

BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MINUTES
March 24, 2016

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, met in regular session on Thursday, March 24, 2016, in Council Chambers at Marshfield City Hall.

BE IT KNOWN that a public hearing was held before the Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, on March 24, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall upon the proposed changes to Chapter 620 of the Marshfield Municipal Code regarding Garage, Yard, Porch and Inside Sales.

Mayor Robert Williams called a **Public Hearing** to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Robert Williams stated he would like everyone to know how this topic got brought up. The Board of Aldermen has talked about the topic of yard sales several times over the last year in regards to problems with people not taking down their signs and sometimes traffic being blocked. The City of Marshfield is participating in a couple of programs to help market Marshfield. One of those programs is Homegrown Highway. Homegrown Highway is a program to help market cities and little towns along Highway 60 down to Marshfield and find what is unique about each town and help promote and bring people into their town from out of town. Our idea is to discuss what Marshfield has that could be used to create a draw if we were to go and advertise outside the City. Marshfield does garage sales very well and it was identified as being one of the very positive things of the community. A proposal was put forth to the Board to change the policy so that it was one Saturday a month. There really has been no discussion of any degree at the Board level. What the Board wanted to do once the proposal was brought forward, was to set a public hearing to allow the public to speak and give ideas of how we could focus on creating a draw outside the community, like we are talking about, but it is also important to maintain the integrity of what we already have. When you are talking to the Board of Aldermen please understand that it is not a discussion, it is the opportunity for the public to be heard. The Board of Aldermen are probably not going to interact, as they will be listening to everyone and what you have to say. The first agenda item, once we get to the actual board meeting, will be the Board of Aldermen discussion on this topic. As you are recognized, it would be great to hear your thoughts on at least three things. 1) How do we establish a marketable event – example: city wide garage sale day 2) how do we address the signage that is around town 3) traffic issues around town that have been mentioned. It's not that we either have one or the other, one Saturday a month versus the current policy, it could be a combination of both. That is what we are here tonight to find out - how can we accomplish all of it, not just one or the other.

Mayor Robert Williams asked is anyone would like to speak for or against the proposed changes.

Belinda Rust, lives outside the City limits, stated she had wrote a letter to the Marshfield Mail this week, but wanted to add a few things in addition to her letter. She is opposed to only having sales on the first Saturday of the month. They are too much work to only have them one day a month, and she does not want to leave it up in her garage until the first of the next month. She likes the current policy allowing two sales per year for three consecutive days. Rust stated as far as the sign problem, the City needs to enforce the issue and go to the address that is on the signs that are not picked up and fine the people. Rust would be in favor of first Saturday of the month sale, in addition to the current policy. She has been going to garage sales for many years, and if she would not have been able to go to sales back then, she would not have been able to clothe her children. She stated she thinks there are a lot of people out there that use garage sales to better the life of I would rather see them having sales, than standing in the welfare line.

Chrystal Barnes, lives inside the city limits, stated she is opposed to only having sales once a month. If it rains, you can't have a sale until the next month. She likes the current policy that allows two times a year, for three consecutive days. Garage sales are a way for people to clothe their children, furnish her home and make extra money. Barnes stated the City of Marshfield needs to enforce the existing code on signs and getting a permit and fine people for not complying. Barnes stated the City of Marshfield could charge people that do not get a permit and also do not take their sign down the following amounts: \$25.00 for first offense, \$50.00 for second offense and so on, until they get the point. As far as the traffic, there is a lot of congestion on Locust where she lives. She says the traffic problems are not from garage sales, they are from speeders. She likes the suggestion of hours of operation during school in session to 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. She would be all for keeping the current policy and adding the first Saturday of the month as a bonus.

