

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN COUNTY, MISSOURI
MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2015**

INTRODUCTORY ITEMS:

The Regular Meeting of the City of Washington, Missouri, City Council was held on Monday, December 7, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber. Mayor Sandy Lucy opened the meeting with roll call and Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor:	Sandy Lucy	Present
Council Members: Ward I	Steve Sullentrup	Present
	Walter Meyer	Present
Ward II	Jeff Mohesky	Present
	Mark Hidritch	Present (7:02 p.m.)
Ward III	Jeff Patke	Present
	Greg Skornia	Present
Ward IV	Josh Brinker	Present
	Joe Holtmeier	Present

Also Present:	City Attorney	Mark Piontek
	City Administrator	James Briggs
	Assistant City Administrator/ Public Works Director	Brian Boehmer
	City Clerk	Mary Trentmann
	Police Captain	Ed Menefee
	City Engineer	Dan Boyce
	Economic Development Director	Darren Lamb
	Public Works Superintendent	Kevin Quaethem
	Finance Manager	Mary Sprung
	Library Director	Jackie Hawes

Originals and/or copies of agenda items of the meeting, including recorded votes are available on record in the office of the City Clerk. Each ordinance is read a minimum of twice by title, unless otherwise noted.

Approval of Minutes:

* Approval of the Minutes from the November 16, 2015 Council Meeting

A motion to accept the minutes as presented was made by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Brinker, passed without dissent.

Approval and Adjustment of Agenda including Consent Agenda:

* Payments of over \$40,000 (+): *United Health Care \$130,000.00 Estimated January Health Insurance premium; LAGERS \$60,000.00 Estimated December wage benefits (2 pay periods); Ameren UE \$105,000.00 Estimated November energy usage; UMB Bank, NA. Trust*

\$96,641.01 December debt service payment Sewer Revenue Bonds – 2007B; Electric Unlimited \$145,500.00 Payment #1 – WWTP Electrical Modification

- * August 2015 Treasurer's Report
- * September 2015 Treasurer's Report
- * Annual Treasurer's Report – October 2014 – September 2015
- * Lewis, Rice L.L.C. October 2015 invoice
- * Final Pay Request – Scheer Landscape Company – Grounds Maintenance Services
- * Change Order # 1 & Pay Request – N.B. West Contracting Co. – Ultrathin Bonded Wearing Surface & Related Concrete Work

A motion to accept and approve the agenda including the consent agenda accordingly was made by Councilmember Brinker, seconded by Councilmember Holtmeier, passed without dissent.

PRIORITY ITEMS:

- * Employee Insurance Renewal:

December 3, 2015

Honorable Mayor and City Council

City of Washington

Washington, Missouri 63090

RE: Employee Insurance Renewals

Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The City's Administration Department recommends the following for renewal of the employee insurance benefits:

1. *Health – UHC/HMO – 5.4% increase + Increase in Benefits*
 - a. *ER visit from \$200 to \$300 Co-pay*
 - b. *RX from \$8, \$25, \$45 to \$10, \$35, \$60 Co-pay**With the option for employees to “buy up” should they want the PPO Plan.*
2. *Dental – Stay with Guardian – 0% Increase*
 - a. *With voluntary vision coverage purchased by employee*
 - Employee Only \$7.95 monthly*
 - Employee + Spouse \$15.96 monthly*
 - Employee + Children \$16.00 monthly*
 - Family \$25.33 monthly*
3. *Life - Stay with Guardian – 0% Increase*

Scott Schroepfer with Schroepfer Bauer Insurance will be at the Council meeting to answer any questions you may have.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Trentmann

City Clerk/H.R. Manager

Jim Briggs goes over the options. The renewal under the current plan would mean a 9.9% increase. This can be brought down to 5.4% with higher co-pay for ER visits and prescribed medication. Also met with MIRMA; they started with a self-insured pool program this year. Their rates were about 5% higher than the current rates under a 3 year contract. Recommendation

to continue with current plan with the 5.4% increase. The two options from United Healthcare will be presented to the employees; they will choose what option they want to go with as a total group. The cost for the City will stay the same with either option.

City would like to implement a wellness program where employees would have a yearly wellness visit. If they do not do this, they will have to pay a \$10 fee per month the following year. If they smoke, there will be an additional \$10 charge per month. This money would go in the plan for the City's contribution.

Retirees can join the group but they have to pay all the premiums.

A motion to accept and approve the Employee Insurance Renewal with Wellness Program was made by Councilmember Sullentrup, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

* Busch Creek Drainage Study Presentation:

John Nilges with BFA explains the findings of the feasibility study that was done between Highway 47 and South of Elm Street, past the brewery. Looked at what improvements can be done in the Busch Creek area, and the cost.

