

**O'FALLON CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
July 7, 2008**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mayor Gary Graham who then led "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag."

Philip Goodwin, City Clerk, called the roll: Nila Grogan, present; Mary Schmidt, present; Ed True, present; Dan Polites, present; Rick Reckamp, present; Jerry Mouser, present; John Drolet, excused; Allen Medford, present; Michael Bennett, present; Dennis Renner, present; Steve Engler, present; Ned Drolet, present; John West, excused; Jerry Albrecht, present. A quorum was declared present.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve the minutes of June 16, 2008. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled.

RESIDENTS: No one came forward.

REPORTS:

Clerk's Report: City Clerk Goodwin read a request from the O'Fallon Knights of Columbus to conduct a roadblock on Friday, September 19th from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. and on Saturday, September 20th from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 on the corner of State/Smiley and State/Lincoln.

A. Medford inquired whether it was approved last time during rush hour on Friday. The consensus was that it had not. City Clerk Goodwin said they had an alternate request to go 8:00 a.m. – noon on both days.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by N. Grogan to approve the roadblock for only 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for both days. All ayes, except for N. Drolet, who voiced his opposition. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Graham congratulated D. Polites on his hole-in-one, which was taped during his golf pro show. The Council also congratulated Mayor Graham on his recent hole-in-one.

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to consider Resolutions 1 – 3 under the Omnibus Agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to approve Resolutions Items 1 - 3 under the previous Omnibus Agreement.

ITEM 1 – Resolution Approving and Accepting a Subdivision of Land to be known as the Minor Subdivision of Oberneufemann Corners

ITEM 2 – Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Shiloh for Joint Park and Recreation Services

ITEM 3 – Resolution Authorizing the City to Pay St. Clair County a Total of \$217,054.80 as a 20% Match and Additional Obligated Funds for the Public Safety Interoperable Communications Grant

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Mayor Graham welcomed a boy scout who was in attendance working on his merit badge.

ORDINANCES:

1st Readings

M. Bennett expressed his concern with the Handlebar Grill, and whether it was a biker's bar or at least, is based on a bike theme. J. Mouser responded that it will have a drive-thru window and does not believe it will become a problem. They plan to have outdoor seating. The owner of the bar was in the audience and stated that it will be a nice grill with a motorsports theme, and that there will be liquor sales, but it is mainly a restaurant. They expect 51% of their sales to be from food. He added that it will not have a motorcycle theme. Mayor Graham brought up that they have not applied for a liquor license yet. He added that the Planning Commission did add restrictions.

R. Reckamp said that the owner made a very good presentation at the committee meeting and fulfilled all the requirements.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to consider Ordinances 4, 5, 6, and 7 under the Omnibus Agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

ITEM 4 – Ord. Amending Ord. 623, Zoning Districts regarding the Handlebar Grill

ITEM 5 – Ord. Amending Ord. 623, Zoning Districts regarding Car Credit City

ITEM 6 – Ord. Amending City Zoning Regulations, Chapter 42, Art. 2, Relating to Funeral or Mortuary Services including Accessory Crematorium as a Permitted Use in the B-1 Community Business District

ITEM 7 – Ord. Amending Chapter 78, No Parking Zone, East Side of School Street

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve Ordinance Items 4 -7 under the previous Omnibus Agreement.

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

2nd Readings

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by N. Grogan to place on 2nd Reading an Ord. Annexing Property Located at 451 N. Seven Hills Road containing approximately 41.49 acres.

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by J. Albrecht to place on 2nd Reading an Ord. Authorizing the City to Purchase Real Estate Located at 209 Hartman Lane.

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

D. Renner commended the Council again on the work on this ordinance. He hopes that the Central School administration will clear up any misunderstandings on the transaction.

M. Bennett asked for clarification on Car Credit City on whether there would be a sidewalk running along St. Ellen Drive. T. Shekell said there would be a sidewalk.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Community Development: J. Mouser stated his committee met on June 23, 2008 and the minutes are in the packet.

The next meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m. on July 14, 2008.

Public Works: A. Medford said that his committee met. A. Medford made a motion seconded by J. Mouser to approve the low bidder, Midwest Meter, Inc., in the amount of \$10,192.

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

He stated that the next meeting is scheduled for July 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Public Safety: E. True said that the next meeting is July 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Finance/Administration: A. Medford said that the finance committee met before the Council meeting to review the warrant. Motion was made by A. Medford and seconded by E. True to pay Warrant #163 in the amount of \$1,138,989.40.

ROLL CALL: Grogan, aye; Schmidt, aye; E. True, aye; D. Polites, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; A. Medford, aye; N. Drolet, aye; S. Engler, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; J. Albrecht, aye. All Ayes. Motion carried.

Parks and Environment: J. Albrecht stated that the minutes are in the packet, but the July 14th meeting is cancelled.

J. Albrecht said he recently visited Poland and did an Indian encampment with the children, which they enjoyed. He presented a shirt from the Mayor of the County in Poland. Mayor Graham said that the mayor from Poland had invited him over to visit and sent him a video of their town. Their mayor would like us to become a sister city with them, but they are much bigger.

N. Drolet stated that two individuals were apprehended for the vandalism at Thoman Park. He hopes they have learned a lesson.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by A. Medford and seconded by N. Grogan to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Submitted by,

Philip A. Goodwin, City Clerk

*Minutes taken by
Maryanne Fair, Deputy City Clerk
Proper notice having been duly given*