

City of Lincoln Regular Board Meeting
January 11, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.
Lincoln Community Building, 122 E. Main Street
Minutes

The Board of Aldermen of Lincoln, Missouri, met on January 11, 2016 at 7:00 P.M., at the City Hall in Lincoln, Missouri, where the following officials were present or absent as indicated:

	<u>Present/Absent</u>
Troy Bartley, Mayor	Present
Janice Swearngin, Alderwoman	Present
John King, Alderman	Present
J. D. Johnson, Alderman	Present
Rowena Lietzke, Alderwoman	Present

Others Present: Jack Lietzke, Katie Hollis, Kevin Moore, Scott Vogler, Nathan Lines, Loretta Szobodi, Public Works Director Dustin Koll, Police Chief Mickey Mittlestadt and City Clerk Barb Johnson.

Mayor Bartley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Opening Prayer: The opening prayer was given by Alderman Johnson.

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda: A motion to approve the agendas was made by Johnson and seconded by Swearngin. The motion passed with each member present voting Aye.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2015, budget meeting, December 14, 2015 Public Hearing and the December 14, 2015, regular meeting as written was made by Swearngin and seconded by R. Lietzke. The motion passed with each member present voting aye.

Bills: A motion to pay the bills as presented with the additions plus one for MECO Engineering – \$12,500 was made by Johnson and seconded by Lietzke. The motion passed with each member present voting aye.

Wastewater Project: Scott Vogler with MECO Engineering presented the council with the following information on the project: the total cost of the project is estimated to be \$4.8 million to be partially funded by a \$1.7 million USDA, Rural Development Grant, and a possible \$500,000 Community

Development Block Grant with the remainder needing to be in the form of a loan.

It was decided to hold a public meeting at 6:30 PM, prior to the February 8th council meeting, to discuss the bond election question the residents will be voting for on the April ballot.

The matter of calling an election on a revenue bond question came up for consideration. Alderman King introduced Bill No. 1-11-16, being for an ordinance titled as: AN ORDINANCE CALLING AN ELECTION ON A REVENUE BOND QUESTION IN LINCOLN, MISSOURI.

Copies of the proposed ordinance had been made available for public inspection prior to the time the bill was introduced and under consideration by the Board of Aldermen.

On motion duly made and seconded, the bill was placed on its first reading and was read by title, considered and discussed, and was duly passed by unanimous vote.

On motion duly made and seconded, the bill was placed upon its second reading and final passage and was read by title, considered and discussed. Thereupon, the question was put to a roll call vote, and the vote thereon was as follows:

Aye: Aldermen Swearngin, Johnson, King, and Lietzke.

Nay: None

The bill was duly passed and the bill was then duly numbered Ordinance No. 611 and signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the city clerk.

Upon a motion made by Swearngin and seconded by Lietzke, the council unanimously voted to approve the Engineering Agreement Certification for the City of Lincoln Wastewater Collection and Treatment system Improvements Project.

Loretta Szobodi asked what would happen if the bond election doesn't pass. Scott Vogler stated it really needs to pass in order for the city's wastewater system to pass EPA and DNR regulations. Ultimately, DNR could go to enforcement of the regulations and it would be even more costly.

Tax Abate – 113 Crescent Drive: A letter from Benton County Collector, Donna Hart, stated she had received an offer from Jack Lietzke to purchase the property located at 113 Crescent Drive in Lincoln for \$5,000. Mrs. Hart stated the county would like to retain \$974.93 for delinquent base taxes and offered the remaining \$4,025.07 for a tax lien and delinquent taxes on the property held by the city. A motion to give the city clerk permission to negotiate the sale of the property with Donna Hart, Benton County Collector, for \$4,025.07 was made by Johnson and seconded by King. The motion passed with ayes: Swearngin, King, Johnson. Alderwoman Lietzke abstained.

Reports: **Police Chief:** The Chief presented the council with the monthly and Annual Police Activity Report. He stated in extreme temperatures, the department checks on travelers and senior citizens.

Public Works Director: Koll reported they had been working on taking down the Christmas decorations, repairing meter pits and cleaning out culverts. He said the equipment is running well and they would be submitting requests for street resurfacing bids in the spring.

City Clerk: The city clerk stated she had supplied the council with overtime reports and a yearend budget report and would be glad to answer any questions they might have on the reports. There being no questions, she stated she would be working on the 2015 yearend financial statement and the auditors are scheduled to be in house the last week of February.

During this time a second date for a special meeting to discuss the upcoming bond election was scheduled for March 31st at 7:00 PM.

2015 Budget Amendment Ordinance: Bill No. 1-11-16-A, a bill amending the 2015 Budget was introduced. A motion to read Bill No. 1-11-16-A by title only for the first time was made by King and seconded by R. Lietzke. On a call by the Chair for ayes and nays, the motion passed and the bill was read. A motion for approval of the first reading was made by King and seconded by Johnson. The motion passed. A motion to read by title only for the second time Bill No. 1-11-16-A was made by King and seconded by Johnson. On a call by the Chair for ayes and nays the motion passed and the bill received its second reading. A motion to approve the second reading was made by King and seconded by R. Lietzke. On a call by the Chair for ayes and nays the motion passed. A motion Bill No. 1-11-16-A, be enacted to become Ordinance No. 612 was made by King and seconded by R. Lietzke. On a call by the Chair for a roll call vote

the motion passed with Swearngin – aye, Johnson – aye, King – aye, Lietzke – aye.

Memorial Park: Alderwoman Lietzke stated she would like to see the council move forward with future planning for what is to be placed at the base of the flag poles at the park. Mayor Bartley stated he would ask his wife to contact the high school art teacher to see if the class could submit some plans for the park.

Code Enforcement: Alderwoman Swearngin said she would like to see a working plan in place by spring to help implement property cleanup of derelict cars, abandoned furniture, high weeds and grass, plugged drains, homes with windows broken out and other unsightly nuisances in town.

A motion to adjourn was made by Johnson and seconded by Swearngin. The motion passed and Mayor Bartley adjourned the meeting at 8:25 P.M.

Barbara Johnson, City Clerk

Approved _____

Troy Bartley, Mayor

Attest:

Barbara Johnson, City Clerk