

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
March 10, 2015**

A Regular Session of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 7:00 p.m. this 10th day of March, 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
Alderwoman	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
Parks Director.....	Chris Buck
Street Superintendent.....	Tony Wagner
Fire Chief.....	Bill Fox
Police Chief.....	Jeff Keller
Building/Licensing Clerk.....	Monica Llorian

Roll Call

Mayor Buckley opened the meeting and Ms. Llorian commenced with the roll call. The entire Board was present.

Alderman Kauffmann asked for a moment of silence for Captain Jack Deathridge, who had worked for the Shrewsbury Fire Department and also for Officer Frank Nelson, who was a Shrewsbury police officer and resident for many years.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Buckley introduced the minutes for the February 17, 2015 work session and opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve the minutes. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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

Steve Loher of 7410 Devonshire approached the Board as a member of the Webster Groves School District to present their annual report. He stated that there were a lot of students, and space was getting tight, so they are in the process of presenting Proposition S and Proposition W, which would be of interest to those Shrewsbury residents who live in the Webster Groves School District. He stated that Proposition S was a \$0.65 tax levy, of which \$0.49 would go to salary and benefits in an effort to attract the best possible teachers and to pay them at or above the county median and to keep the class sizes small. He stated that \$0.05 would go to the operating fund to provide free full-day kindergarten, as they are one of only two districts in the county that charges for afternoon kindergarten, which they would like to eliminate. He stated that would also go to increasing technology and providing preschool scholarships to low-income families.

Mr. Loher stated that Proposition W was a \$28 million bond issue, most of which would be directed at adding on to the Hixson area, in an effort to bring the sixth grade to that building. He also said it would impact Moss Field, which had not been touched since it was built approximately 70 years earlier. He stated that they would like to change Stevier from a sixth grade building into a full-sized elementary and alleviate some of the current over-crowding issues.

Dee Weicher of 5322 Kenrick View Dr. approached the Board and asked on behalf of her grandchildren if there were any plans to repair Brinkop Park. Mayor Buckley stated that they were looking into the insurance issues surrounding that and how to move forward.

Ms. Weicher stated that she had noticed that there was an ordinance on the agenda that was to have a first and second reading during the meeting, and she requested that they explain what the previous qualifications for alderman were and how they would be changed. Mayor Buckley stated that it was to bring the Shrewsbury Code in sync with the state statute, as the State had lowered the age limit from 21 to 18.

Sign Permits

Dr. Eric Appelgren with St. Anthony's approached the Board and stated that Warren Signs had been working with their re-branding around the area, and that there was no signage at Southwest Medical Center that designated it as St. Anthony's, which confused some of the elderly patients. Bill Barren with Warren Sign explained the situation and location of the sign in question. Alderman Travaglini asked if the sign would move, or if it would be stationary. Dr. Appelgren answered that it's a high-definition video board. Mr. Greever stated that the application had been reviewed by staff, and there were no objections. A motion was made by Alderman Travaglini to approve the sign permit for Warren Signs at 7345 Watson Road. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

John Schiller with Media Sign approached the Board and presented their proposal for a sign on the Dierbergs building for the new Great Clips. Mayor Buckley asked if it was consistent with the current signage on the building, and Mr. Schiller answered that it was. Mr. Greever stated that there were no staff concerns with the sign. A motion was made by Alderman Travaglini to approve the sign permit for Media Signs for 7233 Watson Road. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Liquor Licenses

Mayor Buckley presented the liquor license applications for St. Michael's – an annual license for the sale of beer and wine only, a temporary license for the sale of all kinds of liquor by the drink for the auction on May 2, 2015, and three temporary licenses for the sale of beer and wine only for the picnic June 1, and the soccer tournament August 5 and 12, 2015. A motion to approve all of the St. Michael's liquor licenses was made by Alderman Scherer. Alderman Steingrubby seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously with Alderman Kopff abstaining from the vote as the person applying for St. Michael's.

Truck Bed Trade-In – Public Works Department

Street Superintendent Tony Wagner stated that during the bid opening for the 2015 pick-up truck, each bidder offered to allow the City \$700 trade-in on the pick-up bed, but he felt that they could get more than that for it. He stated that the company building the truck showed interest, and since they are building the truck and since Mr. Wagner knows that the cost of a new snow plow is around \$5,400, he made them an offer of \$3,000 plus the pick-up bed for a new snow plow. He stated that they were willing to work with that. He stated that this deal is why he did not go out to bid for the snow plow, and that it would leave the City with a surplus of \$7,000. He stated that he would like to have the bed lined to increase its longevity, which would cost around \$500, and would still leave a surplus of over \$6,000. He requested that the Board waive the bid procedures in order to get the best deal on the plow.

