

Mitchellville City Council Proceedings
Regular Meeting – May 18, 2015

The Mitchellville City Council met in regular session at 7:01 pm in the council chambers of City Hall, 204 Center Ave. N., pursuant to notice.

Mayor Pro Tem Zook called the meeting to order, roll call, members present: McGhee, Crook, Thomas, and Engler.

A motion by Thomas to approved the tentative agenda, second by Engler. Motion carried unanimous.

A motion by Engler to approve the consent agenda approving, paying claims of \$82,740.45 includes 1 regular payroll, the 5-4-15 council minutes, and approving Casey's and Dollar General Applications for cigarette/tobacco permits, second by Crook. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Audience: None

A motion by Crook to open the Public Hearing on amending the current budget for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015 second by Thomas. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Hearing opened at 7:04 pm.

Public Comments: Jon Woods, 204 3rd St. NE, ask about the amendments of \$71, 602 for Public Safety and \$32,170 for Culture and Recreation. CFO Dillavou explained there was \$23,175 for Police excess revenues, which are hard to budget until year end and \$48,427 for expenses and insurance reimbursement for the fire in the Police/Fire garage. She explained the Library had expenditures of \$28,420 that were reimbursed from their Trust and Agency account, there was \$1,550.00 for the Defibrillator AED, the gas and electric at the Universalist Church and \$800.00 for the city parks. No other public comments.

A motion by Thomas to close the public hearing on amending the current budget, second by McGhee. Motion carried unanimous.

Public Hearing closed at 7:07 pm.

A motion by McGhee to approve Resolution 2015-24 amending the current budget for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, second by Engler. Motion carried unanimous.

Brandon Miller, 215 5th Ave NW did not attend the meeting. McGhee stated he had spoken with Mr. Miller and he understood he would need to request BOA meeting.

Sheri Roberts, 105 6th St NW, Chair of the Thomas Mitchell Days Committee gave updates and requested the usual street closing for the celebration. Permission was granted.

Ken Thomas, 109 2nd St. NE, stated he knew the city does not maintain the city alley ways but that he had maintained the alley behind his house for the last 17 years and requested the council allow him to purchase the alley way so he could make it a non-thru way or for the city to start maintaining it. He also stated there was a lot of illegal parking in the alley way during the Sunday auctions and people parking there so they could use the Library's Wi-Fi. He stated other residents block the alleys behind their property and nothing is done about it. McGhee pointed out his property is a little different because it is surrounded by commercial property. Zook stated the alley should be open and not sold. The council requested the Police department patrol it and to issue tickets for illegal parking. After much discussion it was determined the alley is not wide enough to make it a street, it cannot be privately owned because of City's utility mains are in it, and the City will not maintain it.

A motion by McGhee to approved Resolution 2015-25 approving the Letter of Agreement between ICIW and the Mitchellville Fire Department, second by Crook. Motion carried unanimous.

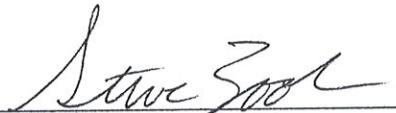
A motion by Thomas to approved Resolution 2015-26 updates and renewal of the 28E Agreement for Mutual Assistance for Polk County Fire/Rescue Services, second by McGhee. Motion carried unanimous.

A motion by McGhee to approve Ordinance 2111 increasing the rate by 2 cents for the Collection of Solid Waste, second by Thomas, Motion carried unanimous. A motion by McGhee to waive the second reading of Ordinance 2111, second by Zook. Motion carried unanimous. A motion by McGhee to waive the third reading of Ordinance 2111, second by Thomas. Motion carried unanimous.

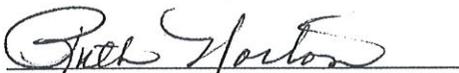
Ken Thomas, President of the Tree Board, state they had met and would like to recommend the City look at updating the Tree Ordinance to include the City being responsible for a four foot radius around the trees along Center Ave. This would include the upkeep, pruning, trimming and treating of the tress, as well the as the sidewalks within the four foot radius. After discussing the possible liabilities to the City it was decide to allow The City Tree Board Members to contact the city attorney.

Updates were given by Department heads and Council members.

Mayor Pro Tem Zook adjourned the meeting at 8:30 pm.


Steve Zook, Mayor ProTem

Attest:


Ruth Norton City Admin/Clerk