

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**AUGUST 18, 2008**

Mayor Clark called the meeting to order at 6:55 pm. Attending the meeting was Clark, aldermen Phillips, Crenshaw, Upchurch and Wolf, Alderman Janney arrived at 6:57pm and Alderman Dodd was absent. City attorney Smith, public works director Hausdorf, city clerk Kell, police chief Bringer, sergeant Hudnall, police officer Mitchell, city treasurer, LeAnne Pierce, city employee Curtis Foust, citizens; Michelle Fahser, Mike Haugg, Mark Hoewing. The following arrived as follows: 7:01 pm Dennis Durst, 7:09 pm court clerk Barb Coates, Dan Steinbeck, and Rick Pearl, 7:11 pm Larry Cole.

Motion was made by Upchurch and seconded by Wolf to approve the Minutes of the previous meetings of July and August 2008. Motion carried. Motion was made by Upchurch and seconded by Crenshaw to approve the Collector's and Treasurer's Reports of July 2008. Motion carried. Motion was made by Crenshaw and seconded by Phillips to accept the List of Appropriations for July and August. Motion carried.

**RELAY FOR LIFE**

Clark presented the request from the Relay for Life to close portions of the streets perpendicular to Martin Park to provide one-way traffic around the Park during the Relay. The request is for Green St., Marion St. and South Third Street perpendicular to the Park to be closed and the portion of Green St., Marion St. and Third St. immediately adjacent to the Park have one-way traffic only. Crenshaw motioned to grant the request from the Relay for Life and Wolf seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**NO PARKING REQUEST FROM C-SC**

Culver-Stockton College submitted a request for immediate action to eliminate parking on the north side of Washington Street in the entire block between the campus entrance, Hilltop Drive and east to Pillars Parkway. This request is to increase sightlines of pedestrian crossing to the Performing Arts Center. Upchurch motioned to authorize no parking on Washington Street immediately with an ordinance to be prepared and presented at the next Regular Board Meeting. Crenshaw seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS**

Crenshaw motioned and Upchurch seconded the acceptance of the Mayoral appointments as presented. Motion carried.

**WTP PAY REQUEST # 10**

Crenshaw motioned and Phillips seconded to make partial pay request number ten to Bleigh Construction in the amount of \$54,862.50 for work completed at the water treatment plant. Motion carried.

**PROJECT UPDATES**

**Trail Project-** PSBA has submitted preliminary drawings of the proposed trail project from Martin Park to Mississippi Park to the City and MoDOT for approval. Clark estimated work on the project would begin in the spring.

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**PROJECT UPDATES cont.**

**Demolition Grant** - Eleven structures are on the list for demolition and currently are under review for environmental impact. Asbestos testing would be next and then bid out the project for demolition.

**Recycling** – Marty Miles approached the City in regards to pursuing recycling. Clark explained Bill Smith with the Lewis County IDA, Marty Miles, .....of Quincy Waste and the Mayor, met recently and discussed recycling options. Bill Smith was very interested and plans to visit Palmyra’s recycling operation and discuss options after his visit. Wolf stated Canton R-V is committing to in house recycling effort.

**2008 Flood Debris Removal** – Fifteen bid packets have been requested by various contractors and the bid opening is scheduled for Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>.

**2008 Flood Fight Expenses** – a summary of expenses to date was passed out with a total dollar amount of \$633,000. Mark Hoewing questioned how we were verifying receipts. Explained we were comparing tickets with workers to the best of our ability. Hoewing pointed out there were no tickets at Shiloh. Janney agreed there is room for someone to take advantage of the City. Clark asked Hoewing if he knew of a fraudulent situation the City should be aware of. Hoewing did not.

**STREET UPGRADE**

Mayor Clark presented an article on how other Cities are using a general obligation bond to upgrade their streets and would like the Board to consider this option. The Finance Committee is to review the option and make a recommendation to the Board.

**ORDINANCE NO. 8-7                      BILL 636-C**

Upchurch moved to have the first reading, by title only, of Bill No. 8-7, proposed Ordinance No. 636-C, entitled An Ordinance setting and levying taxes for the City of Canton, Missouri for fiscal year 2008-09. Crenshaw seconded the motion. Motion carried. Following its reading by Smith, Upchurch moved to have the 2nd reading, by title only, and Wolf seconded. Copies of the proposed bill have previously been made available to the public. Motion carried and the ordinance was read. Upchurch moved to adopt Bill No. 8-7, & assign it Ordinance No. 636-C and Wolf seconded.

Roll call vote:

Upchurch	-aye	Phillips	-aye
Crenshaw	-aye	Janney	-aye
Wolf	-aye	Dodd	-absent

**Motion carried.**

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**ORDINANCE NO. 8-8**

**BILL 637-C**

Crenshaw moved to have the first reading, by title only, of Bill No. 8-8, proposed Ordinance No. 637-C, entitled An Ordinance reaffirming the action of original ordinance number 358-C of August, 1991, in compliance with Chapter 105, RSMO, as amended, and establishing the effective date thereof. Wolf seconded the motion. Motion carried. Following its reading by Smith, Wolf moved to have the 2nd reading, by title only, and Crenshaw seconded. Copies of the proposed bill have previously been made available to the public. Motion carried and the ordinance was read. Wolf moved to adopt Bill No. 8-8, and assign it Ordinance No. 637-C and Crenshaw seconded.

