

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 6, 2023
6:00 P.M.

The Marshall City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 2023 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, Drew Green, Robert Ashford, Charles Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Dan Brandt and Steve Cook; City Administrator JD Kehrman, City Counselor Josh Taylor and City Clerk Julie Lewis. Council Member Phil Perkins excused absent.

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

Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Ashford, to approve Regular Session minutes of February 21, 2023. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. Motion carried.

BUSINESS FROM THE AUDIENCE

There was no business from the audience.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND CODE COMMITTEE:

Council Member Ashford reported a total of 19 code violations during the month of February.

The Board of Building Code Enforcement will meet on March 22, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Council Member Green gave the Fire Department Report for the month of February:

Fire Incidents – 11 (Building Fire – 5)
Rescue & EMS Incidents – 18
Hazardous Conditions Incidents – 1
Service Calls – 15
Good Intent Calls – 1
False Alarm & False Calls – 3
Special Incidents – 1

Council Member Green said he is still working on the ATV/UTV ordinance with City Counselor Josh Taylor.

Council Member Green met with Chief Donnell regarding public service and communication with citizens.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:

Council Member Brandt gave the following storm water tip:

Not all stormwater that falls on your property soaks into the ground. As water flows off your property, it can wash pollutants, such as soil, lawn chemicals and pet waste into where we fish, what we drink and where we swim. It's up to all of us to protect our local rivers, lakes and creeks from polluted runoff. Clean water starts with you! Report any dumping into the stormwater system by calling 660-886-3945.

PROPERTY, FINANCE, BUDGET AND AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Council Member Leon Thompson reported February's revenue at \$1,154,868 and February's expenses at \$691,681. Year-to-date revenue is at \$7,358,240 or 56% of budgeted amounts and year-to-date expenses are at \$4,889,909 or 34% of budgeted amounts.

Council Member Leon Thompson clarified the city's sale tax rate is 2 cents with 1 cent going into the general fund, one half cent going to the park and another one half cent that was approved by voters in 2015 going into the general fund. Of the 1 cent general fund sales tax, .65 cents was distributed into the street fund and the remaining .35 cents stayed in the general fund. This year .35 cents is going into street and .65 stays in the general fund.

The general fund feeds the administration, fire department, police department and street department.

Council Members discussed sales tax funds and distribution.

Council Member Leon Thompson spoke about the annual audit process.

Finance Director Aimee Klinge said the process is near completion, audit books will be published soon.

Council Member Green discussed sales tax funds and budget estimates.

Finance Director Aimee Klinge spoke about budget estimates and budget amendments.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

City Administrator JD Kehrman asked Finance Director Aimee Klinge to clarify the RTS billing issues.

Finance Director Aimee Klinge provided handouts with step by step details of the RTS billing issues and gave a brief explanation of the procedure.

Council Member Green discussed the issues and possible remedies.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Hendrix gave an update on the Railroad crossing upgrades and closures. Railroad crossings at Benton, English and Jefferson will be closed to thru traffic while the other crossings will get updated technology. High Street from Miami to English will become a truck route. Funding for the project will be provided through Federal grants.

Public Hearings will be held in the near future. If citizens have questions or concerns, please contact the Mayor.

EVENT REQUEST

Mayor Hendrix said the Missouri Department of Mental Health would like to request the use and closure of streets around the square for their "Out of the Darkness Suicide Awareness Walk" taking place on October 7, 2023 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. A detailed request was included in the Council packets.

Police Chief Donnell indicated no issues with the event.

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

DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE FOLLOW UP

BID – SALE OF 2004 CHEVROLET S-10 PICK UP TRUCK:

Bids were received for the sale of a 2004 Chevrolet S-10 pick up truck and it is the recommendation to accept the bid of Toby Rich in the amount of \$2,200.00.

Council Member Craig Thompson made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to accept the bid of Toby Rich in the amount of \$2,200.00 for the 2004 Chevrolet S-10 pick up truck. A roll call vote was taken with Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green and Ashford voting aye; Perkins excused absent. Motion carried.

BID – MARSHALL MUNICIPAL BAND REPLACEMENT MUSIC FOLDERS:

Bids were obtained for replacement music folders for the Marshall Municipal Band. It is the recommendation to accept the bid of Vox Box in the amount of \$2,209.00. A bid submitted by J.W. Pepper does not meet bid specifications.

Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Ashford, to accept the bid of Vox Box in the amount of \$2,209.00 for replacement music folders. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye; Perkins excused absent. Motion carried.

