

**CITY OF SHREWSBURY**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 7:00 p.m. this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2012 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
Alderwoman .....	Dee Wiecher

There were also present:

Director of Administration .....	Jonathan D. Greever
City Attorney .....	Michael K. Daming
Finance Director.....	Danielle Oettle
Director of Parks.....	Chris Buck
Police Chief.....	Jeff Keller
Fire Chief .....	Bill Fox
Street Superintendent.....	Tony Wagner

**Roll Call**

Mayor Buckley opened the meeting and Director Greever commenced with the roll call. The entire Board of Aldermen was present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Buckley announced that the next item on the agenda was the approval of minutes of the November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 Board of Aldermen work session. She opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Scherer to pass the minutes of November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 as submitted. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Buckley announced that the next item on the agenda was the approval of minutes of the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Board of Aldermen work session. There being no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini to pass the minutes of December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as submitted. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Buckley announced that the next item on the agenda was the approval of minutes of the December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Board of Aldermen regular meeting. She opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion a motion was made by Alderman Scherer to pass the minutes of December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 as submitted. Alderman Travaglini seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

**Bills to be Approved**

Mayor Buckley introduced the bills requiring approval and quickly overviewed them. She opened the floor for discussion. There being no further discussion on the bills, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to

approve the bills submitted for payment. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

### Hear Citizens

Ms. Barb Dressler of 7229 Nottingham Avenue addressed the Board that littering created from Metro Link foot traffic was still problematic and asked the City to address this issue, even though it is in the jurisdiction of St. Louis County. She went on to suggest that this could be accomplished by strategically placing trash cans on the north and south side of the Metro Link entrance. Alderman Travaglini also suggested posting "do not litter" signs that indicate a fine assessment. Mayor Buckley asked Street Superintendent Wagner to contact St. Louis County for permission to install trash cans and anti-littering signs.

Mr. John Bub of 7408 Williamsburg Colonial Lane asked for clarification on a previously mentioned City receivable of approximately \$285,743. Alderwoman Wiecher clarified that Mr. Bub was referring to the court audit receivable of \$260,000. Mayor Buckley advised that the court audit covered a time period of more than two decades, and as a part of standard operating procedures, those were fines that remained in a warrant status and are collected over a period of time. Mr. Bub ended by stating that he hoped that any redevelopment of Kenrick Plaza in which Trianon Parkway would be closed would include the City's conducting traffic studies to understand the overflow of traffic onto Weil Avenue and other side streets from Laclede Station Road.

Ms. Patrice Russo of 7222 Nottingham Avenue volunteered her services to initiate a writing campaign to Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District with respect to the issue behind Phil Mart. She further stated that she wanted the City to ask for more accountability from the Railroad with respect to maintenance of the area surrounding the bridge trusses at the Lansdowne and Watson Road crossing.

Mayor Buckley advised that she had conducted several telephone conversations throughout the year with a railroad representative, but added that she had not been able to make significant headway. The Mayor additionally stated that she had recently made an appointment to meet with the railroad representative in person in order to provide the representative with visual proof of the issues that needed to be addressed.

Mr. John Bub of 7408 Williamsburg Colonial Lane further suggested that the City might wish to use the newspaper reporters on the City's beat to bring further light to this ongoing issue.

Ms. Barb Dressler of 7229 Nottingham Avenue also suggested that the City should incorporate on the city website a public forum of these ongoing issues in order to provide residents with additional information.

### Bids/Proposals

(Truck Bid Proposal)

Mayor Buckley stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of the bid proposals for the Street Department's purchase of a new F-350 4 x 4 Pick-up Truck. Street Superintendent Tony Wagner advised the Board that he had received two bids from Dave Sinclair Ford and McMahan Ford. He then asked the Board to accept the lowest and best bid from Dave Sinclair Ford in the amount of \$20,188.00. Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. There being none, Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve Dave Sinclair Ford's bid pursuant to Street Superintendent Wagner's recommendation. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

(Snow Plow Bid Proposal):

Mayor Buckley stated that the next item on the agenda was the consideration of the bid proposals for the Street Department's purchase of a new Heavy Weight Snow Plow. Street Superintendent Wagner advised the Board that he had received three bids from Midwest Systems Truck Equipment, Reuther Ford, and Scotts Power Equipment. He then asked the Board to accept the lowest and best bid from Midwest Systems Truck

Equipment in the amount of \$4,898.00. Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. There being none, Alderman Kauffmann made a motion to approve Midwest Systems Truck Equipment's bid pursuant to Street Superintendent Wagner's recommendation. Alderman Travaglini seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

### Liquor License

(Temporary License for sale of beer and wine only, for consumption on the premises where sold)

Mayor Buckley introduced the temporary license for sale of beer and wine only, for St Michael Church's Basketball Tournaments on March 4<sup>th</sup> and March 11<sup>th</sup>. She opened the floor for discussion. Director Greever advised for the record that Alderman Kopff would recuse himself from the voting of the above mentioned liquor license. There being no further discussion, Alderman Scherer made a motion to approve the above-referenced liquor license application. The motion was seconded by Alderman Travaglini, and unanimously approved.

