

CITY COUNCIL
PALMYRA MISSOURI

July 23, 2009

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Loren Graham presiding and opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The following council members answered roll call: Jim Bross, Tim Wright, Gary Coleman, Carolyn Andresen, Gerre Feigenspan and Emmett Garner. Also present was Raymond Houston, Eddie Bogue, Mark Cheffey, Amanda O'Brien and Mr. O'Brien and Gary Crane.

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilman Bross to approve the consent agenda. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Bross, Wright, Coleman, Andresen, Feigenspan and Garner. Nays; none. The motion carried. The consent agenda included:

- . Approval of the July 9th minutes
- 0. Resolution 2009-04: Opposing the closing of the Quincy Post Office Processing Center

Mrs. O'Brien expressed a concern about problems with a neighbor. She feels that her children and she are being harassed. Police Chief Bogue explained that he had visited with Mrs. O'Brien and that the neighbor has not committed a crime. Following a brief discussion, Mayor Graham thanked Mrs. O'Brien for coming and they left the meeting.

Gary Crane gave the council an update of fire department calls and grant applications. Mayor Graham presented a bid obtained by Crane for sealing the drive at the fire station. A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilmember Andresen accepting the bid of \$300 from Chester Bross Construction and authorizing the mayor to sign the proposal. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Bross, Wright, Coleman, Andresen, Feigenspan and Garner. Nays; none. The motion carried.

The council members asked if the property owners in town have been notified regarding the house numbers. City Clerk Dodd stated that they had not and asked the council opinion about the expense that would be involved to mail over 450 letters by certified mail. It was decided that letters will be sent by regular mail and that the next utility bills will have a message on them regarding the addresses.

Old Business: A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilmember Andresen authorizing Mayor Graham to sign all necessary documents to finance patrol cars through Hannibal National Bank for a 48 month term, totaling \$45,523.25. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Bross, Wright, Coleman, Andresen, Feigenspan and Garner. Nays; none. The motion carried.

Committee Reports: Councilman Wright reported that the personnel committee met and approved the police policy manual and will review it annually.

Councilmember Reports: Councilman Coleman reported that the BPW President is concerned about the cost of health insurance for employee dependents and would like a meeting with the personnel committee to discuss the insurance and the pay scale.

Councilman Feigenspan reported that he has successfully completed his NIMS testing. He also commented that the property on N. Main Street owned by Ayers Oil Co. is being

cleaned up.

The recent injury of a young girl prompted Councilman Garner to express a concern that water meter lids are not being properly closed and bolted. Dodd informed the council that this incident has been reported to our insurance company and they will determine liability.

Street Commissioner Houston reported that he has begun working on the sidewalk at the elementary school through the MoDot grant. He was given permission by consensus to purchase some black dirt for \$15 per load. Police Chief Bogue reported on training. Dodd informed the council that the fair parade will be Saturday, that a zoning hearing will be held on August 6th and that the AT & T class action lawsuit has been settled.

Mayor Graham reported that he has dealt with a complaint about Allied Waste. He also has sent pictures to BNSF Railroad of the overpass on Ross Street for them to consider for a walkway for school. He also has talked to a property owner regarding the storm water drainage ditch on Short Street. Mayor Graham stated that he has received a lot of compliments on the park during the weeklong rendezvous.

With no further business before the council a motion to adjourn was made at 8:10 p.m.

Loren Graham, Mayor

Rhonda J. Dodd, CMC, MRCC, City Clerk