

**Mayor & Board of Aldermen  
Betty Brazelton Community Center  
September 23, 2014 – 7:00 p.m.  
Minutes**

**1. Call To Order**

Mayor Gene Schoonover called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., September 23, 2014 in the Betty Brazelton Community Center at City Hall. Mayor Schoonover led the pledge to the flag.

**2. Roll Call**

Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass answered roll call. Other city personnel present were Dwight Adkison, John Wilson, Tara Flint, Joe Gagnon, Jeff Jones, Leroy Rader, Don Moore and Susie Freece.

Others present were Corey Strider, Karen Stout, David Peters, Whitney Westbrook, Amy and David Mac Ewen, Michele Wells, Virginia Rhodes and Stan Hendrix.

**3. Meeting Agenda**

Alderman Cindy Weers made the motion to add public participation to all agendas present and future. The motion died due to lack of a second.

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Mayor Schoonover asked that litigation be added to the agenda since information had been received too late to post on the agenda. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to add litigation to executive session. Alderman Leonard Eads seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**4. Phase Two Sidewalk Replacement Transportation Enhancement Grant Application**

Corey Strider was present to ask the City to consider a program asking adjacent business owners to pay a portion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of the sidewalk replacement project after costs of the project are determined.

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to hire Snyder and Associates to do the grant application for \$850.00 which must be postmarked on or before November 14, 2014 to the Missouri Department of Transportation. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**5. Cameron Historical Society CD – Michele Wells, Stan Hendrix, Virginia Rhodes**

The Cameron Historical Society presented DVDs to the City of Lathrop of short film clips restored from 16mm film shot 75 years ago entitled "Lathrop City Celebration Film-Circa 1939".

**6. Minutes**

a. Tax Levy Public Hearing August 19, 2014

Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014. Alderman Leonard Eads seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

b. Regular Board Meeting August 19, 2014

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the minutes of August 19, 2014. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr., seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

c. Special Board Meeting August 28, 2014

Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to approve the minutes of August 28, 2014. Alderman Leonard Eads seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**7. August Financial Report**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the August financial report. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**8. August Invoice/Check Listing**

Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to approve the August invoice/check listing. Alderman Leonard Eads seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**9. Reports**

Reports for the water system, police, public works and City Administrator were included in the monthly meeting packet for information and review by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

**10. Request for Tasting License**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the tasting license request from Samir A. Qureshi for Lathrop Tobacco & Liquor. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: Alderman Cindy Weers.

**11. Ordinance No. 1268 – Ameren Missouri Franchise Agreement**

Mayor Gene Schoonover introduced Ordinance No. 1268 being an ordinance to renew an existing franchise agreement with Ameren Missouri for a period of twenty years. Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the first reading. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion for the final reading. Alderman Leonard Eads seconded the motion

that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Alderman Gerald Snodgrass, Leonard Eads, Cindy Weers and Gerald Meppelink, Jr. Nay: none.

**12. Ordinance – Separating Water/Sewer Systems. Now listed with MDNR as Combined**  
This item has been continued to the September 30, 2014 special meeting.

**13. Approval of MDNR State Revolving Loan Fund Financing Documents/Elevated Tower Construction and Water Main Replacement Projects**  
This item has been continued to the September 30, 2014 special meeting.

**14. Sewer Line on Plattsburg Street**

Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to allow Veenstra & Kimm, Inc., to draw up specs to replace the sewer line and manholes between Elm and Ash Street. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye; Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**15. Approval of Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. to Prepare Anti-Degradation Analysis**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to allow Veenstra & Kimm, Inc., to proceed with the preparation of the Anti-Degradation Analysis which is required in the facility plan. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**16. Resolution Approving Facility Plan to Comply with AOC Requirements and Lagoon Operation and Permit Requirements**

Alderman Gerald Snodgrass made the motion to approve the resolution approving and adopting the Wastewater Facility Plan dated June 2014 as prepared by Veenstra & Kimm, Inc., and as presented to the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lathrop. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**17. State Revolving Loan Fund Application For Sewer System Upgrade**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the State Revolving Loan Fund Application for Sewer System Upgrade and allow Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. to start the preparation process for the SRF Application. Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Snodgrass, Leonard Eads, Cindy Weers and Gerald Meppelink, Jr. Nay: none.

**18. Approval of Settlement of Class Action Lawsuit by Century Link, Inc.**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to approve the settlement of the Class Action

Law Suit by Century Link, Inc., to include 5% to Missouri Municipal League for their participation in the law suit. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

**19. Alderman Comments** – Alderman Gerald Snodgrass reported on his attendance at the Missouri Municipal League Conference in St. Charles, Missouri.

**20. Mayor Comments** – none

**21. Executive Session**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to go into executive session for the discussion of Personnel-RSMO 610.021 (3), City Code Section 115.130; City Administrator Position and Litigation-RSMO 610-021 (1). Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr. seconded the motion that passed by the following roll call vote. Aye: Aldermen Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: none.

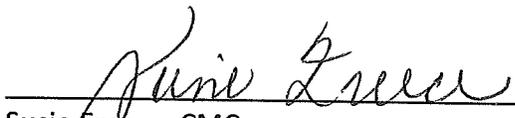
**22. Adjourn**

Alderman Leonard Eads made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Gerald Snodgrass seconded the motion that passed by the following vote. Aye: Alderman Gerald Meppelink, Jr., Cindy Weers, Leonard Eads and Gerald Snodgrass. Nay: one.

Approved this 21st day of October, 2014.

  
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Gene Schoonover, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Susie Freece, CMC