Cheryl Ash – lives inside the City limits, stated the economy is not favorable right now, a lot of families are struggling just to make ends meet every month. She knows what it is like to try to clothe your children on a budget. It is very valuable to her to be able to sell the clothes that the kids have outgrown and then be able to use that as purchasing power to buy clothes in the future and meet needs that they may have. It does not take a rocket scientist to figure out that a lot of middle income families are struggling. She is a financial services representative, what she does is help middle income families be able to get out of debt and be financially independent, so she sees what a lot of middle income families are going through. We all know that the families and kids are what fuels our economy. Ash is opposed to having sales on Saturday only, because it would limit a lot of families that take advantage of the sales, when their children are in school. It limits the safety issues when the kids are in school, because they are not out there getting in the streets and around cars. We live in the land of the free and we need to be careful about restricting and taking away freedoms from people, without having a justified reason for doing that and allow them the liberty to choose. Another thing with public safety, are we going to take away the ability to have public events, like sporting events or the empire fair. We have a lot of vehicles there and that is at night time when the risk and safety of kids are higher than during the daylight hours. To me, it does not

make much sense to restrict garage sales and yet still have other events in the community that could pose as much or greater problem as what garage sales do. As for posting on the premises only, I think that is undue restriction, because a lot of people do not live on major highways. You could read the paper, but a lot of people do not get the paper. Social media, not everyone has a computer or has internet, especially families on limited income. The City should enforce the law that is on the books and she is in favor of the current garage sale policy. She stated that if the City was going to charge a fine that it should be low, like \$5.00 or if we would give a couple of warning, before we charge up to \$25.00.

Jill Phillips – lives inside the City limits, stated she had posted on Marshfield Parents R Us and she would just read what she wrote. “To me, the most feasible solution is to actually enforce the existing Ordinance and add to it that during the school year, Thursday and Friday sales can only be between the hours of 8:30 and 3:00, which would solve the bus safety problem while still allowing people to both buy and sell. If someone is found to be without a permit or not taking down their sign, a small fine could be charged. People would learn quickly and hopefully do the right thing. There is a huge group of people that don’t have access to the internet that shop at these sales or hold sales. Also, if it’s such a burden to the employees to write up a permit, why not have a form that someone fills out and then just have the city employee have an approval stamp. I think people would even be willing to pay \$2.00 or so for their permit to cover the cost of the time and paperwork the City has to deal with. Personally, I would take my sign down the last day of the sale, but if people knew the City would write a ticket for leaving the signs up, say a fine of \$10, they would take their signs down. It’s just like people who speed all the time seeing an officer writing a ticket to them or someone else, they finally realize that sooner or later, they’re going to get caught.”

Carol Rhodes - lives inside the City limits, stated she agrees with all the other people that spoke and she opposes limiting sales to only the first Saturday of the month. Rhodes stated the City of Marshfield should keep existing policy.

Stormy Fairweather - lives outside the City limits, stated she has website Webster/Wright County Yard Sale site and people post to the site all the time, but not all people have access to the internet. She does not live inside City so she doesn’t know even why we would require a permit for a sale. It’s silly, a bother, and why can’t someone just have a sale when they want to. When she comes to town she never sees any problem with traffic around garage sales. She thinks having a community event would be fine, but says she would like for there to be no regulation on garage sales at all.

Pamela Jason - lives inside the City limits, stated that the community could help the City with the sign problem. If you see a sign still hanging up after the sale, just take it down and throw it away. Jameson stated she does not think the City of Marshfield needs to give a permit, if she was having a sale, she would not get a permit. She thinks that we can organize ourselves and take care a lot of this without having a lot of laws.

Mayor Williams stated that there is no desire for the Board of Aldermen to take away people's rights, to limit the people all the things that we have talked about tonight, not be able to buy the things that you want to buy, or to be able to have a sale. There has to be some kind of limitations, which is currently two sales a year, with the free citywide sale, and we do have to be able to manage the signs. The desire of the Board of Aldermen, when this was brought up was actually not to do that, but to enhance what we already had. The proposal was just a proposal put forward to start the conversation. The proposal the way it was presented, replaces the existing policy. This public hearing was not required by any law. The Board of Aldermen could have had this discussion themselves and they could have changed the law to read anyway they want to, but they chose to invite the community to come in so we could capture what your desire is. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen appreciate all that had an opportunity to speak and give their opinions.

Letters were received and given to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen from Harlan Verlin and Georgene Verlin, that both opposed the limiting sales to one time a month.

Mayor Robert Williams closed the Public Hearing at 7:23 p.m.

BE IT KNOWN that a public hearing was held before the Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, on March 24, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall upon the Application of Phil & Gwen Joyce to change the zoning from R-2 (Two-Family Residence District) to B-1 (Neighborhood Business District) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 430 of the Marshfield Municipal Code (Zoning Code)

Mayor Robert Williams called a **Public Hearing** to order at 7:24 pm.

