

Cole Camp City Council Meeting
Public Hearing
AUGUST 17, 2023 6:45 PM

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Cole Camp, Missouri met in Regular Session at City Hall on August 17, 2023, at 6:45 P.M. The following Aldermen are present; Mindy Fox, Diana Burdick, David Locke and Jon Beckman. Mayor Robert Meuschke was also present Administration in attendance: City Clerk Dawn Paul. Attendance: Bob Brown, Wanda Brown.

The tax rate was published at 0.4734 and will remain the same from last year 0.4734.

Wanda Brown asked for an explanation on the Tax Levy.

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Call meeting to order at 7:01 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mindy Fox makes a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of Jo Ann Lane to speak before the Rock Island Trail Presentation with a second from David Locke. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

The consent agenda contains approval of the minutes for Regular Meeting minutes for July 24, 2023; Special Meeting Minutes for August 2, 2023; the approval of July Financials for the city. Jon Beckman makes a motion to accept the changes to both sets of minutes, that is documented by email with the spelling corrections on the individual and with Jon Beckman's strong objections due to safety concerns for the use of U Highway for the Rock Island Trail with a second from David Locke. All in Favor. Motion Passes. Budget Amendment Resolution #2023-06 will be tabled to the September's monthly meeting with a budget workshop set in August. Jon Beckman motions to approve the July bills with a second from Diana Burdick. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

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Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference - Jo Ann Lane (Benton County Economic Development): Ms. Lane discussed the upcoming conference that will in Cole Camp and Warsaw on September 20 and September 21, 2023.

Rock Island Trail Cole Camp Connectivity Study Presentation - Marge Lumpe & Charles Hunter: discussed the Cole Camp Working Group, the Rock Island Trail, and future improvements.

Great River Engineering – Aspen Williams: Ms. Williams discussed the sidewalk project on Maple Street. She presented a proposal for the project.

OLD BUSINESS

Irrigation Meter Ordinance – Bill No. 2023-09, Ordinance No. 552 (Second Reading): Mindy Fox motions for a Second Reading by Title Only for Bill No. 2023-09, Ordinance No. 552 with a second from David Locke. Roll Call: Mindy Fox – Aye, Diana Burdick – Aye, David Locke – Aye, Jon Beckman – Aye. Motion Passes.

NEW BUSINESS

PVAG Contract – Resolution #2023-05: David Locke explained the Comprehensive Plan. David Locke motions to approve Resolution #2023-05 and to sign the contract with PVAC with a second from Diana Burdick. Roll Call: Mindy Fox – Aye, Diana Burdick – Aye, David Locke – Aye, Jon Beckman – Aye. Motion Passes.

Letter from Citizen: Mayor Meuschke requested the council respond in writing to the citizen. We will contact MO Rural Water to come down and talk to the council.

Amendment to Water Leak Ordinance – Bill No. 2023-10: A discussion on the water leak ordinance to have a maximum charge in the amount of \$300. David Locke motioned for First Reading by Title Only for Bill No. 2023-10 with a second from Mindy Fox. Roll Call: Mindy Fox – Aye, Diana Burdick – Aye, David Locke – Aye, Jon Beckman – Aye. Motion Passes. A second reading will be done in September.

Tax Levy Ordinance - Bill No: 2023-05 Ordinance No. 554: “An Ordinance levying and providing for the collection of taxes and establishing the rate of \$0.4734 per \$100.00 assessed valuation for the City of Cole Camp, Missouri and revoking Ordinance No. 540”. David Locke motions for the first reading of the Tax Levy Ordinance, Bill No. 2023-05 Ordinance 554 with a second from Mindy Fox. All in Favor. Roll call: Mindy Fox – Aye, Diana Burdick – Aye, David Locke – Aye, Jon Beckman – Aye. Motion Passes. Mindy Fox motions for the second reading of the Tax Levy Ordinance, Bill No. 2023-05 Ordinance No. 554 with a second from David Locke. All in Favor. Roll call: Mindy Fox – Aye, Diana Burdick – Aye, David Locke – Aye, Jon Beckman – Aye. Motion Passes.

Clerk Report: “Windows” Council asked to put out bids for window replacement in the newspaper. “Website” Ms. Paul brought the information of Streamline, a website for the city, to the council. The cost of the website would be \$355.00 monthly. We will add this to the agenda in September. “ARPA Account” Ms. Paul asked permission of the council to close the ARPA Bank Account in the amount of \$232,423.51 since the city has spent \$225,891.05 in supplies for the water project. The ARPA funds were previously voted to use for the water project. Jon Beckman motions to close the ARPA Bank Account and move the funds to the Water Fund-Utility Line Addition with a second from David Locke. All in Favor. Motion Passes.

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Public Works Report: Heath updated the council about the water project and water leaks. Heath mentioned his work anniversary is coming. The council agreed if the vacation time is not used it would be paid out.

Police Report: Randy Koenke reported about the police department. He talked about grants and improvements with technology and the purchase of equipment for the department. He also mentioned the community involvement and training.

Attorney Report: Gave an update on the nuisances we have in town.

Mayor Report: Mayor Meuschke talked about the Cole Camp Fair. The mayor signed the contract with CO-MO Connect. Provincial and CO-MO came to an agreement and will be going aerial. A meeting is scheduled with the engineers and CO-MO on Monday, August 21, 2023.

Diana Burdick wanted to let the public know she will be at the city office on Tuesdays, between 1:00 and 3:00 P.M.

Citizen Comments: Wanda Brown - Tax levy and Information for the meeting. The meeting information is available on Wednesday before the meeting.

David Locke makes a motion to adjourn with a second from Jon Beckman. All in favor. Motion Passes.

Meeting adjourned 9:01 P.M.

Minutes by Dawn Paul:



Minutes approved by:

Robert Meuschke, Mayor

Attest: _____

Dawn Paul, City Clerk