

CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF MARCH 25, 2019

A meeting of the Warrensburg City Council was held on March 25, 2019, at 7:00 p.m., at the Municipal Center, 200 S. Holden, with Mayor Danielle Johnston presiding. Roll was called as follows: Present were: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. Absent: none.

Minutes of the March 11, 2019, meeting were considered. Watts moved to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019, City Council meeting. Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. No: none.

The adoption of the agenda was considered. Jacobs moved to adopt the agenda. Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. No: none.

Mayor Johnston read a Proclamation recognizing and thanking Battalion Fire Chief Dale Parsons for his 42 years of service in the Fire Department. Many of Dale's family members and friends were at the meeting as Dale accepted the proclamation.

Bill No. 3-3-19 being for an Ordinance Accepting a Donation of Real Estate on West Pine Street from Vintage Corporation to the City of Warrensburg was read for the first time by title. City Manager Harold Stewart said this property is on Pine Street and the property owner, Bob Russell, would like to "gift" the property to the City. Stewart said owning this property would be helpful if the City decides to widen Pine Street. He said it is also near the Blind Boone Park area and within walking distance of trails that could possibly be developed in the area. Lund moved said bill be passed to second reading by title. Carried unanimously. Said bill was read a second time. Roll was called for the adoption or rejection of said bill as follows: Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. No: none. Absent: none. Said bill was declared duly adopted and given Ordinance No. 5510.

There was discussion of the Purchase of an Animal Shelter Vehicle. Joe Hackney, Interim Manager of the Warrensburg Animal Shelter, said this vehicle is needed to transport animals to other sites for special procedures. He said currently vehicles from other departments are being used, but this is putting a strain on the department involved. Hackney said he has researched various options, and he is proposing the purchase of a 2013 Ford Transit Connect with 36,000 miles for \$12,604. He said this purchase is not budgeted in the general fund, and he is requesting this purchase be taken from the Animal Shelter donation account that currently has around \$40,598.00. Chairman Pro Tem asked about the condition of the vehicle, and Hackney said it is "turn-key ready." Stewart noted there may be an additional expense for signs added to the vehicle. Watts moved to approve the purchase of the vehicle. Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. No: none. Carried unanimously.

In Other Business, Mayor Johnston read a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Warrensburg, Missouri, Supporting and Encouraging Acceptance and Diversity Within the City of Warrensburg. Suzy Latare, Chairman of the Diversity and Inclusion Commission said this commission really appreciates the City's support of this group. Allen moved to approve the Resolution. Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen, Johnston. No: none. Carried unanimously and given Resolution No. 2175.

In Mayoral appointments, Mayor Johnston said she would like to appoint Bonnie Seymour to the Tree Board. Allen moved to approve the appointment. Yes: Jacobs, Lund, Watts, Allen,

Johnston. No: none. Carried unanimously.

Under Miscellaneous Matters from the Mayor/and or City Council, Council member Allen reminded everyone there will be a fundraiser for RISE on Saturday, March 31, 2019. Council member Watts said the Municipal Election will be held Tuesday, April 2, 2019, and he encouraged everyone to vote.


In the City Manager's report, Stewart said Fatma Ben Amar, an Intern from the University of Central Missouri, is planning a "Picnic 'N The Burg" at Cave Hollow Park on Saturday, March 30 from 9:30 a.m. through 1:00 p.m. Stewart explained it is in cooperation with the Diversity and Inclusion Commission. Fatma said this event will allow different cultures to share favorite foods and information.

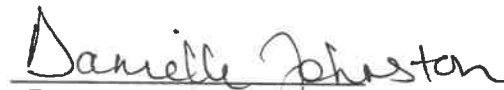
Stewart asked the Mayor and City Council members about setting a date for a City Council meeting since the certification of the election results will not be in until after the regular meeting. A meeting concerning the certification of the election results will be held on Wednesday, April 10, 2019, along with the swearing-in of the new City Council members and the election of a Mayor and Chairman Pro Tem.

In the Director of Finance Report, Finance Director Matthew Lue said he is planning to have the City Council tours between April 22-25, 2019, and the Budget Retreat on April 25, 2019. Lue said some revenues are down, but the use tax is up overall.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned.




Cindy Gabel, City Clerk


Danielle Johnston, Mayor