The Minutes of the Macon City Council Meeting

**July 11, 2023 – 6:30 P.M.**

**106 West Bourke Street**

**Macon, Missouri 63552**

Mayor Tony Petre called the meeting to order with the following members in attendance: Talt Holman, Jerold Carr, Jerry Thompson, Cheryl Blaise, Chris Walk, Steve Iwanowicz, and Ernie Lea.

Absent: Caleb Dwiggins

**Approval of the Agenda:**

Councilman Carr moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Thompson and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Financial Report:**

Councilman Lea moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Old Business:**

**Discussion of Macon Sign Code updates:**

The Council reviewed the first draft of the revised sign code. The Council expressed they would like revisions to be as minimal as possible when incorporating statute and case law changes. A second draft will be presented as it becomes available.

**New Business:**

**Discussion of 2023 Street Overlay Project:**

The final Base Bid and Add Alternate lists generated at the July 7, 2023 Transportation Committee meeting were reviewed. Requests for Proposals were mailed and advertised. The award of the project will be on the August Council Agenda.

**Appointments to Macon Public Library Board of Trustees:**

Mayor Petre recommended the appointment of Bill Noyes and the re-appointment of Amanda Turnbull to the Macon Public Library Board of Trustees to serve through July 2026.

Councilman Lea moved to approve the appointment of Bill Noyes and the re-appointment of Amanda Turnbull to the Macon Public Library Board of Trustees to serve through July 2026. The motion was seconded by Councilman Iwanowicz and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Appointment to Board of Adjustment**

Mayor Petre recommended the appointment of Ray Blomberg as an Alternate Member to the Board of Adjustment to serve through February 2028.

Councilman Carr moved to approve the appointment of Ray Blomberg as an Alternate on the Board of Adjustment to serve through February 2028. The motion was seconded by Councilman Iwanowicz and approved by all present voting in favor.

**Mayor’s report:**

Mayor Petre reported that Lolli’s Livestock Market Exotic Animal Sale is this week, and the Annual Fork & Cork Festival is scheduled for August 19th.

**Council reports:**

Councilwoman Blaise reported that the Juneteenth event was well organized and well attended.

Councilman Lea reported that the Maples Repertory Theater 20th Anniversary event, the Historical Society “Night at the Museum” event, and the YMCA Independence Day party were great.

**City Administrator’s report:**

None.

**City Clerk’s report:**

City Clerk Mary Lou Craigg reminded Council that registration for the Missouri Municipal League Conference is open now.

David Coleman reported that the airport electronic access gates are active now and the Macon Lake Archery Range is ready for targets to be set.

Both the Fire Department and the Police Department held/attended public relations events. The Fire Department continues to assess the drought conditions and the Police Department has begun removal process for abandoned and derelict vehicles around the city.

**Closed Session:**

At 7:30 P.M. Councilman Thompson moved to go into closed session pursuant to §610.021(1) Litigation, §610.021(2) Leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate, and §610.021(3) Personnel. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Holman, Carr, Thompson, Blaise, Walk, Iwanowicz, Lea.

Nay: None.

Absent: Dwiggins.

Abstain: None.

Closed session attendance: Holman, Carr, Thompson, Blaise, Walk, Iwanowicz, Lea, Petre, and Craigg.

Closed Session ended at 7:54 P.M.

No closed session action is reportable at this time.

**Adjournment:**

Councilman Lea moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

Mary Lou Craigg, City Clerk

Anthony E. Petre, Mayor