

The City Council of the City of Mattoon held a rescheduled meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers on February 6, 2014.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following members of the Council answered roll call physically present: YEA Commissioner Dave Cox, YEA Commissioner Sandra Graven, YEA Commissioner Rick Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Preston Owen, and Absent Mayor Tim Gover.

Also physically present were City personnel: City Administrator Kyle Gill, City Attorney Janett Winter-Black, Finance Director/Treasurer Beth Wright, Public Works Director Dean Barber, Deputy Fire Chief Sean Junge, Police Chief Jeff Branson, and City Clerk Susan J. O'Brien.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Owen seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the regular meeting January 21, 2014; bills and payroll for the last half of January, 2014.

**Bills and Payroll for the  
last half of January, 2014**

**General Fund**

Payroll		\$	234,254.85
Bills		\$	<u>73,880.34</u>
	Total	\$	308,135.19

**Hotel Tax Administration**

Payroll		\$	2,330.24
Bills		\$	<u>8,068.73</u>
	Total	\$	10,398.97

**Festival Management**

Bills		\$	<u>4,047.78</u>
	Total	\$	4,047.78

**Insurance & Tort Judgment**

Bills		\$	<u>275.00</u>
	Total	\$	275.00

**Midtown TIF Fund**

Bills		\$	<u>371.25</u>
	Total	\$	371.25

**Capital Projects Fund**

Bills		\$	<u>309.00</u>
	Total	\$	309.00

**Water Fund**

Payroll		\$	37,898.27
Bills		\$	<u>52,379.60</u>
	Total	\$	90,277.87

	<b><u>Sewer Fund</u></b>		
Payroll		\$	38,006.21
Bills		\$	<u>20,370.89</u>
	Total	\$	58,377.10
	<b><u>Heath Insurance Fund</u></b>		
Bills		\$	<u>182,950.86</u>
	Total	\$	182,950.86
	<b><u>Motor Fuel</u></b>		
Bills		\$	<u>15,764.42</u>
	Total	\$	15,764.42

Mayor Pro Tem Owen declared the motion to approve the consent agenda carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Owen, Absent Mayor Gover.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for public comments or questions with no response.

Presentation by John Blake & Donna Vojensky from COM2 on State-mandated electronic recycling was postponed until next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1484, approving the plans and specifications of the 9<sup>th</sup> Street Drainage Project – final phase of the Southside Drainage Project.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for discussion. Mayor Pro Tem Owen inquired as to an estimate. Director Barber stated \$450,000.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Owen, Absent Mayor Gover.

Commissioner Graven seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1485, approving the plans and specifications of the 2014 Oil & Chip contract.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for comments or discussion which was followed with no response.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Owen, Absent Mayor Gover.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen seconded by Commissioner Hall moved to approve Council Decision Request 2014-1486, approving an interfund transfer from the South Route 45 Business District Fund to the South Route 45 TIF District Fund in the amount of \$45,000.00 to correct a deficit left in the South Route 45 TIF District Fund.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for discussion or comments. Commissioner Cox inquired as to the transfer being a common occurrence. Administrator Gill stated affirmatively since its inception with an increase due to the Quality Inn's reduced assessed value. Commissioner Graven inquired as to the Budget Inn. Administrator Gill noted some remodeling but nothing considerable.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Owen, Absent Mayor Gover.

#### DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CITY ADMINISTRATOR/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT –noted various meetings, continued work on the budgets and labor negotiations. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

CITY ATTORNEY – had nothing new to report. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

CITY CLERK - noted work on the budgets, FOIAs, various reports, personnel issues, and W/C Audit preparation. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

FINANCE – noted work on the budgets and a meeting with Administrator Gill and Speer Financial for bond refunding. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

PUBLIC WORKS – explained long-range planning for the TIF districts and public meetings where Council could attend. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with Commissioner Cox inquiring when the meeting would take place. Director Barber planned a meeting during the week of the February 17<sup>th</sup>.

FIRE – Deputy Fire Chief Junge noted completion of the budget and preparation for the union contract proposal. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

POLICE – noted submittal of the Mattoon Police Department budget. Mayor Pro Tem Owen opened the floor for questions with no response.

#### COMMENTS BY THE COUNCIL

Commissioner Graven acknowledged the good job Public Works did on snow removal and thanked the Journal Gazette for the snow removal article. Commissioner Cox acknowledged a good job on all crews and Parks Superintendent Kurt Stretch, Fire Department, and Police Department. Commissioner Hall had no further comment. Mayor Pro Tem Owen noted consideration of the number of current employees doing the work with half the employees the City had several years ago.

Commissioner Hall seconded by Commissioner Cox moved to adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Owen declared the motion carried by the following vote: YEA Commissioner Cox, YEA Commissioner Graven, YEA Commissioner Hall, YEA Mayor Pro Tem Owen, Absent Mayor Gover.

/s/ Susan J. O'Brien  
City Clerk