

**City of St. Clair
#1 Paul Parks Drive
St. Clair, MO 63077
City Council Meeting
July 6, 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, Alderman Marrocco, Alderman Tate, Alderman Pierce and Alderman Dierker. Administrator Arndt was on vacation. Attorney Voss was absent.

Mayor Blum led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Consent Agenda:

Mayor Blum asked for approval of the monthly bills from June 18, thru June 30, 2010, and the Board of Alderman meeting minutes from June 21, 2010.

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

Motion carried by voice vote.

Awards and Recognition:

1. Mayor Blum stated the Business of the month for July is Household Sales and Leasing.
2. St. Clair Community Pride Award for the month is for three recipients:
 - 1.) Verna Edwards, 365 E. Gravois and the award was presented by Alderman Pierce.
 - 2.) Crab Apple Village Senior Home, 214 Hartman Place and the award was presented to Gloria Isgriggs by Alderman Dierker.
 - 3.) Robert Embly, 385 Grant Street, there was no one present to receive the award.
3. The St. Clair Pageant winners presented the Mayor and the Board of Alderman a donation for \$646.00 for the 2010 fireworks. Present were **Baby Mister**-John Strothcamp Jr., **Toddler Miss**-Morgan Benton, **Tiny Miss**-Kaylee Rampani, **Little Miss**-Kasandra Fryer, **Pre-teen Miss**-Meggan Harmon, **Miss Community Service**-Haylee Hughes. Not present were **Baby Miss**-Elaina Carrier, and **Tiny Mister**-Mitchell Lutes Jr.

Ordinances and Resolutions:

1. **Bill No. 2010-24** – AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CORPORATION OF ST. CLAIR, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO A LAND APPLICATION OF BIOSOLIDS AGREEMENT WITH MERRELL BROS., INC . Alderman Dierker introduced Bill No. 2010-

24 for 1st and 2nd reading twice by title only. Mayor Blum read Bill No.2010-24 twice by title only. Alderman Marrocco made the motion to approve Bill number 2010-24 as read and Alderman Dierker provided the second. Mayor Blum asked if there were any questions before the vote.

Board Polls as follows:

Alderman Tate	AYE	Alderman Marrocco	AYE
Alderman Pierce	AYE	Alderman Dierker	AYE

Bill 2010-24 becomes Ordinance 1590

Unfinished Business:

1. Springfield Road Improvements Open House

Mayor Blum stated there would be an open house July 13, 2010 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Room. The public is invited to come in, review the plans, and offer any suggestions they may have. Mayor Blum stated there would be new water and sewer lines installed from highway 30 to the City limits along with new sidewalks. Mayor Blum stated this project is being funded 80% by East West Gateway and 20% by the City of St. Clair.

New Business:

1. Planning and Zoning Commission Appointment

Mayor Blum stated he would like to recommend Jeff Rego to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a three-year term to expire July 2013. **Alderman Marrocco made the motion to appoint Jeff Rego to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a three-year term and Alderman Tate provided the second. Motion carried by voice vote.**

2. 2011-2015 Capital Improvements Plan

Mayor Blum stated a proposed draft of the 2011-2015 Capital Improvements Plan has been placed in the Board's packet to review. The Mayor is asking the Board to bring back any recommendations to the next board meeting.

3. Franklin County MML Meeting

Mayor Blum stated the next Franklin County Municipal League dinner will be held in Union at the City Park on Wednesday July 21, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Blum asked the Board to notify City Clerk Chris Fawe by Friday July 9, if they plan to attend.

City Attorney: Kurt Voss –absent

Departmental Reports:

1. Administrator Jim Arndt -vacation

2. Public Works: Julia Schiermeyer- Mayor Blum introduced Julia, stating she has hit the ground running and that she will be a terrific addition to our community with her knowledge of Water and Wastewater.

3. Police Department: Chief Hammack- vacation

4. Building Inspector: Joe Davis – no report

5. Planning and Zoning: Myrna Turner - absent

6. Parks: Kim Arndt – Barb McGlenn stated she would like to thank everyone for making Freedom Fest a great success. Barb McGlenn stated although it was tremendously hot, there was still a great turnout for the fireworks. Barb McGlenn stated she would like to thank the City and City Council for their support over the last four years of Freedom Fest. The Park Board will now start planning for Boo Bash. Mayor Blum and Barb McGlenn thanked the St. Clair Pageant winners for their donation. Mayor Blum thanked the Parks Department for all their hard work and keeping it free to the public.