Recommendation to have the next phase of the study done by BFA. Next phase of the study will show more on who and how many parcels will be affected by this.

A copy of the report will be emailed to the Council.

A motion to proceed with the next phase of the study was made by Councilmember Patke, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

* Washington Tourism Commission Reappointment:

November 25, 2015

Honorable Mayor and City Council

City of Washington

405 Jefferson Street

Washington, MO 63090

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The Washington Tourism Commission hereby submits for your approval the reappointment of Bridgette Kelch, to serve on the Tourism Commission. This commission will expire December 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

James A. Briggs

Secretary

MKT:

A motion to accept and approve the Reappointment was made by Councilmember Holtmeier, seconded by Councilmember Hidritch, passed without dissent.

Mayor's Presentations, Appointments & Re-Appointments

* Police Department Reserve Officer Appointment:

November 30, 2015

To The City Council

City of Washington
Washington, Missouri

Dear Council Members:

I herewith submit for your approval the following for appointment:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>APPOINTED</u>	<u>TERM EXPIRES</u>
Christofer Henson Reserve Officer	December 7, 2015	December 7, 2016

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Lucy

Mayor

MT:

A motion to accept and approve the Appointment was made by Councilmember Brinker, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

* None

CITIZENS DISCUSSIONS

* None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

* None

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

* None

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS

Bill No. 15-11463, Ordinance No. 15-11472, an ordinance amending Section 200.090 of the Code of the City of Washington, Missouri relating to the qualifications for the Chief of Police.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Hidritch.

The change is that in lieu of a degree in criminal justice, equivalent field experience is also accepted.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Meyer-aye, Skornia-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Patke-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Mohesky-aye, Hidritch-aye, Brinker-aye.

Bill No. 15-11464, Ordinance No. 15-11473, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of Supplemental Agreement No. 1 with Buescher Frankenberg Associates, Inc. for construction services for the reconstruction of the Jefferson Street Bridge over Busch Creek Project.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Brinker.

This ordinance deletes the amount for the construction services contract after entering into a new contract with BFA.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Meyer-aye, Skornia-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Patke-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Mohesky-aye, Hidritch-aye, Brinker-aye.

Bill No. 15-11465, Ordinance No. 15-11474, an ordinance authorizing and directing the execution of a contract with Buescher Frankenberg Associates, Inc. for construction of the Jefferson Street Bridge over Busch Creek Project.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Holtmeier.

This is for a 20/80 grant; 20% would be the City cost.

Project is advertised on the MoDOT website and will be posted in newspaper; bids are due January 8.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Meyer-aye, Skornia-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Patke-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Mohesky-aye, Hidritch-aye, Brinker-aye.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

Bill No. 15-141466, Ordinance No. 15-11475, an ordinance approving the Final Plat of Hannover Place, in the City of Washington, Franklin County, Missouri.

The ordinance was introduced by Councilmember Sullentrup.

Only requirement left for the enhancement is the detention basin at the Knights of Columbus. There will be money in the performance grant for this to ensure it gets done by next spring. Final plat includes the age requirement for it to be senior housing.

After a brief discussion, the ordinance was read a second time and approved on the following vote; Meyer-aye, Skornia-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Patke-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Mohesky-aye, Hidritch-aye, Brinker-aye.

MAYOR'S REPORT

- * The senior housing project off of Highway 100 received approval for the tax credits.
- * This is probably the last Council meeting of the year unless something urgent comes up.
- * Councilman Meyer would like to get an answer on the problem his daughter, Lisa Brown, has been having with a retaining wall and the City.

Mark Piontek explains that this is in litigation and it should not be discussed in an open meeting. This will be discussed in the executive session.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

- * Last week for leaf pickup.
- * Jack Brinker will go out for bids on the replacement of the tractor.
- * Members of the Rural Fire Association have filed for the formation of a Fire Protection District. This will probably be on the April ballot.
- * Trailers are being removed from the trailer park. Most of them should be out by the end of the year.

- * Damage to the walls from the roof; pictures will be sent to the insurance.
- * Kevin Quaethem gives a brief report on delinquent accounts. He also gives an update on the upgrades at the treatment plant, required by the insurance.
- * Should have an update on the access for the new bridge in January.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Public vote on whether or not to hold a closed meeting to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters pursuant to Section 610.021 RSMo (2000) passed at 7:54 p.m. on the following roll call vote; Meyer-aye, Skornia-aye, Sullentrup-aye, Patke-aye, Holtmeier-aye, Mohesky-aye, Hidritch-aye, Brinker-aye.

The regular session reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made at 8:41 p.m. by Councilmember Sullentrup, seconded by Councilmember Patke, passed without dissent.

Adopted: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

President of City Council

Passed: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Mayor of Washington, Missouri