

**City of St. Clair  
#1 Paul Parks Drive  
St. Clair, MO 63077  
City Council Meeting  
March 15, 2010**

**Mayor Blum called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.**

**Roll Call:**

City Clerk, Chris Fawe called the roll. Present were Mayor Blum, Administrator Arndt, Alderman Marrocco, Alderman Tate, Alderman Pierce, Alderman Counts and Attorney Voss.

Mayor Blum led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Consent Agenda:**

Mayor Blum asked for approval of the monthly bills from February 25, thru March 11, 2010 the Board of Alderman meeting minutes from March 1, 2010, the Board of Alderman Public Hearing minutes from March 1, 2010 and the Collector's Report for February 2010.

Mayor Blum asked if everyone had a chance to review the bills and if there were any questions.

**Alderman Marrocco made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted and Alderman Counts provided the second.**

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Awards and Recognition:**

1. Mayor Blum stated the business of the month is Jerron's Catering and Cakes and Alderman Tate presented the award.

**Ordinances and Resolutions**

1. **Bill No. 2010-09- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CORPORATION OF ST. CLAIR, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STP-URBAN PROGRAM AGREEMENT WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR THE COMPLETION OF TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS TO SPRINGFIELD AVENUE FROM MAIN STREET TO THE CITY LIMITS.**

Alderman Tate introduced Bill No. 2010-09 for 1st and 2nd reading twice by title only. Mayor Blum read Bill No.2010-09 twice by title only. Alderman Marrocco made the motion to approve Bill number 2010-09 as read and Alderman Counts provided the second.

Mayor Blum asks if there were any questions before the vote.

**Board Polls as follows:**

<b>Alderman Tate</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Alderman Marrocco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Alderman Pierce</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Alderman Counts</b>	<b>AYE</b>

***Bill 2010-09 becomes Ordinance 1576***

**2. Bill No. 2010-10-AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE RESUBDIVISION PETITION FILED BY DOUBLE-Q-CONSTRUCTION LLC FOR LOTS 10, 11, 12, 13 AND 14 IN THE HIBBARD SUBDIVISION.**

Alderman Marrocco made the motion for this Bill to be postponed due to an error in the ordinance title until the next board meeting and Alderman Pierce provided the second.

**3. Bill No. 2010-11- AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CORPORATION OF ST. CLAIR, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LANTIS FIREWORKS AND LASERS FOR THE PROVISION OF THE 2010 FREEDOM FEST FIREWORKS DISPLAY.**

Alderman Counts introduced Bill No. 2010-11 for 1st and 2nd reading twice by title only. Mayor Blum read Bill No.2010-11 twice by title only. Alderman Pierce made the motion to approve Bill number 2010-11 as read and Alderman Counts provided the second.

Mayor Blum asks if there were any questions before the vote.

**Board Polls as follows:**

<b>Alderman Tate</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Alderman Marrocco</b>	<b>AYE</b>
<b>Alderman Pierce</b>	<b>AYE</b>	<b>Alderman Counts</b>	<b>AYE</b>

***Bill 2010-11 becomes Ordinance 1577***

**4. Resolution No. 2010-04- A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL.**

Alderman Marrocco made the motion to approve Resolution 2010-04 amending policy 5.3 of the City's personnel policy manual modifying the vacation scheduling procedures for the police department and Alderman Counts provided the second. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Unfinished Business:**

**1. St. Clair Home Owner Rehabilitation Project**

Administrator Arndt stated applications for the local grant project are still being accepted. Eligible applicants have to live within the St. Clair City limits, own their own home, and make less than \$33,950.00 for a household of two or less; or less than \$39,040.00 for a household of three or more. There have been 58 applications received at City Hall to date. Four of the 58 applicants do not qualify. The applications have been available for about a month and a half. The next step is to attend the meeting on April 10, 2010 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Community Center. This educational seminar is a requirement for this grant. Administrator Arndt and Inspector Davis are

sending letters out to everyone that has applied for the grant. Administrator Arndt stated this project would run until all 100 grants are received, or for two years.