David Robertson stated that the City of Marshfield has a good zoning plan and the City needs to keep that zoning plan. Robertson stated that we have enough vacant commercial buildings in town and building a new commercial building will dilute existing businesses and delay the occupancy of the ones we have. Robertson stated he is opposed the proposed rezoning case.

Phil Joyce presented a petition from the 185 feet that he stated has been signed by all but a few. There was a petition going around town that he was going to build a junky building and he would like that petition thrown out. Historically, Marshfield has been a multi-mixed use. Prior to Planning and Zoning being implemented, there was actually a mixed use, up until recently. Allowing businesses on Jackson Street would benefit the City with additional sales tax collected, replacement of older properties and would improve the appearance of the main street through town. This is the first street that potential business owners see when they visit Marshfield and it would be a benefit and be an inviting place for their potential employees. The City and the County are spending money to renovate the square for the intent of rejuvenating the businesses downtown, how better to do that to have a business on Jackson Street leading them

right to the square. Cities that are growing and expanding tax base, need to have attractive rental spaces for businesses to come in. Progress sometimes requires difficult decisions on the part of government officials, for the good of the community at large, to make Jackson Street a mix use zoning would open main street to business use without spot zoning which is opposed by many people. Jackson Street is the ideal area for new businesses since Spur Drive and the West end of Jackson Street are pretty much full and people naturally travel down this main road through town. To make Jackson Street a mix zoning area, would lead to growth and economic development for the City for years to come as businesses take advantage of the traffic on the main road through town.

Mayor Williams asked Mr. Joyce that his request is to rezone two lots, but what he hears Mr. Joyce saying is that he sees the value in addressing Jackson Street as a whole, as opposed to two lots. Mr. Joyce agreed.

Phil Joyce stated that these two lots would be a start and it is the Board of Aldermen's decision. Mr. Joyce presented pictures of the building he would build, with the Board of Aldermen's permission. Mr. Joyce stated he would appreciate the Board of Aldermen's consideration.

Don Stockton stated despite what was just stated, this issue is not about the number of businesses or the number of houses on Jackson Street, it is specifically about two lots in the five hundred block of Jackson Street. This street has been a residential street longer than most people have lived. The Comprehensive Plan was adopted fifteen years ago in 2001. West Jackson Street was zoned at that time. The first four blocks of Jackson Street were zoned for business, the next three blocks were zoned for residential. There was one business that was grandfathered in that three block area. That building is over seventy years old. The five hundred block is the subject area of this rezoning request. It contains nine houses and the proposal is to change the zoning on two, right in the middle of that block. There will be four houses on one side residential and three houses on the other side and then this subject property that is requested to be rezoned. Chapter 400 of the Cities Ordinances set out the purpose of the Marshfield Zoning Code. Mr. Stockton then read a portion of the Section. "The purpose of this title and section is to promote the health, safety, morals and general welfare of the City of Marshfield and is adopted as part of a Comprehensive Development Plan for said City." Then there is paragraph two that says "These regulations are made with reasonable consideration of the character of each district, and its peculiar suitability for particular uses, and with a view conserving the value of buildings and encouraging the most appropriate use of the land throughout the City of Marshfield." That is the purpose of the zoning code. Chapter 430 deals with changes in zoning and that is what we are talking about. Mr. Stockton presented to City Hall a petition of seven property owners within the required distance of subject rezoning property. Chapter 430 addresses the bases for rezoning and requires the Planning and Zoning Commission to review and report as to the compatibility with the Comprehensive Plan. In Mr. Stockton's opinion, the Board of Aldermen must also consider that all proposed zoning changes are totally compatible with the Comprehensive Plan. Mr.

Stockton's opinion is that this proposed zoning change is not at all compatible with the plan. Rezoning two properties to become commercial right in the middle of a City block surrounded by residences on all sides is not compatible. Mr. Stockton is opposed to sporadic integration of commercial businesses into residential neighborhoods, especially when such changes are driven by personal interests by individuals or entities and not compatible with the City of Marshfield's Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Stockton believes that changes to the Comprehensive Plan should be subject to a planning process and should only be considered when the City, neighborhoods and all vested and interested individuals and entities have joined together to thoroughly justify and plan for changes.

