

CITY OF SHREWSBURY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
December 8, 2015

A Regular Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 7:00 p.m. this 8th day of December, 2015 in the Aldermanic Chambers of City Hall for the transaction of such business that may come before the Board.

There were present:

Mayor Felicity Buckley
Alderman Elmer Kauffmann
Alderman Mike Travaglini
Alderman Chris Gorman
Alderman Sam Scherer
Alderman Ed Kopff
Alderman Rick Steingrubby

There were also present:

City Attorney Michael Daming
Director of Administration Jonathan D. Greever
Director of Finance Danielle Oettle
Street Superintendent Tony Wagner
Police Chief Jeff Keller
City Clerk Mónica Llorián

Roll Call

Mayor Buckley opened the meeting and City Clerk Llorián commenced with the roll call. The entire Board was present.

Public Hearing – FY 2016 Budget

Mayor Buckley opened the public hearing. Mr. Ted Dewald of 7248 Murdoch Avenue addressed the Board. He stated he has not seen a police car patrol his street. He stated that with the increase in crime and break-ins in the City that the City of Shrewsbury not continue budget for policing the Village of Mackenzie. Mr. Kent Barnett of 7268 Murdoch Avenue approached the Board. He stated that if the police department is spread so thin that it cannot handle all the crime in Shrewsbury, the City should not be taking care of Mackenzie.

There being no other residents approaching the Board to discuss the proposed FY 2016 Budget, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to close the public hearing. Alderman Kauffmann seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Bills

Mayor Buckley introduced the bills submitted for payment, quickly reviewed each, and asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the bills submitted for payment. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and they were unanimously approved.

Hear Citizens

Mr. Kent Barnett of 7268 Murdoch Avenue addressed his concern with the rash of break-ins in the City. He stated that vehicles have been stolen on his block. He added he thinks the police is spread to thin and wants something done about all the recent crime.

Mr. Ted DeWald of 7248 Murdoch Avenue stated that he does lock his vehicle and that the rear gate of his home was opened and someone had gone through his car. He stated that he had never seen a police officer patrol his street. He concluded that if the Shrewsbury police cannot manage all the recent crime that Shrewsbury should merge with St. Louis County.

Alderwoman Gorman stated that all the recent crime is not specific to Shrewsbury and that other communities are also getting hit with the rash of crimes.

Mayor Buckley recommends to the residents that they keep their cars locked, remove any valuables from their vehicles and to leave front porch lights to discourage thieves from attempting to steal items and cars. She added that Shrewsbury achieves a high level of safety being CALEA accredited and that it was ranked the twelfth safest city in Missouri. She concluded that Mr. Barnett's suggestion of a neighborhood watch is good idea.

Ordinances**(Bill No. 2842)**

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2842, a bill adopting minimum salary ranges to be paid to policemen, firemen, administrative and general employees of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri and repealing all ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provision of this ordinance. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gorman, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Scherer, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Scherer made a motion that Bill No. 2842 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2831. Alderman Kopff seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2842 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2830.

(Bill No. 2843)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2843, a bill approving the 2016 budget of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri appropriating from the revenue and reserves of the City funds therefore and providing for the adjustments thereof. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by

Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion that Bill No. 2843 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2832. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2843 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2832.

(Bill No. 2844)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2844, a bill authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with the Village of Mackenzie to continue providing police services to said village for a term beginning on January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gorman, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderwoman Gorman, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderwoman Gorman made a motion that Bill No. 2844 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2833. Alderman Scherer, seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2844 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2833.

(Bill No. 2845)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 284, a bill authorizing the Mayor to annual renewal of the lease dated March 1, 2008 between the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri Improvement Corporation and the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri for the tenancy of the Shrewsbury City Center by the City. . She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion that Bill No. 2845 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2834. Alderman Kopff seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2845 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2834.

(Bill No. 2846)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2846, a bill authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contract for professional services with Assured Partners of Missouri, LLC for the provision of securing, negotiating and procuring the placement of property and liability insurance coverages for the City and to assist the City in the preparation of any and all applications, underwriting data and other information required by an insurer(s) for the purpose of issuing and insurance policy(ies) in the State of Missouri. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Kauffmann, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Kauffmann, seconded by Alderman Scherer, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Kauffmann made a motion that Bill No. 2846 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2835. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2846 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2835.

(Bill No. 2847)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2847, a bill authorizing the Mayor to enter into an annual services agreement with the Rejis Commission for the provision of information technology support services for a one year term beginning January 1st, 2016 as providing for within the agreement. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Scherer, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Scherer, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Scherer made a motion that Bill No. 2847 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2836. Alderman Kopff seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2847 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2836.

(Bill No. 2848)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2844, a bill authorizing an agreement with Rubin Brown for the provision of auditing services for the fiscal years 2015, 2016, and 2017. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Kauffmann, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Kauffmann, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Kauffmann made a motion that Bill No. 2848 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2837. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was

recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2848 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2837.

