



CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 1, 2024

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The Council of the City of Sedalia, Missouri duly met on July 1, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building in the Council Chambers with Mayor Andrew L. Dawson presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Table with 4 columns: Name, Status, Name, Status. Rows include Jack Robinson (Present), Thomas Oldham (Present), Chris Marshall (Present), Tina Boggess (Absent), Bob Hiller (Present), Bob Cross (Present), Rhiannon Foster (Present), Steve Bloess (Present).

SERVICE AWARDS:

Table with 4 columns: Award, Name, Title, Department. Rows include 20 Year Pin/Certificate (Kyle Rupe, Driver/Engineer, Fire), 10 Year Pin/Certificate (Nathan Deuschle, Captain, Fire), 10 Year Pin/Certificate (Mark Cherry, Police Officer, Police), 5 Year Pin/Certificate (Jamie Smoot, Accounting Tech - AR, Finance), 5 Year Pin/Certificate (Ty Barrett, Police Officer, Police).

Fire Chief Matt Irwin stated that Kyle Rupe's knowledge of Fire Trucks and pumping equipment surpasses most in the Fire Department and he's the "go to" on anything with operations of the Fire Trucks.

Police Chief David Woolery stated that Mark Cherry joined the Police Department June 15, 2014 and has established himself as a trainer in fire arms defense tactics, ground fighting, officer wellness and Crisis intervention.

Finance Director Jessica Pyle presented Jamie Smoot with her service award. Director Pyle noted that customer service comes naturally to Ms. Smoot.

RETIREMENT AWARDS:

- Monte Richardson - IT - 37 Years, 7 Months of service - Retired June 28, 2024. Mr. Richardson received an Ironwood Grill as a retirement gift.

Director Richardson stated that he is here because of the generosity of a large group of people. From Doug Bolar who was Police Chief when he was hired to Officer Randy Silvey who was one of his supervisors.

DeGonia are the individuals who were key in getting him involved in the IT Department to build what we have today. He thanked City Council and their predecessors for the support given to him and the Information Technology team.

- Michael Holman – Cemetery – 27 Years, 8 ¼ Months of service – Retired July 1, 2024. Mr. Holman received a shotgun and shells as a retirement gift.

Mr. Holman has a combined total of 32 years of service and knowledge and has assisted in many transitions in the Cemetery Department. Mr. Holman has agreed to assist in training a new Crew Leader. Mr. Holman stated that working for the City of Sedalia has given him a good outlook on what we have here in Sedalia. He thanked the City for the opportunity to have a career and encouraged young people to step up.

**SPECIAL AWARDS** None

**MINUTES:**

The Council Meeting minutes of June 17, 2024 were approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Robinson. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & COMMITTEES:** None

**ROLL CALL OF STANDING COMMITTEES:**

**FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION** – Chairwoman Tina Boggess; Vice Chairman Thomas Oldham

- The Ordinances amend the Maternity/Paternity Leave policy to ensure compliance with the new federal legislation that has been passed and adds a new section regarding the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act that has become law.

BILL NO. 2024-117, ORDINANCE NO. 12074 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MATERNITY/PATERNITY LEAVE POLICY was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-118, ORDINANCE NO. 12075 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE PREGNANT WORKERS FAIRNESS ACT POLICY was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

- The Local Tap and Retrieving Freedom have partnered again this year to hold its annual “Wings for Wags” fundraiser benefit for Retrieving Freedom. It will be held September 14, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. in downtown Sedalia.

BILL NO. 2024-119, ORDINANCE NO. 12076 – AN ORDINANCE WAIVING OPEN CONTAINER LAWS AND IMPOSING OTHER CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE RETRIEVING FREEDOM/THE LOCAL TAP “WINGS FOR WAGS” EVENT was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

**PUBLIC SAFETY** – Chairman Jack Robinson, Vice Chairman Steve Bloess

- The budget amendment and quote from Federal Signal Corporation are for the purchase of 5 outdoor warning sirens – Cost \$175,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2092 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CITY’S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 was read once by title and approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-120, ORDINANCE NO.12077 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 REGARDING FIRE OUTDOOR WARNING SIREN PURCHASE was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robinson. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-121, ORDINANCE NO. 12078 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FOR THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) OUTDOOR WARNING SIRENS was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Robinson. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

- The budget amendment is for the purchase and installation of cameras that livestream directly to Joint Dispatch and fire stations. Cost - \$8,536.98.

RESOLUTION NO. 2093 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CITY’S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 was read once by title and approved on motion by Foster, seconded by Robinson. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-122, ORDINANCE NO. 12079 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 REGARDING FIRE CAMERA PURCHASE AND INSTALL was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

- During the Strategic Planning process, “Freddie the Fire Truck” wasn’t included due to higher priority items. The primary organizer for D.A.R.E. approached Fire and Police Chiefs about combining the use for not only fire prevention but also the D.A.R.E. program. All parties discussed and agreed it is a good use of the D.A.R.E. funds through Robotronics Inc. for Police and Fire Departments. The budget amendment and quote allows for the purchase. Cost – \$11,466.80.