Pat Boshe lives across the street from this proposed rezone and hopes that this rezoning does not go through. Mrs. Boshe loves when you drive down Jackson Street, viewing the trees and the residential area that is between the spur and the square. She works very hard on her yard to make it nice for people, when they walk or drive by. Mrs. Boshe stated that if the rezoning did not go through, with Mrs. Joyce's talent and Mr. Joyce's hard work, they could make two beautiful cottages. When people buy property, they know what they are buying. They know they are buying residential or business when they buy it. People should not be able to buy residential to get it cheaper and then get it rezoned, just to workout better for them financially. Mrs. Boshe doesn't want any more businesses on Jackson Street. We need to develop more on the spur and the square.

Dee Lewis stated that everyone on Jackson Street bought their house with the expectation that the houses next to them would be residential. The purpose of Planning and Zoning is so that people can make financial plans. In our case, we have rental property on Jackson Street. As Mr. Stockton just pointed out, residential runs down the blocks. Now we have a person that bought the property and he knew when he bought it that it was residential, why should he expect to change it to business.

Donna Lewis stated that everything has been said that needs to be said about why we are against spot rezoning. She thinks the arguments have been very good and she would like to compliment the Board of Aldermen for taking the time to listen to them during the several times that they have been here on this issue. Mrs. Lewis would encourage the Board to continue working on their Comprehensive Plan. There would be no resistance that you would have with a spot rezoning, because it would be fair to everyone. She does have one question with the petitions, because she is not familiar with our Ordinances. The signatures on the petitions, does that include the tenants and the owners or just the property owners? Attorney Linda Lott stated that the signatures have to be property owners. Mrs. Lewis thought that was the case. Her original petition that she turned in was all property owners. She has a renter in her rental property that signed Mr. Joyce's petition and Mrs. Lewis stated that we need to verify who are property owners and who are renters on his petition. Mayor Williams stated that the Board of Aldermen has a good impression of where things fall and they have seen three petitions and a map of who are for and against the rezoning.

Stormy Fairweather stated that she feels that if you add another business on Jackson Street, that it will only make the street more congested.

Mayor Robert Williams closed the Public Hearing at 7:51 p.m.

BE IT KNOWN that a public hearing was held before the Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, on March 24, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall upon the Application of Webster Electric Cooperative, Inc. seeking to change the zoning from R-1 (Single Family Residence District) to B-3 (General Business District) in accordance with the provision of Chapter 430 of the Marshfield Municipal Code (Zoning Code).

Mayor Robert Williams called a **Public Hearing** to order at 7:52 p.m.

Mayor Robert Williams asked if anyone would like to speak for or against the requested zoning.

David Robertson stated that this seems to be one of the rare cases where rezoning residential to business would be appropriate.

Mayor Williams stated that when property is brought into the City, it is brought in as Residential and sometimes when that happens, sometimes it never gets changed to what it actually should be. This property being on Spur Drive, this is a reasonable request.

Mr. Robertson said he is in favor of this rezoning.

Alderman Foster stated that it is appropriate to also acknowledge that this property is in the Comprehensive Plan and labeled as Business.

Mayor Robert Williams closed the Public Hearing at 7:54 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Robert Williams called the meeting to order at 7.55 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Answering roll call were Mayor Robert Williams, East Ward Aldermen Rob Foster and Jeremy Loftin and West Ward Aldermen Vicki Montgomery and Champ Herren.

MINUTES – Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the minutes of March 10, 2016. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORT – Alderman Herren made a motion to approve expenditures. Alderwoman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

MAYOR'S REPORT- None.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS – Marshfield Police Department provided their monthly report.

OLD BUSINESS

GARAGE SALES – Alderman Herren stated he would like to see the garage sale policy be amended to limit the hours of sale while school is in session to 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and add having a first Saturday of month sale from April - October, that would be in addition to the current policy, with no permit required and no signage allowed, except on the sale property. Staff will draft an Ordinance to bring to the Board of Aldermen to review, before staff sends to legal to finalize.

REPORT FROM PLANNING & ZONING

- WEBSTER ELECTRIC REZONING REQUEST FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT)

Planning & Zoning Commission made a recommendation to the Board of Aldermen to approve the zoning request.

