

1 May 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes

The St. Charles City Council met at City Hall on Monday, 5/1/2023, for a regular meeting. Mayor Dennis Smith called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Council members Tom Blomme, Dan Kozak, Lois Stanley, and Megan Allison were present along with 4 guests. Council Member Whitney Hutton was absent.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve the agenda. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes for Council Meeting from 4/3/2023: Motion made by Dan Kozak/Tom Blomme to approve the minutes. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of April Treasurer and Budget Reports: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve the treasurer and budget reports for April. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Approval of May Bills: Motion made by Tom Blomme/Lois Stanley to approve the May bills. Voice vote passed unanimously.

Sheriff's Report: During March there were 43.18 patrol hours, 9 calls, and 8 traffic stops in St. Charles.

City Boards/Committees:

- Fire/Rescue Department: Rick Schaffer presented April Minutes. Unexpended Rescue Transport Funds will be moved to a saving account at the end of the Fiscal Year for future needs.
- Library Board: Margaret Blair presented April Library Minutes. The Library is planning to purchase a new computer.
- Welcome Center: Mary Seibert was present. The Chamber of Commerce will purchase a security gate for the Welcome Center to secure the area they use. Mary wanted to thank all those that volunteered at the Welcome Center. The Council agreed that any old damaged chairs at the Welcome Center should be disposed of.
- Old Settlers: Cooking up Some Fun will take place July 14th and 15th.
- Maintenance Report: A storm drain will need to be repaired at 221 W Vine Street. The DNR will take inventory of the trees in the city over the summer and will provide a plan for the Council on how best to maintain the trees.
- Emergency Management: April's Coordinator Report was submitted.
- Clerk's Report: City Hall will be closed on May 4th.

Tracee Knapp, A Constituent Services Representative for Zach Nunn introduced herself to the City Council. Tracee can be contacted by the City to receive information and help concerning Federal Funds and Grants.

Public Hearing for Proposed Budget Amendment 2 for FY23: Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to open the public hearing at 7:46 pm. No public wished to speak and the public hearing was closed at 7:49 pm.

Resolutions 5A-2023 Approval of Budget Amendment 2 for FY 23: Motion by Tom Blomme/Dan Kozak to approve Resolution 5A-2023 Budget Amendment 2 for FY23. RC vote was unanimous. This Budget Amendment approved the funds from the savings account for the Welcome Center to be spent this fiscal year for heating and cooling.

Resolution 5B-2023 Transfer of Funds from Welcome Center Savings to General Fund: Motion by Megan Allison/Tom Blomme to approve Resolution 5B-2023. RC vote was unanimous.

Ordinance 227 Amending the Code of Ordinance by Amending Provision Pertaining to the Sewer Service Charge, 2nd and Possible Final Reading: Second reading for the sewer rate increase starting July 1st. Motion by Megan Allison/Lois Stanley to approve the second reading of Ordinance 227 as the final reading. R/C vote was unanimous. Ordinance 227 will be in effect starting July 1, 2023.

Resolution 5C-2023 Proposing Disposal of an Interest in Real Property by Sale: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve Resolution 5C-2023. RC vote was unanimous. This is to fix a typo from the original sale from 2019.

Resolution 5D-2023 Transfer of Funds to Balance Water Account: Motion by Tom Blomme/Megan Allison to approve Resolution 5D-2023. RC vote was unanimous. The transfer of funds from Savings to Checking will clear up a negative balance in the old water account.

Opportunity Forms: The Council was given an update concerning a property on Cherry Street.

Public Forum: No public asked to speak.

Old Business: No old business

New Business: No new business

Motion made by Megan Allison to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The next City Council meeting will be June 5, 2023, at City Hall.

Dennis Smith, Mayor

Attest: Tracy Kozak, City Clerk

Posted at: City Hall, Post Office, Montross, and Library