RESOLUTION NO. 2094 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE CITY’S ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025 was read once by title and approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-123, ORDINANCE NO. 12080 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 REGARDING POLICE D.A.R.E PURCHASE OF FREDDIE THE FIRE TRUCK was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bloess. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

BILL NO. 2024-124, ORDINANCE NO. 12081 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A QUOTE FOR THE PURCHASE OF FREDDIE THE FIRE TRUCK FOR THE POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hiller. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

➤ Motion by Robinson, seconded by Oldham to have Fire Chief Matt Irwin give a report on the last ISO inspection. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Fire Chief Irwin stated that in March of this year, the City had its ISO Inspection and it had to go to a second panel to be reviewed. Anytime a City regresses or progresses, it goes through a second review. The City of Sedalia received an ISO Class 2 rating which takes effect October 1, 2024.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS** – Chairman Bob Hiller; Vice Chairwoman Tina Boggess

➤ The City continues to work on storm drainage improvements through the Master Plan. Projects have been completed as funding allows. This Fiscal Year the City was successful in securing a Grant accelerating the plan. During construction on project area 14, it was discovered by Orr Wyatt Streetscapes that there was an additional pipe not included in plans. In addition, ponding was identified where a drive approach and sidewalk were too low. Cost \$19,390.00.

BILL NO. 2024-125, ORDINANCE NO. 12082 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING CHANGE ORDER NUMBER ONE FOR STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AREA #14 was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Foster, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

➤ As a designated Tree City, the City is eligible to apply for a Tree Resource Improvement and Maintenance (TRIM) grant through the Department to Conservation to continue to grow and maintain the City’s urban forest through the Tree City USA program. Amount \$10,000.00.

RESOLUTION NO. 2095 – A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION BY THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI FOR A TREE RESOURCE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE (TRIM) GRANT THROUGH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION TO CONTINUE TO GROW THE CITY’S URBAN FOREST was read once by title and approved on motion by Cross, seconded by Oldham. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** – Chairwoman Rhiannon M. Foster; Vice Chairman Bob Cross

➤ The City of Sedalia has been utilizing the Main Street Approach™ to assist with and encourage the revitalization of downtown. In May, City Council approved an agreement granting the ability to continue use

of their model and tools, while agreeing to their guidelines on use. Main Streets has presented a Trademark Sublicense Agreement allowing the City to use their trademarked materials under their conditions.

BILL NO. 2024-126, ORDINANCE NO. 12083 – AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A TRADEMARK SUBLICENSE AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI, SEDALIA MAIN STREETS AND NATIONAL MAIN STREET CENTER, INC., FOR INCORPORATING THE MAIN STREET AMERICA PROGRAM was read once by title.

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Final Passage – Motion by Oldham, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

Roll Call Vote: Voting “Yes” were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one voted “No”. Boggess was Absent.

APPOINTMENTS: None

BIDS: None

LIQUOR LICENSES: The following new and renewal Liquor Licenses were read and approved on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. All Present in Favor. Boggess was Absent.

New:

\* Melissa Atkinson dba The 518 Provisions, 520 South Ohio, Liquor by the Drink & Sidewalk Consumption

Renewals:

\*Crystal Sims dba Woods Supermarket Inc., 1400 South Limit, Suite 3, Packaged Liquor, Sunday Sales & Taste Testing

\*Crystal Sims dba Woods Supermarket, Inc., 701 East Broadway, Packaged Sales & Sunday Sales

\*Mary Jane Stewart dba American Legion Post #642, 2016 West Main, Liquor by the Drink

\*Jeremy Klein dba The Korner Lounge, 1604 South Ohio, Liquor by the Drink and Sunday Sales

\*Jeremy Klein dba Cork-N-Bottle, 3806 East Broadway, Sunday Sales & Packaged Liquor

\*Dianna Greene dba Little Big Horn, 150 South Limit, Suite 100, Beer and Wine

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/ADMINISTRATOR:

Councilman Oldham stated that June 22, 2024, was the Day of Action through Pettis County United Way. There were approximately 350 volunteers doing neighborhood clean up and other projects around Pettis County. He expressed his appreciation to City staff who were there to assist. He also noted that on July 9, 2024, there will be a workshop for the Washington Street bridge.

Councilman Oldham reviewed his discussion from the last Council meeting in support of a 3 station model for the Fire Department. He believes our new ISO rating will be at risk without a 3 station model. Motion by Oldham, seconded by Marshall to move to a 3-Station model.

