

CITY OF SHREWSBURY, MISSOURI
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
February 8, 2011

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Shrewsbury, Missouri was held at 7:00 p.m. this 8th day of February, 2011 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.....Greg Lauter

There were also present:

Assist. City Admin./City Clerk.....Jonathan D. Greever
City Attorney.....Michael K. Daming
Director of Finance.....Rick Jett
Director of Parks.....Marc Bernstein
Police Chief.....Jeff Keller
Fire Chief.....Bill Fox
Street Superintendent.....Tony Wagner

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

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Buckley stated that the first item on the agenda was the approval of minutes from the November 2nd, 2010 Plan Commission Meeting. She opened the floor for discussion and there was none. Alderman Travaglini made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Plan Commission Meeting on November 2nd, 2010. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Buckley introduced the submitted minutes from the November 22nd, 2010 Plan Commission meeting. She opened the floor for discussion and there was none. Alderwoman Gorman made a motion to approve, as submitted, the minutes of the Plan Commission meeting on November 22nd, 2010. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Bills:

Mayor Buckley introduced the bills requiring approval and quickly overviewed them. She opened the floor for discussion. There being no discussion on the bills, Alderman Scherer made a motion to approve the bills submitted for payment. Alderman Lauter seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Hear Citizens:

Mr. Nick Dragon, a citizen of Sunset Hills, thanked the City of Shrewsbury and expressed his sincere appreciation for the help the City provided following the December 31st, 2010 tornado that hit Sunset Hills.

Mr. Jim Feeney of 5011 Exeter Avenue addressed the Board regarding to the open gym policy and problems with this policy. Mr. Feeney questioned the number of non-resident passes that were issued and felt that non-resident passes should be sponsored. Mr. Feeney stated that many of the park rentals to non-residents have become out of control and that the City needs to control these more closely. Mr. Feeney also wanted to address the manner in which the part-time park employees were laid-off. Mr. Feeney stated that sending emails out to the part-time employees letting them know that they were let go is not the appropriate manner to do lay-offs.

Mayor Buckley stated that in the four years she had been involved with the City she had never heard any complaints in regards to renting out to non Shrewsbury residents. Mayor Buckley stated that there was no sum of money that would be worth creating an environment that is unsafe. Mayor Buckley added that she had been impressed with the way the city center has been managed and there was a very family friend and safe atmosphere at the city center. Mayor mentioned that due to budget cuts, the City had to let go of some of the part-time employees and due to these cuts, the police department have been doing walk-thrus to ensure the building was safe. Mayor Buckley informed Mr. Feeney that his concerns would be reviewed.

Alderman Scherer added that he would like to know about these residents concerns.

Alderman Scherer stated that he had heard about the firing of the part-time park employees and how upset many of them were. Alderman Scherer added that in the future lay-offs would be done in a more professional manner.

Mrs. Bente Seitz of 7318 Westover Colonial Lane asked the board if any dates had been set for any for a public meeting regarding Wal-Mart.

Mayor Buckley stated that there was no set date for a public meeting.

Bids/Proposals:*Police Dept – Body Armor*

Mayor Buckley stated that the next item on the agenda was consideration of the bidding for the replacement and purchase for body armor. She turned the floor over to Police Chief Keller to present the topic and results.

Chief Keller stated that the department needed replace sixteen sets of soft body armor worn by our officers. These armors have a life span of five years and that the current ones would be expiring soon. Chief Keller stated that at the time Shrewsbury went out to bid so did St. Louis County Police Department and that the County awarded a contract with Ed Roehr Safety Products for the same items. Ed Roehr extended this contract price to any municipalities located in St. Louis County. Chief Keller added that the specifications in the County contract met the specifications for the Shrewsbury Police Department. After a competitive bidding process, Ed Roehr had the lowest bid of \$12,203.20. Chief Keller stated this was less than the budgeted \$12,800 for this item.

Mayor Buckley asked if there was any discussion. There being none, Alderman Kauffmann made a motion approving Ed Roehr Safety Products' bid pursuant to Chief Keller's recommendation. Alderman Scherer seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved it.

Liquor License

Mayor Buckley stated that the next time on the agenda was consideration of (2) temporary liquor licenses for the sale of beer and wine by the drink off premises to St. Michael's Parish for the Soccer Tournament

Mayor Buckley opened the floor for any questions, stating that Alderman Kopff would abstain from voting. There being none, Alderman Lauter made a motion to approve the temporary liquor license. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved the annual liquor license to St. Michael's Parish for the Soccer Tournament.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Department Head Reports:

Fire Chief Fox invited the Board to attend a seminar that would be held by Central United States Consortium in the ballroom to inform the general public about earthquake awareness. Chief Fox stated there would be media coverage of this seminar. St. Michael's School will be participation in a drill to bring attention to earthquake awareness training and to implement the new rule "drop, covered and hold on" during an earthquake. Chief Fox discussed the good reception that the emergency beacon program had received.

Street Superintendent Wagner stated that during the last snow falls one of the snow plow trucks broke down.

Parks Director Bernstein started that community center had been very busy. Director Bernstein added that he included the revenue figures to different programs in his report including the dog classes. Directed Bernstein stated it has been a very successful January.

Finance Director Jett stated that the City should be expecting an invoice for Workers Comp as well as updated assessed values and estimated tax levy.

Police Chief Keller stated that during the bad weather, the Police Department was well prepared. Chief Keller added the Dieberg's was kind enough to donate food platters to the officers working. Chief Keller was impressed with the business community donations. Chief Keller added that the department donated (6) bicycles to an organization called Bicycle World. These bikes are bikes that the Police Department obtained and that were never recovered by the owner. Chief Keller concluded to saying that Frank Rigenbach would be leaving Shrewsbury Police Department to go work for the Drug Enforcement Agency leaving February 22nd.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Buckley thanked the department heads for their work during the bad snow storm while she was stuck in California. Mayor Buckley stated how well pleased she was with the way the city was well taken care of during her absence.

Mayor Buckley then stated that the Board needed to hold a closed session.

Alderman Kauffmann made a motion to enter into a closed session following the Board of Aldermen meeting. Such closed meeting, he continued, 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 (1, 3, and 12). 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 Kopff, "Aye" and Alderman Lauter "Aye".

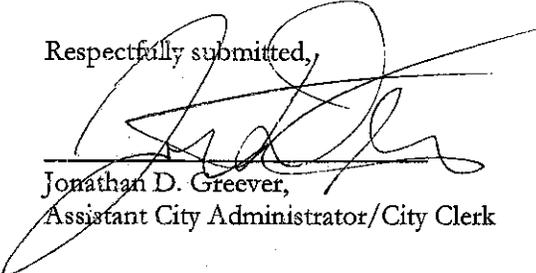
There being a majority of votes in favor, the Mayor declared the motion passed and that the Board would enter into a closed session.

Adjournment:

Alderman Travaglini made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting subject to the closed session. Alderwoman Gorman seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

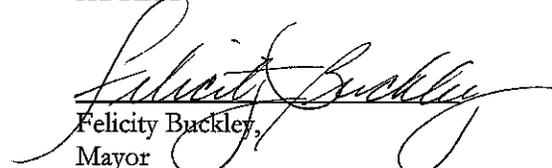
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Jonathan D. Greever,
Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk

ATTEST:



Felicity Buckley,
Mayor