- LONG TERM ZONING ON WEST JACKSON STREET

Planning & Zoning Commission discussed the Comprehensive Plan's projection for residential zoning along West Jackson, the need for more defined zoning districts, the current existing spot zoned properties on West Jackson and that spot zoning needed to cease in the City of Marshfield.

REZONE FOR PHIL & GWEN JOYCE FROM R-2 (TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-1 (NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT) - Alderman Foster stated that he was glad to hear Mr. Joyce was in favor of addressing Jackson Street as a whole district through the Comprehensive Plan process. Alderman Foster made a motion to deny the rezoning request. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

BILL NO. 2016-07 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SCHEDULE II OF TITLE III (TRAFFIC CODE) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MARSHFIELD, MISSOURI BEING A SECTION OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH STOP SIGNS, BY ADDING TO SAID SCHEDULE II A STOP SIGN ON SOUTH MILL STREET AT ITS INTERSECTION WITH WEST WASHINGTON STREET - Attorney Linda Lott read by title twice the proposed Ordinance to amend Schedule II of Title III (Traffic Code) of the Municipal Code of the City of Marshfield, Missouri being a Section of the Municipal Code dealing with Stop Signs, by adding to said schedule II a stop sign on South Mill Street at its intersection with West Washington Street.

Alderwoman Montgomery made a motion to approve the first reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderman Loftin made a motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderwoman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

BILL NO. 2016-08 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHFIELD, WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI AND MARSHFIELD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS AS A METHOD TO DISSEMINATE INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY AND ITS RESOURCES - Attorney Linda Lott read by title twice the proposed Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract for services between the City of Marshfield, Webster County, Missouri and Marshfield Area Chamber of Commerce for a period of 12 months as a method to disseminate information about the City and its resources.

Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the first reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderwoman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderwoman Montgomery made a motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

BILL NO. 2016-09 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARSHFIELD, WEBSTER COUNTY, MISSOURI AND SPRINGFIELD REGIONAL ECONOMIC PARTNERSHIP (SREP) FOR THE PURPOSE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - Attorney Linda Lott read by title twice the proposed Ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of Marshfield, Webster County, Missouri and Springfield Regional Economic Partnership (SREP) for the purpose of Economic Development.

Alderman Herren made a motion to approve the first reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderwoman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

BILL NO. 2016-10 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 400.040 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MARSHFIELD, MISSOURI, BEING A SECTION

OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE DEALING WITH ZONING, AND RELATING TO THE ADOPTION OF A "ZONING MAP" SETTING FORTH THE BOUNDARIES OF THE VARIOUS ZONING DISTRICTS, BY CHANGING CERTAIN ZONING DISTRICT BOUNDARY LINES SO AS TO CHANGE A CERTAIN AREA AS SHOWN ON SAID MAP FROM R-1 (SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT) TO B-3 (GENERAL BUSINESS DISTRICT) AND TO FURTHER PROVIDE FOR RE-ADOPTION OF THE "ZONING MAP" AS AMENDED – Attorney Linda Lott read by title twice the proposed Ordinance to amend Section 400.040 of the Municipal Code of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, being a Section of the Municipal Code dealing with zoning, and relating to the adoption of a “Zoning Map” setting forth the boundaries of the various zoning districts, by changing certain zoning district boundary lines so as to change a certain area as shown on said map from R-1 (Single Family Residence District) to B-3 (General Business District) and to further provide for re-adoption of the “Zoning Map” as amended.

Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the first reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderman Herren made a motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

WATER PROJECT - Mayor Williams stated he had a meeting with Deputy City Administrator Sam Rost, Water Supervisor Richard Nevills and Olsson & Associates Engineer John Forrester. The purpose of the meeting was to determine if the project currently planned is still needed now that Marshfield is chlorinating successfully. More to the point, the question is "Do we still need to borrow 3.9 million dollars, or pay as we go?" The answer appeared to be that we could pay as we go for the most part. If we were to pay as we go, the first major project would be to build a tower at the Walmart well. This tower will allow us to vent the water out of the Walmart well before it enters that larger system. This project is over a million dollars and would possibly require a lease option similar to what is being done in other small communities. This option allows the City to hold a short term debt for 3-5 years depending on our ability to pay. It is possible to shift an amount, to be determined of the Capital Improvement fee from sewer to water in order to fund this process. This would allow the City to hold any part of the water project in order to shift the Capital Improvement Fee back to sewer if needed to comply with the DNR mandate we are currently under.