**New Business:** none

**City Attorney:** Kurt Voss – none

**Departmental Reports:**

**1. Administrator Jim Arndt**

**A.) Bond Committee Meeting**

The next bond committee meeting is scheduled for March 30, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. in the council room.

**B.) Celebrate St. Clair**

Celebrate St. Clair is March 27, 2010 at the Elks. Social hour is at 6:00 p.m. and the dinner will be at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale at the Chamber of Commerce for \$20.00 a ticket.

**C.) Executive Session**

Administrator Arndt is requesting the board to have executive session to discuss collective bargaining.

**D.) Spring Clean Up**

The Citywide spring cleanup is scheduled for Monday thru Friday, May 3, 2010 thru May 7, 2010. No hazardous waste will be picked up, such as tires, paint, batteries, etc. There will also be a fall cleanup this year.

**2. Public Works: Butch Terry-** vacation

**3. Police Department: Chief Hammack-** no report

**4. Building Inspector: Joe Davis** – absent

**5. Planning and Zoning: Myrna Turner** - absent

**6. Parks: Kim Arndt** – absent

**Other Business:**

**Mayor and Board Members**

1. Mayor Blum stated he would like to bring to the board's attention the 2010 Arbor Day Proclamation. Mayor Blum read the proclamation as follows:



The Great City of St. Clair  
“We’re Open for Business!”



## 2010 Arbor Day Proclamation

**WHEREAS**, in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees, and

**WHEREAS**, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in the State of Nebraska, and

**WHEREAS**, Arbor Day is now celebrated on the first Friday in April within the State of Missouri, and

**WHEREAS**, the great city of St. Clair proclaims the importance of trees within our community and recognizes the value trees undeniably add to the lives of the citizenry, and

**WHEREAS**, the city of St. Clair recognizes the planting of trees increases property values, enhances the economic vitality of our commercial properties, and beautifies our community.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED**, by Ron Blum, the Mayor of St. Clair, Missouri, that Arbor Day is hereby celebrated within the great city of St. Clair on Saturday April 3rd, 2010 with the planting of two Cleveland Pear Trees in Evergreen Park.

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Mayor –Ron Blum

2. Alderman Pierce asked Administrator Arndt if there was any progress with the gravel for Dogwood Street. Administrator Arndt stated that Public Works Director Butch Terry is on vacation this week and he would talk to him about this next week.

**Public Participation:**

1. John Rinks, 1545 North Commercial, asked the board to check to see why the water rates are going up and the meters are not being paid attention to. He stated his present reading this month is less that what it was quoted on February 4, 2010. Administrator Arndt stated this was quite simple and he was previously advised that the readings were estimated two months in a row due to inclement weather and your bill will be caught back up and credited after they are read. John Rinks stated he understood that, but the amount of

water used is off by 10,000 of gallons and he could not understand that.  
Administrator Arndt stated again after they are read his bill would be adjusted.

**Motion for Executive Session:** Alderman Marrocco made the motion at 7:21p.m. to enter into executive session pursuant to RSMO § 610.021 to discuss collective bargaining and Alderman Pierce provided the second. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**Re-Opening of Open Meeting**

At 7:30 p.m., Alderman Marrocco made the motion to re-open the open meeting and Alderman Counts provided the second.

**Next Scheduled Meeting:** Monday April 5, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

**Adjournment:** Mayor Blum called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. **Alderman Marrocco made the motion to adjourn and Alderman Tate provided the second.**

**Motion carried by voice vote.**

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Ron Blum, Mayor

Date Approved **4/05/2010**

Attest:

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James Arndt, Administrator

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Chris Fawe, City Clerk

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**Present were** Mayor Blum, Administrator Arndt, Alderman Tate, Alderman Marrocco, Alderman Pierce, Alderman Counts and Attorney Voss.

Discussion was on various collective bargaining positions with no votes or action taken.

**Re-Opening of Open Meeting:**

Alderman Marrocco made the motion to re-open the meeting to the public at 7:30 p.m. and Alderman Counts provided the second.

**Board Polls as follows:**

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