

CITY COUNCIL  
PALMYRA, MISSOURI

October 4, 2007

The Palmyra City Council met on the above date in City Hall at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Loren Graham presiding. The following council members answered roll call: Jeff Merkel, Emmett Garner, Jim Bross, Tim Wright, Gary Coleman and Carolyn Andresen. Also present were Raymond Houston, Jim Beadle, Mark Cheffey, Chase Hickman and Jon Brewer.

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

- a. Approval of the September 20<sup>th</sup> minutes
- b. September Financial reports
- c. Bills for Approval
- d. Municipal Judge's Report-September

Jon Brewer, a resident on Oakview Drive, approached the council about water runoff from the street. He and his neighbor both have had problems with water overflowing the curb and would like for the city to address the situation. Following discussion, Mayor Graham stated that he will talk with an engineer and see what our options are.

Jim Bross stated that the recycling committee wants to purchase a trailer for use at the high school. He has obtained a commitment for funds from Marion County in the amount of \$2500; the Booster Club in the amount of \$1,000 and FFA in the amount of \$500. Bross has a quote from Krigbaum Trailers for \$4,000 and it was requested that he get some more quotes. Merkel expressed concern about liability if the trailer is used by the school for other functions. A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilman Merkel to approve the purchase of a trailer to be used at the high school for recycling. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Merkel, Garner, Bross, Wright, Coleman, and Andresen. Nays; none. The motion carried.

Bross also stated that he is applying for a grant for the recycling center from General Mills and that the funding if approved will be used for a second glass container.

**Old Business:** Bross reported that the personnel committee met and had some changes for Dr. Hendrix in the proposed personnel code. The committee will meet again on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with Dr. Hendrix.

Councilman Garner reported that the finance committee met and has a recommendation for health insurance for the employees. A motion was made by Garner and seconded by Andresen to accept the quote from Insurance Services with the provider being Mercy Insurance. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Merkel, Garner, Bross, Wright, Coleman, and Andresen. Nays; none. The motion carried.

**Council member Reports:** Merkel asked Street Commissioner Houston about the storm sewer drainage at West Hamilton and West Line Streets. Houston reported that it did not handle the recent storm water but that they had just worked on it that day.

Several councilmember's commented on the excellent job of cleaning up the town after the storm this week. They also want letters of thanks sent to those that assisted. It was noted that the storm siren at the corner of South Main and Thompson did not work.

Councilmember Andresen reported that the Ordinance Committee has a proposed ordinance prepared regarding vicious dogs and she gave each council member a copy to review before the next meeting.

Houston reported that he has completed the project at the Head property as required to fulfill the agreement. City Attorney Chase Hickman will review the agreement and a letter will be sent to Heads stating that the city has completed the project.

City Clerk Dodd asked permission from the council to publish in the Spectator a delinquent tax list. Dodd reminded the council of the city wide cleanups that will be held on October 13<sup>th</sup> and October 20<sup>th</sup>.

A motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilmember Andresen to adjourn to closed session for the purpose of personnel issues. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes; Merkel-Personnel, Garner-Personnel, Bross-Personnel, Wright-Personnel, Coleman-Personnel, and Andresen-Personnel. Nays; none. The motion carried, the guests left the council chambers and the council entered into closed session at 8:05 p.m. Following closed session a motion was made by Councilman Garner and seconded by Councilman Merkel to adjourn at 8:47 p.m.

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Loren Graham, Mayor

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Rhonda J. Dodd, CMC, MRCC,  
City Clerk

10-5-07

The following motion was made in the closed session of the Palmyra City Council meeting on October 4, 2007: Motion by Councilman Emmett Garner that on October 5, 2007 Mayor Loren Graham is to inform Police Chief Jim Beadle that if he does not resign within 24 hours that he will be terminated. Councilman Jeff Merkel seconded the motion. The roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Jeff Merkel, Emmett Garner, Jim Bross, Gary Coleman and Carolyn Andresen. Nays; Tim Wright. With a vote of 5-1, the motion carried.