Councilwoman Foster asked what affect the placement of Fire Stations has in the ISO rating. Fire Chief Irwin stated that there are 105.5 points available to the City as a total score. We are graded at 50% of that score for the Fire Department as a whole. Station placement is in the grading but not at 50% but rather 15. The Fire Department gets 50 points, Water Department gets 40 points, Joint Communications gets 10 points and Community Risk reduction gets 5 points. Fire Chief Irwin stated that the City scored lower on Station deployment (6 out of 10). Points were picked up in training, hydrant flushing, flow testing and pre-planning. In answering if our Class 2 is in jeopardy, the City received a score of 80.97 points of which 80 is the break over from a 2 to a 3. The Class 2 could be in jeopardy due to growth.

What detracted in the inspection was some of the City's annexations, particularly Clover Dell and Missouri State Fair property, relative to lack of hydrants. Points will be gained due to adoption of the 2021 International Building Codes related to Fire Code. It will be 5 years before the City is re-graded.

A three station model would mean figuring out how to support it financially. It is roughly a \$5 Million dollar building plus extra cost for personnel and equipment. If we grow, there will be a need for additional personnel across the board. Councilman Oldham stated that he believes the community is in support of this initiative and has a couple of ideas for financial support if the motion passes. Councilman Hiller stated that he has talked to several individuals who are not in support of another tax and that while the North side would like to have a Fire Station the need is actually South and West based on annexations and to cover homes and the High School. Councilman Robinson feels it is more important to rebuild the Central Fire Station due to its condition.

Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" was Oldham. Voting "No" were Robinson, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. Boggess was Absent. Motion FAILED.

#### GOOD & WELFARE:

Nicci Bullock, 506 Sunset Drive, stated that there is a new car wash and dispensary being built on Broadway and the field behind the houses and the building sites has tall weeds. She is worried about hazards, fire risks and wildlife issues.

David Goodson, 1640 Hedge Apple Drive, stated that their Facebook group is called "Seeing Sedalia Succeed". He thanked City Council members who were able to meet with him to discuss issues, however, none of the issues are being fixed or addressed. Mr. Goodson believes that if businesses were run the way the City is, they would not be in business. He feels there are three positions in the City responsible for the major damage. If growth is expected, make Sedalia more inviting to do business, have growth and developers who want to come here. Important vacancies should include input from citizens to vet candidates to make the appropriate hire and not be a succession plan.

Susan Friese, 1800 East 22<sup>nd</sup>, stated she recently called to complain about a neighbor at 1820 Appletree Lane. He owns a business and is always bringing in large equipment and piping, some of which is stored in his back yard. Eaglebrook Farm is zoned residential. She was told by the City that it is legal to operate a business out of a person's home. According to Section 63-37, regarding residential neighborhoods, "the single-family residential district is intended to provide for low density residential use area developed in a manner that reflects suburban character." Operating a business in a home may be legitimate but bringing in large equipment and materials is not. Ms. Friese asked that the City enforce Ordinances and State Laws that have been passed.

Gary Lobaugh, 821 South Arlington, requested information about the Washington Street Bridge and would like to know if it will be repaired or replaced. He would like it to be fixed so that people have adequate response time now.

Cory City, 1804 South Park, stated that a month ago he requested a list of properties for sale by the City and inquired if it was available yet. The issue with weeds at the corner of Grand and Wilkerson is still not addressed. Mr. City inquired if there is a way to view the ISO scoring. Providing audio of meetings held through the week would be helpful and timely uploading of Council meetings would be great.


Debbie Covington, 2601 East 12<sup>th</sup>, requested that all City meetings be live streamed on the Sedalia Facebook page and website. She asked if City Council was aware that the Landfill is dumping Leachate into the Wastewater Treatment plant which she claims came straight from DNR. She asked if any decision has been made regarding the Water Treatment facilities and if the City will be asking for an additional \$10 Million if they go with Plan B.

Jim Marcum, 21524 Main Street Road, stated he has been speaking with Pettis County Fire Chief Mike Harding about ways they can assist on the North side through mutual aid. They have a station north of town by NuCor and would be glad to assist with fire coverage.

Kevin Lujin, 408 West 22<sup>nd</sup>, commented that when speakers are close to the mic you can hear them much better particularly when watching via YouTube or Facebook. He works at the Windsor Review, Cole Camp Courier and the Lincoln New Era and with the challenges in media now he would encourage City and County to help support local media. He invited any interested Council Members to come speak at the Pachyderm Club. Mr. Lujin commented that this is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ozark Music Festival and the documentary will be shown in Independence, MO on July 19-21, 2024.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. on motion by Oldham, seconded by Foster. Roll Call Vote: Voting "Yes" were Robinson, Oldham, Marshall, Hiller, Cross, Foster and Bloess. No one Voted "No". Boggess was Absent.

THE CITY OF SEDALIA, MISSOURI



Andrew L. Dawson, Mayor



Jason S. Myers, City Clerk