, Coral Lighting, if he could add sensors to the outside Clasbey Center lights so they would come on automatically at night. Alley would see if that was possible.

Adjournment

No further business to discuss. Council adjourned at 7:46 p.m. on a motion by John Parker and seconded by Greg Wilson. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Connie George, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Beth Kar, City Clerk