

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2022
6:00 P.M.**

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2022 in the Council Chambers of the City Office Building, 214 N. Lafayette, Marshall, MO 65340, with the following members present: Mayor Dewey Hendrix; Council Members Leon Thompson, Tim Reeder, Drew Green, Charles Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Dan Brandt and Steve Cook; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Josh Taylor and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member Robert Ashford excused absent.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Green, to adopt the agenda as written. A roll call vote was taken with Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Reeder and Green voting aye; Ashford excused absent. Motion carried.

Council Member Green made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to approve the Special Session minutes of September 6, 2022 and Regular Session minutes of September 6, 2022. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green and Guthrey voting aye; Ashford excused absent. Motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no business from the audience.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Leon Thompson reported August revenues at \$2,157,831 with \$1,308,048 of that being ARPA funds that were received. The City received a total of \$2.6 million of ARPA funds from the Federal Government with the second round of the funding being \$1.295 million. Non-ARPA revenue is at \$849,783 which is slightly above the budgeted prediction of \$772,093. Year to date revenues are at \$13,562,738 or 113.58% of budgeted amounts.

Expenses for August are at \$821,081 which is slightly below budgeted amounts. Year to date expenses are \$12,466,102 or 104.61% above budgeted amounts. We are trending above budget due to flood expenses.

The City has received a total of \$2.6 million in ARPA funding. Some of the money has been used for technology building and the purchase of the old hospital building along with setting aside funds for the building demolition. The purpose of the funding is to grow and repair our city.

Council Member Leon Thompson discussed several proposed projects using ARPA funds including storm drain projects, sidewalk projects and a city-wide master plan.

City Administrator JD Kehrman explained the City is able to make our ARPA funding grow by utilizing grant opportunities created by the State of Missouri.

Council Member Leon Thompson reported the 2022-2023 budget process is near completion. Revenues are stagnating and expenses are going up; the City is feeling the pinch of inflation.

City Administrator JD Kehrman and Finance Director Aimee Klinge have done a good job along with Department Directors and the Budget Committee members. The Council will hold a Work Session on Monday, September 26, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. to go over the proposed budget prior to passage.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

No report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Council Member Reeder gave the Police Department report for the month of August:

Traffic Stops: 135
Citations 22
Arrests 10

Warrants:
Municipal Court 14

Officers Calls for Service: 1,176
Top calls for month – verbal disturbances, suspicious activities, animals and 911 calls

Police Reports Taken: 141 Arrests: 45

Public Relations:

Marshall Owls Homecoming will be September 23rd. The parade will begin at 2 p.m. and kick-off is at 7 p.m.

Remember, if you are attending the game, do not park in the Deer Creek Apartments parking lot or on Miami Avenue.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Brandt reported a total of 1058 Airport Activities during the month of August, that number was down from last year's August total of 1152. Total year to date activities are up from last year's year to date total with 4 months to go. This year's total will surpass last year.

The Solid Waste Summary for August reported a total of 743 tons collected.

Council Member Brandt reported residential can delivery is expected to begin in about a month. The Municipal Services Committee will meet soon to discuss the delivery process.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

City Administrator JD Kehrman reported the budget is ready to deliver, it is a good product. He and Finance Director Aimee Klinge have gone to great lengths to reflect the actual cost of doing business.

He complimented Ms. Klinge for excelling at creating a formula for departmental administrative fees.

Council Member Thompson inquired about the building on Arrow Street that is beginning to collapse.

Administrator Kehrman said he met with the owner last week, demolition should begin within the next two weeks. The owner is open to discuss possible redevelopment of the site.

Council Member Green asked for an update on a complaint about nuisance properties received at the last Council meeting.

Mr. Kehrman said the City-owned lot has been mowed. The other lots have been forwarded to the Inspection Department for the Code Enforcement process to begin. The Code Enforcement process requires proper notice and due process. If the nuisance is not abated, it will go to a hearing before the Board of Building Code Enforcement to make a determination of either more time to be allowed or the City will clean up.

Code Official Mike Morgan will be retiring in November and the Code Office is looking to revise their process regarding identifying nuisance violations and eventual abatement. If citizens are aware of nuisance properties, please call us to report the violations.

Council Members discussed the nuisance abatement process.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Hendrix said he is appreciative of the work the Budget Committee has done on the proposed budget. He thanked Finance Director Aimee Klinge and City Administrator JD Kehrman for all of their hard work on the budget as well.

APPOINTMENT

BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS:

Mayor Hendrix stated the Board of Examiners of Electricians has requested to appoint Will Norman to fill the remainder of the unexpired term of Richard Stark, who resigned on September 9, 2022. The term of Mr. Norman will expire April 1, 2023.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Craig Thompson, to approve the appointment as presented. A roll call vote was taken with Cook, Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye; Ashford excused absent. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, APPROVING THE ANNUAL OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE CITY’S BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Reeder, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Leon Thompson, Reeder, Green, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt and Cook voting aye; Ashford excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council, approved by the Mayor and numbered Ordinance No. 8700.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Reeder made a motion, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Reeder, Green, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Ashford excused absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8701 entitled “AN ORDINANCE MAKING THE APPROPRIATION FOR THE PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS OUT OF THE DIFFERENT CITY FUNDS” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Guthrey. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson and Reeder voting aye; Ashford excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

Council Member Green said we have some narrow streets in town with cars parking on both sides and not all of those streets have sidewalks. Some of the streets are dangerous so he would like to look into the issue to see if parking restrictions should be put into place in certain areas.

There being no other Council Business, Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Craig Thompson, to adjourn the meeting. A roll call vote was taken with Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Reeder and Green voting aye; Ashford excused absent. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Julie A. Lewis
City Clerk