Roll call vote:

Upchurch	-aye	Phillips	-aye
Crenshaw	-aye	Janney	-aye
Wolf	-aye	Dodd	-absent

**Motion carried.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Judge's Robe** - Upchurch inquired about the robe request in the packet for Judge Westhoff. Coates explained the robe would cost about \$200 dollars. Upchurch motioned a robe be purchased for Westhoff out of the General Fund. Smith indicated this could be paid out of S.I.S. funds. Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**North Levee Gate** -Upchurch inquired about the meeting with MoDOT concerning the levee north gate. Confirmed the meeting would be on Thursday, August 21st at 9:00 AM.

**Downtown Vision** - Upchurch requested Randy Gray's Downtown Vision and Development Strategy be adopted by the City as part of the City's general guidelines. Upchurch moved to adopt the Canton Downtown Vision and Development and Strategy plan created by Special Place Development through Randy Gray. Phillips seconded the motion. The motion carried.

**Miscellaneous Requests** - Phillips requested the swings at Central Park be repaired. Phillips also requested the large pothole between 7th and 9th on Lewis Street be taken care of.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mark Hoewing of Hoewing Trucking inquired about the bidding process for the City of Canton. He did not submit a bid for the removal of sand bags on the north gate of the levee because he was not aware of the deadline for the submission of bids. There was only verbal communication to three local contractors, including Hoewing Trucking, that a bid packet was available at City Hall. Hoewing wanted the City to be aware of the fact that, in his opinion, Jim Pierce and Pierce Trucking run under the same US DOT #'s so even though two bids were submitted, the same company submitted both bids. It was the City's requirement to request 3 bids not necessarily obtain three bids. Two bids were received from two separate bidders. Hoewing also stated the contractor was required to have worker's compensation and didn't believe Jim Pierce had worker's compensation. Jim Pierce was not required to have worker's compensation since he is self-employed with no employees.

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### **PUBLIC COMMENTS cont.**

Hoewing also stated the City recently had rock hauled from Huntington by Pierce and Hoewing's actually had the lower bid price for hauling from Huntington. Hausdorf stated he was aware of his mistake and had called Scott about the mistake. Hausdorf explained he needed rock and requested rock not realizing it would have to come from Huntington since Taylor was out of rock.

Clark requested Hoewing to review the list of Flood Fight expenses and if he knew of any fraudulent invoices to please let the City know about them.

### **CITY HALL REPORT**

Kell reported La Trisha Crist would have back surgery on the 21st of August. Wolf recommended Crist have a full release statement from her Doctor's office before returning to work.

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Bringer reported an employee with the department resigned two weeks ago and today August 18, 2008 was his last day of employment. Bringer interviewed two applicants and offered the position to a male family oriented candidate. Wolf motioned to accept Bringer's recommendation for hiring the candidate based on his judgment. Crenshaw seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Bringer also reported Corporal Sarah O'Brien had a baby boy 7lbs 14ounces and named him Cameron Allen. O'Brien is expected to be back at work at the end of September. Bringer went on to explain he is continuing with notices for property owners to clean up their properties. Rick Pearl stated the City should take care of their own properties before they issue citations to the citizens of Canton. Hausdorf explained he was waiting for the sickle mower to be repaired.

### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Hausdorf reported the sickle mower has been repaired and now the John Deere mower is in the repair shop. Janney inquired if Hausdorf could move the steel fence posts from their current outside location because the posts are disappearing from the pile. Cole inquired if the City requested any engineering studies in regards to the impact of the new development on the hill. Cole stated the City is not giving the Citizens at the bottom of the hill the consideration they deserve. Upchurch motioned to contact the City Engineers PSBA to study the infiltration and inflow with the sewers in regards to the development on the hill.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

Upchurch motioned to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) "legal action, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body" Wolf seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Upchurch	-aye	Phillips	-aye
Crenshaw	-aye	Janney	-aye
Wolf	-aye	Dodd	-absent

Motion carried.

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**CLOSED SESSION cont.**

Smith explained the first case in Doran vs. the City of Canton was dismissed. Doran appealed and won a jury trial. Smith explained the City could go to court or try to settle out of court. Crenshaw motioned to attempt to settle for the amount of \$1,073.70 and Janney seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Wolf motioned to return to open session Upchurch seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Upchurch	-aye	Phillips	-aye
Crenshaw	-aye	Janney	-aye
Wolf	-aye	Dodd	-absent

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Janney motioned to adjourn and Phillips seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm.

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Cynthia Kell, City Clerk

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John J. Clark, Mayor