Mayor Williams stated that this is the more responsible approach and it allows the City to avoid large debt, while accomplishing the full project over time, which we now have due to the revelation on chlorination. It also allows more flexibility in the use of user dollars and allows us to avoid a long-term commitment prior to knowing the finding of DNR and the EPA on our WWTP project.

FIRE DEPARTMENT RADIOS - Deputy City Administrator Sam Rost spoke on the letter Fire Chief Michael Taylor presented in the Board of Aldermen packets. The Marshfield Fire Protection District Board of Directors accepted a bid from Rayfield Communications for the purchase and installation of the budgeted digital radio systems. The bid from Rayfield was \$52,264.01. The system will be installed at two district owned locations, rural fire stations and one City owned location, George Street Tower (where the current system resides for the City now). The system also includes portable radios for the firefighters and mobile radios for the apparatus. The City partnered with the District in this project and budgeted \$15,000.00 to assist with the cost, as both the City and District fire departments are on the same radio system. Per bid specifications Rayfield has 90 days in order to complete this project and will be paid upon successful installation of the system, its components, and satisfactory testing to insure the system provides proper coverage.

TOWER CO. – FENCING & TOWER COLORS - Deputy City Administrator Sam Rost gave an update to the Board of Aldermen from Matt Schlichter, Network Real Estate, LLC that they will be applying for a permit and coming to the Board of Aldermen on April 14, 2016. The Board of Aldermen will need to decide on the color of the fencing and the tower at that time. Rost was giving the information to the Board to allow them time to look over the options.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- **Job Description for Economic Development Position**

Mayor Williams stated that City Clerk Karen Rost had requested from other cities copies of their job descriptions for an Economic Development Director and has forwarded them to the Board of Aldermen to review for discussion at a future meeting.

- **Resolution**

Mayor Williams read the Resolution of the City of Marshfield, Missouri for Economic Development

Alderman Foster made a motion to accept the Resolution as presented.

Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes.

Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderman Foster invited the Board of Aldermen to the Community Foundation of the Ozarks annual event on April 19, 2016 at 8:30 a.m. on Economic Development.

NEW BUSINESS

TEMPORARY SIDEWALK CLOSURE – 109 N. CLAY - Deputy City Administrator stated that there will be temporary sidewalk closure at 109 N. Clay, due to no other access to get supplies to the construction site.

BIDS FOR BALLISTIC VESTS - Skipped.

BILL NO. 2016-11 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 210, ARTICLE IV. OFFENSES CONCERNING PUBLIC SAFETY BY REPEALING SECTION 210.580 AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION AND PANHANDLING TO THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF MARSHFIELD, MISSOURI BEING A CHAPTER REGULATING OFFENSES - Attorney Linda Lott read by title twice the propose Ordinance amending Chapter 210, Article IV. Offenses concerning Public Safety by repealing Section 210.580 Aggressive Solicitation and Panhandling to the Municipal Code of the City of Marshfield, Missouri being a chapter regulating offenses.

Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the first reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Alderwoman Montgomery made a motion to approve the second reading of the proposed Ordinance. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with a roll call vote. Voting aye: Foster, Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – Mayor Williams requested City Branding be put on the next agenda. Alderman Herren requested to see a large map of water improvements and a small map on water projects with dead end lines and information to go along with the bonding project.

Break was taken at 9:08 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION – Alderwoman Montgomery made a motion to enter closed session Pursuant to Section 610.021.2 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to leasing, purchasing or sale of real estate and Pursuant to Section 610.021.3 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting particular employee at 9:14 p.m. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed in a roll call vote with three ayes. Voting aye: Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None. Abstain: Foster.

Alderman Foster left the meeting at 9:22 p.m.

Alderwoman Montgomery made a motion to enter regular session at 10:11 p.m. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed in a roll call vote with three ayes. Voting aye: Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None. Absent: Foster.

ADJOURN – With no other business appearing before the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Herren made a motion to adjourn the meeting 10:12 p.m. Alderman Loftin seconded the motion. The motion passed with three ayes. Voting aye: Loftin, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None. Absent: Foster.

Robert Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen Rost, City Clerk

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