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ANNUAL REPORT

Marshall Municipal Utilities General Manager Jeff Bergstrom gave Marshall Municipal Utilities annual report.

Highlights from 2022 include:

- Upgrades to the aeration basins and final clarifiers at the Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Southeast Substation transformer and switchgear replacement
- USDA ReConnect broadband high-speed internet service installation in rural areas
- Administrative Services Department utility wide software conversion

A Peer Review was conducted by MPUA and indicated good operations and management. Some recommendations were included in the review, to date most recommendations have been completed.

Repairs have been made to the Wastewater Treatment Plant after suffering major flood damage. MMU has received reimbursement for the repairs from FEMA and is awaiting reimbursement from SEMA.

A sanitary sewer system flow study has been initiated to mitigate the negative effects of inflow and infiltration, which has been an ongoing issue.

Council Members discussed MMU operations.

Council Member Brandt suggested Council Members tour the Wastewater Treatment Plant once all upgrades and repairs are completed.

A copy of the Marshall Municipal Utilities Annual Report is on file in the City Clerk's office.

MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) PROGRAM UPDATE

Council Member Brandt read the following update on the status of the City of Marshall Stormwater Program:

Under the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit issued by MDNR, the City is required to take steps for reducing nonpoint source pollution from stormwater runoff. These steps are divided into six areas: public outreach and education, public involvement, illicit discharge detection and elimination, construction site runoff control, post-construction runoff control and good housekeeping in municipal operations.

One specific permit requirement is to provide the City Council with an annual update on the status of the program.

For many years, the City has had an active public outreach and education program where we have distributed information about stormwater quality protection through several mediums to several audiences. We continue to encourage our residents to always remember "Only rain down the drain". This year that included: information on the City web site, Facebook posts, Chamber of Commerce newsletter tips, direct mail to landscaping contractors about managing yard waste, working with elementary robotics clubs to recycle 600 pounds plastic and aluminum, properly disposing of several hundred gallons of household hazardous waste, properly disposing of almost 7000 loads of composted yard waste, teaching 65 second graders about pollution prevention, letting over 200 citizens "touch a truck", and maintaining dog waste stations throughout the park system.

The City continues to investigate, trace and assist with the elimination of illicit discharges. These are when anything ends up in the stormwater collection system that is not stormwater. This past year, there were twelve reports investigated and resolved. The City did not complete the required dry weather field screening due to staff turnover and shortage. Our consultant will be working to train staff on this work so this can be corrected in the coming reporting year.

The stormwater program also works to reduce pollutants from construction projects both during construction and longer term. No significant new developments began during the reporting period but there was engineering plan review for possible future development. It also came to our attention that some existing detention facilities haven't been inspected so our consultant will be training staff to do this in the coming reporting period.

The City continues to spend time training existing Municipal Services staff and new hires on good housekeeping procedures for stormwater quality protection. We have identified a missing training component as field staff for Parks and Utilities are required to be similarly trained. We will be working on correcting this gap in the training program in the coming year. In 2022, we updated

the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan and Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure Plan for the airport as well as writing these required documents for the new Municipal Services fueling station. Staff also worked to reduce pollutants by completing almost 600 hours of street sweeping, over 400 hours of stormwater inlet cleaning, and over 1000 hours of picking up litter from the right-of-way.

ORDINANCES

Ordinance No. 8736 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS, AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATIONS OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8233 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Guthrey, seconded by Ashford. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8737 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE; REGULATING AND GOVERNING ENERGY-EFFICIENT BUILDING ENVELOPES AND INSTALLATION OF ENERGY-EFFICIENT MECHANICAL, LIGHTING AND POWER SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8234 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Green, seconded by Leon Thompson. A roll call vote was taken with Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8738 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE REPAIR, ALTERATION, CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY, ADDITION AND RELOCATION OF EXISTING BUILDINGS, INCLUDING

HISTORIC BUILDINGS, IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Craig Thompson, seconded by Leon Thompson. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8739 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE SAFEGUARDING OF LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS ARISING FROM THE STORAGE, HANDLING AND USE OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES, MATERIALS AND DEVICES; AND FROM CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE OR PROPERTY IN THE OCCUPANCY OF BUILDINGS AND PREMISES IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8236 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson and Green voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8740 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING FUEL GAS SYSTEMS AND GAS-FIRED APPLIANCES IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8237 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Ashford, seconded by Craig Thompson. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8741 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, ERECTION, INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LOCATION, RELOCATION, REPLACEMENT, ADDITION TO, USE OR MAINTENANCE OF MECHANICAL SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8238 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Guthrey, seconded by Leon Thompson. A roll call vote

was taken with Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8742 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, ERECTION, INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LOCATION, RELOCATION, REPLACEMENT, ADDITION TO, USE OR MAINTENANCE OF PLUMBING SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8239 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Green, seconded by Brandt. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8743 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, ERECTION, INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LOCATION, RELOCATION, REPLACEMENT, ADDITION TO, USE OR MAINTENANCE OF INDIVIDUAL SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8240 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Craig Thompson, seconded by Guthrey. A roll call vote was taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson and Green voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8744 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE, AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH EXISTING STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8241 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Green, seconded by