Alderman Kauffmann asked Mr. Wagner what he planned on having the new bed lined with. Mr. Wagner answered it would be the same spray-in liner that all of the trucks have. Alderman Kauffmann made a motion to waive the bid requirements and approve the purchase and trade-in. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Ordinances

(Bill No. 2817)

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2817, a bill updating the alderman age qualifications to bring them in line with state statutes. 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. Mayor Buckley opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion, 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. 2817 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2805. 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. 2815 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2805.

Discussion

Mayor Buckley stated that at the next work session, they would be discussing a trash can ordinance relating to when they should be moved in and out and where they should be stored. Alderman Travaglini stated that his subdivision has some regulations and he would bring a copy of that to the next meeting. Alderman Kauffmann stated that there were some problems with getting the bins behind the property line because there were some strange, small lots. Mayor Buckley asked the Board to drive around and look at the issue and think about what they would like to do about it.

Mayor Buckley stated that there would be a new firearm ordinance to bring the Code in line with state statutes, but that concealed firearms would still not be allowed in the City Center. Mr. Greever stated that they would like to clarify and mirror the updates to the statutes, and there would be provided a list of the particular items that were changing.

Mayor Buckley stated that the dumpster ordinance mentioned was something that was discussed previously, and that while it was a challenging issue, it was one that needed to be revisited. She urged the Board to also drive around and look at the dumpsters in the City.

Department Head Reports

Street Superintendent Tony Wagner presented his written report and stated that they'd had to do brake work on the truck, and it had taken quite a bit, but it was up and running. He also stated that the snowstorms had been cleaned up fairly quickly, and Alderman Travaglini complimented Mr. Wagner on how quickly he had gotten them cleaned off.

Police Chief Jeff Keller presented his written report, and stated they were still waiting on work on the regional crimes information grant, but he hoped to have an answer by the next work session. He stated that the new patrol vehicle had arrived and they were in the process of getting it outfitted to be put in the fleet. Chief Keller stated that the police officers and their families had all gone bowling a couple of weeks prior, and that an anonymous resident had paid for the event, and he stated his gratitude to the anonymous resident. He also stated that they had made an arrest for the fire in Brinkop Park. Alderman Kauffmann asked what time the fire occurred, and Chief Keller answered that it was at around 12:01 a.m.

Director of Administration Jonathan Greever presented his written report, and noted the work that Monica had been doing regarding storing and organizing files in the archive. He gave an update on HB 445, which seems to have been buried as there are no hearings or votes scheduled. He stated that they were still working on SB 5, which was still alive and of concern. He concluded that they were going to be working on getting a bond rating from Standard and Poor's, as well as meeting with the two bidders for the project.

Finance Director Danielle Oettle presented her written report and noted that she had sent out the January financials and that February's would be done soon. She stated that they were focusing on audit preparation, and that the field work portion was scheduled for the first week in April and would last a couple of weeks. She concluded by stating that she would be meeting the following day with Mike Tabash to explore the possibility of renewing insurance in October this year and find out what the advantages, and that she would like to have him make a presentation to the Board.

Fire Chief Bill Fox presented his written report and stated that this year was the 200th anniversary of the New Madrid Earthquake, and as such, FEMA would be implementing a class which Shrewsbury would be the first to host on March 19th with people from around the state on rapid visualization of structural integrity.

Parks and Recreation Director Chris Buck presented his written report and stated that the theatre show sold out three shows. He also stated that Bunnies on the Loose would be held on April 18th and would showcase the City well. He stated that the adult egg hunt would be on March 27th and the children's egg hunt would be on March 28th.

Mr. Buck stated that Brinkop Park would be rebuilt, and that he was working with insurance to get people out to look at it.

Alderswoman Gorman asked what Bunnies on the Loose was, and Mr. Buck answered that it was a run sponsored by the Webster Groves/Shrewsbury/Rock Hill Chamber of Commerce that went through Shrewsbury streets.

Alderman Kauffmann asked how much the adult egg hunt would be, and Mr. Buck answered that it would be \$5.00 in advance, \$10.00 the night of the event.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Buckley expressed her gratitude to the Police Department for being on top of community policing and that the fire and their responses were an example of why community policing was so important.

Closed Session

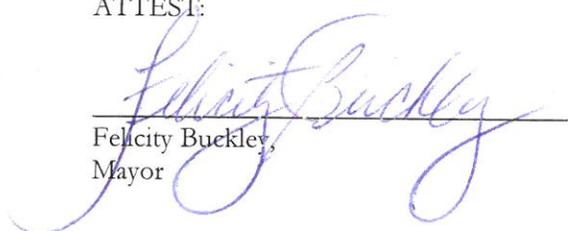
Alderman Travaglini made a motion to enter into a closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (9, 12, 13). Alderman Kauffmann seconded the motion and upon roll call, the following vote was recorded: Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopff, "Aye"; Alderman Steingrubby, "Aye".

Respectfully submitted,



Carly West,
City Clerk

ATTEST:



Felicity Buckley,
Mayor