

## CITY COUNCIL

May 16, 2011

The May 16, 2011 City Council meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in Council Chambers by Gary Veith, President. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. City Council members present were Paul Wagner, Chad Smith, Don Spiegel, Scot Swinehart, an Gary Veith. Evie Hall-Case and Kyle McColly were absent.

Others present included: Mark Ellis, Law Director; Bill Sturgeon, Fire Chief; John Hawkins; Chanda Neely, Daily Chief Union; and Sarah Bennett, Clerk.

The minutes of the May 2, 2011 City Council meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were approved as received.

The minutes of the May 2, 2011 Service Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 2, 2011 Safety Committee meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 9, 2011 Park Board meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

The minutes of the May 12, 2011 Planning Commission meeting, having been mailed to each City Council member, were reviewed.

Chief Bill Sturgeon addressed City Council and explained that the Fire Department has been conducting training exercises at the two homes recently purchased by the First Presbyterian Church and located adjacent and to the south of the church along the east side of South Seventh Street. Chief Sturgeon invited all members of City government to observe and/or participate in the training exercises to be held on Tuesday, June 7, 2011 beginning at the homes at 7:00 p.m. All those planning to participate should meet at the Fire Station at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Wagner, seconded by Mr. Swinehart, to place Ordinance No. 61-12 entitled, "AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF A 2011 MASSEY FERGUSON TRACTOR THROUGH THE STATE PURCHASING PROGRAM, AND DECLARING THIS ACT AN EMERGENCY.", on its first reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 61-12 for the first time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Veith, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to suspend the rules of the Municipal Charter calling for separate readings on different days. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Swinehart, seconded by Mr. Wagner, to place Ordinance No. 61-12 on its second reading by title only. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes; the President declared the motion carried. The Clerk read Ordinance No. 61-12 for the second time by title only.

A motion was made by Mr. Spiegel, seconded by Mr. Wagner, for the adoption of Ordinance No. 61-12. Upon Roll Call, all members voted Yes. The President declared the motion carried and Ordinance No. 61-12 was duly adopted.

Mr. Swinehart noted that several properties within the City are in need of being mowed. Mr. Veith indicated that the Mayor's Office or Mr. Kenneth McMillan, Zoning Inspector, should be notified of these properties. Mr. Veith reminded residents not to blow their yard clippings into the street.

City Council members discussed upcoming cuts from the State to the Local Government Fund and Estate Taxes that will decrease the City's revenues.

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting adjourned.

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Sarah J. Bennett, Clerk

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Gary Veith, President