(Bill No. 2849)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2844, a bill amending the fiscal year 2015 budget of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri appropriating from the revenue and reserves of the City funds therefore and providing for adjustments thereof. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the first time. She opened the floor for discussion, and there being none, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderman Kopff, and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only for the second time. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for final discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion that Bill No. 2849 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2838. Alderman Kopff seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; and Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2849 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2838.

Department Head Reports

Director of Administration Greever stated he is serving on the Afton TIF Commission and will be meeting January 6th, 2016. He stated the public hearing on the TIF will January 28th, 2016. He stated he will send email reminders of the public hearing. Director Greever stated that one of the Building & Housing Clerk resigned and the department is in the process of hiring a replacement. He concluded that STP grant is undergoing some adjustments on the Weil Avenue project.

Superintendent Wagner presented his written report. Mayor Buckley asked when the re-surfacing on the 7200 block of Murdoch Avenue will occur. Superintendent Wagener stated is it slated to be re-surfaced in 2017. He added that he will be doing some patch work in that block but that the street need to be milled and place regular asphalt. Alderman Scherer asked if that portion of Murdoch belongs to Shrewsbury. Superintendent Wagner said yes.

Chief Keller presented his written report. He stated that St. Michael's school started the DARE program and asked to make a changes to program for the second semester and teach more life skills. He stated the Police officer standard of training will be revamped with new challenges. Chief Keller stated that citizen academy with Webster Grove will begin in its six (6) week program in January. He stated that on November 23rd there was a public hearing to speak with the residents of the recent break-ins. Chief Keller mentioned that a resident spotted an individual looking in a car and never bothered to call the police. She stated that there will never be a stop of crime completely. He added that the police use different strategies and do different things to try to prevent crime and break-ins. He added that when they have made arrests, those arrested tell the police they know the region and go to neighborhoods that are easy to break-n and where cars are left unlocked. He stated that even with the rash of crime in the City it is far less than in surrounding communities. He added that the information in the safe city report comes from the uniform crime report that is sent to the FBI.

Alderman Travaglini asked if the statistics that were given at the November 23rd public hearing showed that crime had gone down in some cases. Chief Keller stated that it comes in spurts. He added that the cases of cars being raffled though has gone up and that this was the case a number of years ago. He stated that the police are on patrol and that along with car break-ins there have been some traffic related incidents

Alderman Travaglini asked what is the effect of the citizen academy and if that promotes citizen watches. Chief Keller stated it academy goes over patrol tactics and addresses any concerns the citizens have during the training session.

Alderman Travaglini addressed the audience stating that the Board loves this community as much as they do and that is why they serve on this board. He stated that the Board is just a concerned as it residents and he feels that police department is doing a good job in trying to keep crime down.

Mayor Buckley added that the recent rash of crime is not unique to Shrewsbury and that it does come in spurts. Chief Keller stated that cars were being broken in during the day and it was a group that was attacking recreational areas where there is a lot of people going in and out of the recreational facility.

Mayor Buckley added that time is of the essence. Chief Keller concluded that if you see suspicious activity to call the police and report it immediately.

Finance Director Oettle stated they are working with year-end programs such as enrollments. She will be sending out the November financials and begin to work on year-end accruals and audit prep work.

Park Director Buck stated that the park board met last week and will be working on mainstreaming the trash receptacles picnic tables, benches and signage to make things look more uniformed. He stated this would be a phased process as it would be too expensive to do all at once. He stated this be done over several months. He added that this Saturday was the holiday bizarre. He concluded that the winter parks brochure is out.

Mayor Buckley asked if a city wide email was sent out about the bizarre. Director Buck said he believed so and that it was also posted on the park's Facebook page.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Buckley pointed out the pictures on canvas from the city's centennial. She added that one of our police officer's, Chuck Kraus, was on the "Wheel of Fortune" program. She stated that Shrewsbury had its first tree lighting in front of the police department and it was coordinated by three (3) residents. She stated these residents want to do this annually and have bigger and better ideas for next year. Mayor Buckley asked for a moment of silence to reflect on things that occurred this year. She added that even though some are not thrilled with the opening of Wal-Mart, that this has been one of the best budget years in a long time. Mayor Buckley concluded by wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Amend the Agenda

Mayor Buckley opened the floor to amend the agenda to reopen hear citizens. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the meeting time change. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

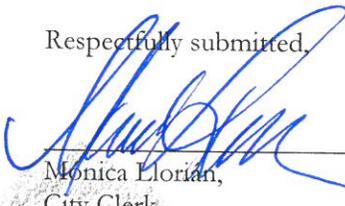
Hear Citizens

Mr. Dewald & Barnett addressed the Board again, discussing more of the same topics they had previously discussed regarding policing in the City.

Adjournment

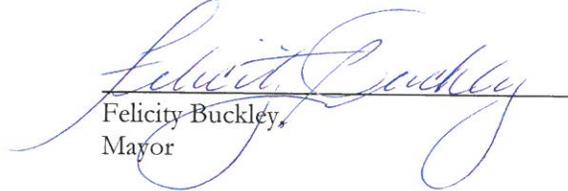
Alderman Travaglini made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Alderman Kauffmann seconded the motion, it passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Monica Elorian,
City Clerk

ATTEST:



Felicity Buckley,
Mayor