Other Business:

Mayor and Board Members:

1. Mayor Blum stated after a week of advertising, the City received 46 applications for the Building Inspector’s position. On Friday July 2, Mayor Blum and Administrator Arndt interviewed six applicants, and they felt that applicant Mark Taylor would do an outstanding job for the City. Mayor Blum stated Mark Taylor has been a Building Inspector for four years for the City of Eureka; he has his (C.B.O.) Certified Building Official, he is good with plan reviews; and he is familiar with inspections and has prepared disaster plans for FEMA. Mayor Blum is recommending Mark Taylor to the Board for the Building Inspector’s position. Mayor Blum asked if there were any questions. Alderman Pierce asked if the Board could see the rest of the applications. Mayor Blum stated they could see them if they would like. Mayor Blum stated it is his understanding that the Board put Administrator Arndt in the position to do the interviews and bring recommendations back to the Board. Alderman Marrocco stated if the Mayor and Administrator Arndt both did the interviews, she is comfortable making the motion to hire Mr. Taylor. Alderman Pierce stated chapter 79 states the Board would make the decision. Alderman Marrocco stated the Board is making the decision, that when Chief Hammack hires an officer the Board does not see all the applications. Alderman Pierce stated that is Chief Hammack’s job. Alderman Marrocco stated that is Administrator Arndt’s job also. Alderman Pierce asks why a Board was needed then. Alderman Marrocco stated that is what Administrator Arndt was hired for and the Mayor sits in on the interviews. Alderman Pierce stated he is just a lonely guy out here and you all do what you want, we don’t need to argue about it because you’re just going to do it anyway.

Alderman Marrocco made the motion to hire Mark Taylor as the Building Inspector and Alderman Dierker provided the second.

Alderman Tate	AYE	Alderman Marrocco	AYE
Alderman Pierce	NAY	Alderman Dierker	AYE

Motion carried

2. Mayor Blum stated he would like to pass out a letter from Diana Love Dierker, she participated in the Comprehensive Plan and was a grant participant, she is thanking the Board for the wonderful job they are doing.
3. Mayor Blum stated he has an informational packet for the Board regarding the airport. Mayor Blum stated there are countless stories in our community and elsewhere about our City owned airport. Mayor Blum stated himself and

Administrator Arndt put together a summary of airport ownership documentation for the public to view. Mayor Blum stated what it simply shows is that the great City of St. Clair had purchased the land and it is St. Clair City property. Mayor Blum stated this land was not donated by any pilots association for in perpetuity. Mayor Blum stated all this documentation is on record if anyone would like to see it. Mayor Blum stated the ordinance research has been done and the time line when the grants were acquired and the purpose of that grant funding. Mayor Blum stated he thought this would be nice for the Alderman to have this information on hand so they could answer any questions that might be asked. Alderman Pierce stated it looks like a good job was done with the informational packet and probably should have been done a long time ago.

4. Alderman Marrocco stated everything Barb McGlenn and Kim Arndt did for the Freedom Fest is just phenomenal. Alderman Marrocco stated they worked so hard. Alderman Marrocco thanked Mayor Blum and wife Karen for staying at Freedom Fest all day along with her and husband Vince. Alderman Marrocco stated there were many good comments on the firework display.

Public Participation:

1. Verna Edwards 365 E. Gravois, ask what the objection was to Alderman Pierce looking at the other applications. Mayor Blum stated there were not any objections that Alderman Pierce could look at the applications any time he wanted to.

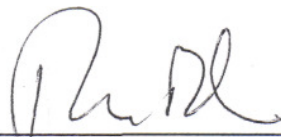
Motion for Executive Session: none

Re-Opening of Open Meeting

Next Scheduled Meeting: Monday July 19, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Mayor Blum called for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. **Alderman Pierce made the motion to adjourn and Alderman Tate provided the second.**


Motion carried by voice vote.



Ron Blum, Mayor

Date Approved **7/19/2010**

Attest:



Chris Fawe, City Clerk