

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

July 24, 2018

A Work Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 6:00 p.m. this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2018 in the Aldermanic Chambers of City Hall for the transaction of such business that may come before the Board.

Present:

Mayor .....Sam Scherer  
Alderman ..... Mike Travaglini  
Alderman..... Keith Peters  
Alderman..... Greg Lauter  
Alderwoman.....Chris Gorman  
Alderman .....Elmer Kauffmann  
Alderman.....Rich Steingrubby

Also Present:

Director of Administration ... . . . . Jonathan D. Greever  
Street Superintendent .....Tony Wagner  
Police Chief..... Jeff Keller  
Fire Chief..... Chris Amenn  
City Clerk.....Kathy Marlock  
City Attorney .....Mike Darning

Absent:

Director of Parks and Recreation..... Chris Buck

**Roll Call**

Mayor Scherer opened the meeting and City Clerk Kathy Marlock commenced with the roll call. all Board members were present for the transacting of City Council business.

**Minutes**

Mayor Scherer introduced the minutes for July 10, 2018 and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Travaglini made the motion to approve the minutes; this was seconded by Alderwoman Gorman and the motion carried unanimously.

**Hear the Citizens**

None

**Informational Update**

Mayor Scherer then invited Chief Jeff Keller to share this informational update with the Board of Aldermen. Chief Keller noted that his unit was recently authorized to assign an officer in his department to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Task Force. The review process has concluded; Jeff confirmed the assignment with Mayor Scherer and the officer will begin his duties July 30, 2018.

Further, Chief Keller noted he received authorization to hire Zachery King to fill the vacancy created by the DEA Task Force assignment.

## **Ordinances**

### **Bill No. 2943 – Missouri Securities Investment Program**

First Reading, Second Reading, Consideration for Passage

#### AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO THE MISSOURI SECURITIES INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The Mayor then introduced Bill No. 2940 related to the Missouri Securities Investment Program (MoSIP). He called for a discussion and any further questions following the discussions occurring in previous meetings of the Board. Alderman Kauffmann asked if Director Oettle had predictive power in anticipating the return on investment (ROI). She stated that she did not. Following this, the Mayor called for additional discussion. There being none, the Mayor called for a motion to approve. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for the first reading by title only, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman. City Attorney Mike Daming conducted the reading. The Mayor then asked for any further discussion. There being no discussion the Mayor called for the second reading of Bill Number 2943, by Title Only. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for a second reading by Title only which was seconded by Alderwoman Gorman. City Attorney Mike Daming conducted the second reading. The Mayor then called for passage of the bill. Alderman Travaglini made the motion for passage, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman. The motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Travaglini, “aye,” Alderwoman Gorman, “aye,” Alderman Peters, “aye,” Alderman Lauter, “aye,” Alderman Kauffmann, “aye,” and Alderman Steingrubby, “aye.”

Following standards of law, Bill No. 2943 became Ordinance No. 2930.

### **Resolution 2018-03 – Police Department Adoption of the St. Louis Area Police Chief Association’s (SLAPCA) Best Practices Agreement**

The Mayor then invited Chief Jeff Keller to address Resolution 2018-03 pertaining to the SLAPCA Best Practices Agreement. Jeff noted that this pertained to the Municipal League of Greater St. Louis invoice received at City Hall. City Clerk Marlock commented that the adoption of the resolution was a new requirement by the Municipal League, for the annual renewal of membership for all member cities.

The Mayor then read the title of the resolution:

THE CITY OF SHREWSBURY POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN ACCREDITED BY CALEA AND, THEREFORE, BY ASSOCIATION, ADOPTS THE ST. LOUIS AREA POLICE CHIEF’S ASSOCIATION’S (SLAPCA), “LAW ENFORCEMENT BEST PRACTICES AGREEMENT.”

Mayor Scherer called for a motion to approve. Alderman Mike Travaglini made the motion to approve Resolution 2018-03; Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

## **Discussion / Administrative Warrants**

Mayor Scherer then introduced the discussion topic of a draft ordinance pertaining to *Administrative Warrants*. Director Greever, of the Administration Department, joined by Chief Jeff Keller, of the Police Department, noted that this type of ordinance was being introduced to address circumstances in which the Police Department is called to a residential address with a reason to want to enter the home, based upon some prior knowledge of a violation of City Code. Presently, Chief Keller noted, the officer has to ask permission to enter the home. If permission is not granted, then the officer is not allowed any opportunity to conduct additional research or investigation, given the nature of private property.

Director Greever then noted that this ordinance, supporting Administrative Search Warrants, requires that the City of Shrewsbury Municipal Judge review the available evidence in the possession of any officer who suspects impropriety at a particular location in the City of Shrewsbury. He further emphasized that it is only with the Judge's approval of a local search that one would be allowed or permitted to be conducted.

Alderman Travaglini asked, "How many municipalities in St. Louis County, out of the 90 in existence, have such an ordinance?" He said based upon the conversation, as it stands, he is simply uneasy with the idea of a hasty ordinance approval process. He emphasized that his question is for the future well-being of the City, since no one knows who will preside 10 years into the future, for instance. City Attorney Mike Daming said that there are a few municipalities that have passed such an ordinance. Alderman Travaglini then summarized and commented, "With only 2-3% of the total number of municipalities, I think gathering additional information is a worthwhile use of time."

Alderman Kauffmann asked, "How will we know that there is no bias in the Judge's review of Police Department evidence that might reflect a conflict of interest?" Alderman Kauffmann clarified that it would be a Shrewsbury resident's home that is being reviewed by the Shrewsbury Municipal Judge. Mayor Scherer said that the approval process is analogous to the review of a resident's speeding ticket, for instance. Mayor Scherer further stated, "If there is any risk associated with a local judge reviewing a local case, the level of risk does not differ due to the topic under consideration." Alderman Travaglini then commented, "I would like the City to do more research on other municipalities that have approved an Administrative Warrant ordinance." The Mayor concluded the discussion saying that he and Director Greever will review additional ordinance examples and will bring the results to the Board.

## **Hear Citizens**

None

## **Old Business**

None

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**New Business**

Mayor Scherer called for any new business to come before the Board. Directory Tony Wagner, Department of Public Works, announced that the Chip Sealing process will be on August 1, 2 and 3, 2018. He indicated that he may not need the entire three days but is setting them aside as a priority in the event all are needed. The streets to be impacted are:

- Brunswick Avenue, 7300 Block and 7500 Block
- Nottingham, 7300 block to 7500 block.
- Also, 4800 block of Laurella, including Brinkop Park, parking lot.
- Kenridge Lane, 7800 block.
- Garden Ave., 7700 and 7800 block.

City Clerk Marlock noted that the message about this street improvement project was sent out via citywide email and was posted in three public places at City Hall as well as shared on the City of Shrewsbury website.

**Closed Session**

The Mayor then noted the need for a Closed Session. Alderman Mike Travaglini made the motion for a Closed Session and read the Closed Session notice in full; this was seconded by Alderman Kauffmann and approved by a roll call vote recorded as follows: Alderman Travaglini, “aye,” Alderwoman Gorman, “aye,” Alderman Peters, “aye,” Alderman Lauter, “aye,” Alderman Kauffmann, “aye,” and Alderman Steingrubby, “aye.”

**The meeting then continued as a Closed Session at 6:32 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Kathryn (Kathy) Marlock  
City Clerk

ATTEST:

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Sam Scherer  
Mayor