### Ordinances

#### **(Bill No. 2658)**

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2658 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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012 as provided for within the agreement. Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, a motion 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 the first time. Mayor Buckley opened the Bill for discussion. There being no discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Travaglini, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman and passed with a 5-1 approval (Alderwoman Wiecher opposed), and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Travaglini made a motion that Bill No. 2658 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2651. 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 Alderwoman Wiecher, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2658 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2651.

#### **(Bill No. 2659)**

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2659, a bill amending Chapter 110: City Employees, of Title I: Government Code of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri; by deleting subsection 110.090 (J) and replacing it with a new subsection 110.090 (J), relating to the provision of personal days as an employee benefit; providing for the current maintenance of this code; providing for the repeal of all conflicting ordinances; and providing for the effective date of this ordinance. Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. There being no discussion, 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 the first time. Mayor Buckley opened the Bill for discussion. There being no discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Scherer, seconded by Alderman Kopff and passed with a 5-1 approval (Alderwoman Wiecher opposed), and in accordance with Section 79.130 as approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only the second and final time. Alderman Scherer made a motion that Bill No. 2659 be adopted to become Ordinance No. 2652. 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 Alderwoman Wiecher, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that Bill No. 2659 was adopted as Ordinance No. 2652.

**(Bill No. 2660)**

Mayor Buckley introduced Bill No. 2660 a bill adopting a fund balance policy in accordance with the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement 54: "Fund Balance Reporting and Governmental Fund Type Definitions". Mayor Buckley asked Finance Director Danielle Oettle to provide a brief overview of the GASB Statement 54 fund balance policy. Finance Director Oettle took the floor and quickly reviewed the background of GASB and the City's purpose in enacting this above mentioned fund balance policy. Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. Upon no further discussion, a motion made by Alderman Scherer, seconded by Alderwoman Gorman and unanimously passed in accordance with Section 79.130 approved by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, to read the Bill by Title only the first time. Mayor Buckley stated that this was not a time sensitive ordinance and only the first reading of the bill would occur in that meeting.

**Old Business**

None

**New Business**

Mayor Buckley announced that anyone wanting to attend the Heart of the Community banquet should contact Director Greever no later than January 20<sup>th</sup>. The Mayor advised that the City's recipient of this year's Heart of the Community award was Shrewsbury resident Mr. Pete Sepe who had served on the City's Planning and Zoning Commission and Board of Adjustment as well as St. Michael the Archangel's Athletic Association. Mayor Buckley also advised the board that she, along with Director Greever, would be attending the Mayor's Conference in Jefferson City in February. The Mayor ended by stating that she wanted to confirm two strategic work session dates. After quickly polling the Board she received a general consensus from the Board that these work session dates would be scheduled for February 25<sup>th</sup> and April 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Department Head Reports**

Police Chief Jeffrey Keller stated that he had no additional information to share with the Board other than his written memo.

Fire Chief Bill Johnson advised the Board that the fire department shifts had changed from a 24-hour shift basis to a 48 hour shift system for a trial period. He also discussed several internal personnel matters relating to the filling of open positions due to a recent retirement.

Finance Director Danielle Oettle advised the Board that she was finalizing the budget information for the website as well as completing all year end reporting activities. She further stated that she had begun the RFP for auditing services and would provide a recommendation by the January 24<sup>th</sup> work session.

Street Superintendent Tony Wagner informed the Board that the Street Department had been busy crack-filling designated streets.

Parks Department Director Chris Buck stated that he had no additional information to share with the Board other than his written memo.

**Mayor's Report**

The Mayor announced that a decision had been made to begin discussions for the 2013 budget with scheduled Saturday work sessions and public hearings.

**Agenda Amendment**

Mayor Buckley stated that the agenda needed to be amended to include a closed session. Alderman Kauffmann made a motion to amend the agenda to include a closed session. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion, and it was unanimously passed.

**Closed Session**

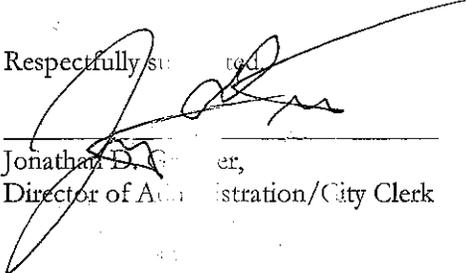
Alderman Kauffmann made a motion to enter into a closed session following the Board of Aldermen work session. Such a closed meeting, with closed vote and closed record would take place in the aldermanic conference room and said meeting, vote, and records would be closed pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (12, 13). Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and the following roll call vote was recorded. Alderman Kauffmann, "Aye"; Alderman Travaglini, "Aye"; Alderwoman Gorman, "Aye"; Alderman Scherer, "Aye"; Alderman Kopf, "Aye"; Alderwoman Wiecher, "Aye".

There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and stated that the board would enter into a closed session.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Travaglini made a motion to adjourn the work session. Alderman Kauffmann seconded the motion and it was unanimously passed. The work session adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jonathan D. Scherer,  
Director of Administration/City Clerk

ATTEST:

  
Felicity Buckley,  
Mayor