Leon Thompson. A roll call vote was taken with Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford and Guthrey voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8745 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, ADOPTING THE 2021 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONSTRUCTION, ALTERATION, MOVEMENT, ENLARGEMENT, REPLACEMENT, REPAIR, EQUIPMENT, LOCATION, REMOVAL AND DEMOLITION OF DETACHED ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS AND MULTIPLE SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS (TOWNHOUSES) NOT MORE THAN THREE STORIES IN HEIGHT WITH SEPARATE MEANS OF EGRESS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8242 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Brandt, seconded by Ashford. A roll call vote was taken with Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8746 entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI ADOPTING THE 2020 EDITION OF THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, QUALITY OF MATERIALS, ERECTION, INSTALLATION, ALTERATION, REPAIR, LOCATION, RELOCATION, REPLACEMENT, ADDITION TO, USE OR MAINTENANCE OF ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS IN THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFOR; REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 8243 AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF LAWS IN CONFLICT THEREWITH” was given its second reading by title only and put to its final passage and approval upon motion of Craig Thompson, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

Ordinance No. 8747 entitled “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHALL AND JD KEHRMAN EXTENDING HIS EMPLOYMENT AS THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF MARSHALL” was given its second reading by title only.

Council Member Green made a motion to table the ordinance until July. There being no second, the motion died on the floor.

Council Member Ashford made a motion, seconded by Brandt to approve the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken with Ashford, Guthrey, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Craig

Thompson and Green voting nay; Perkins excused absent. The ordinance is thereupon declared passed and so endorsed by the President of the Council and approved by the Mayor.

An ordinance entitled “AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE EMPIRE DISTRICT GAS COMPANY D/B/A LIBERTY, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NATURAL GAS FRANCHISE AND THE AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, AND EXTEND A NATURAL GAS DISTRIBUTION PLANT AND SYSTEM, AND GRANTING THE RIGHT TO USE THE STREETS, ALLEYS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES WITHIN THE PRESENT OR FUTURE CORPORATE LIMITS OF MARSHALL, MISSOURI” was given its first reading by title only.

Council Member Leon Thompson explained the ordinance will provide for the renewal of a contract with Empire District Gas Company.

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

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 Guthrey made a motion, seconded by Brandt, to take the ordinance to a second reading. A roll call vote was taken with Brandt, Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford, Guthrey and Craig Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. Motion carried.

Ordinance No. 8748 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 Leon Thompson, seconded by Green. A roll call vote was taken with Cook, Leon Thompson, Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson and Brandt voting aye; Perkins 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 Guthrey inquired about residences on Lincoln where it appears someone has moved out and left a great deal of junk. He also questioned the inhabitability of certain structures.

City Administrator JD Kehrman said the owners have been contacted to arrange for removal of the junk. The Code Enforcement process will be started.

City Attorney Josh Taylor said the potentially uninhabitable structures are subject to the property maintenance code.

Council Member Cook stated there are very good podcasts regarding city operations and he would like to encourage everyone to listen; you can sign up through the City's website.

Council Member Green asked who is watching over the airport since there are no attendants at the location. He also inquired about the airport building roof damage.

City Administrator JD Kehrman said a cleaning service has been hired to clean the building. The roof repairs will be made near the end of March due to weather. He is also looking into the possibility of an Airport Manager to deal with all airport related issues.

Council Member Green asked about the sanitation commercial billing issues.

City Administrator Kehrman indicated there were some inconsistencies within the billing; they are working to make sure everyone is paying for the service that is provided.

Council Member Brandt made a motion, seconded by Ashford, to go into Executive Session concerning legal action, causes of actions or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorney, with the meeting being adjourned at the completion of such session. A roll call vote was taken with Green, Ashford, Guthrey, Craig Thompson, Brandt, Cook and Leon Thompson voting aye; Perkins excused absent. Motion carried and the meeting went into Executive Session at 7:19 p.m.

Julie A. Lewis
City Clerk

