

**August 3, 2020**  
**Tipton City Council Meeting**

Mayor Lutz opened the 2020 tax levy public hearing at 6 p.m. A sign-in sheet of those in attendance is listed in the tax levy file. The proposed general fund levy is \$0.7609 and library is \$0.2400 per \$100 of assessed value. It was noted that the assessed values will increase next year and the general tax rates increased \$0.0116 from last year. There was no public comment and the hearing closed at 6:02 p.m.

The city council meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. Answering roll call were Mayor Joe Lutz, Aldermen Randy Clifford, Mark Hampton, Don Basinger, Mike Kelley and Counselor Cydney Mayfield. Supt. of Public Works Jeff Koechner, Fire Chief Aaron Fassler, Police Chief Edward Wiecken and City Clerk Jennifer Schmidt were also present.

John Scheper, owner of Mid-Missouri Radio (KRLI) and Scheper Communications, is interested in leasing space on the tower sitting on City property that has been abandoned by a previous cable. Scheper stated he is willing to work on the legal end to get the tower registered with the FCC in exchange for rent on the tower. His company will clean up items on the tower, the ground beneath it and install a new outbuilding. Mayor Lutz asked the property committee to review the issue and bring a suggestion back to the next meeting.

Hampton moved to accept the minutes of the July 6, 2020 open meeting. Seconded by Basinger. Roll call vote: Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes; Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes.

The following updates were made:

1. Koechner stated he met with Durkin Equipment to start on the wastewater SCADA project and the representative recommends dropping the north lagoon dialer and adding probes for future plant growth for an increase in total project cost of \$11,000. Basinger moved to approve the SCADA system change order 1 to increase the project cost \$11,000. Seconded by Hampton. Roll call vote was taken: Kelley, yes; Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes; Basinger, yes.
2. Koechner reported that the probes currently in use need replaced at a cost of \$2,730.
3. There have been issues with a digester blower at the wastewater plant. Due to it being a necessary item, Mayor Lutz authorized its purchase costing approximately \$7,000.
4. Koechner stated the engineer's estimate to repair and replace the asphalt on Ferguson Ave is over \$954,000; the asphalt bid is \$744,000. The street committee is to review options and have a suggestion for the next meeting. The council also agreed that "no truck" signs should be posted on Ferguson.
5. Wiecken asked the council to consider applying for the MO Dept. of Public Safety Local Law Enforcement Grant. It will fund up to \$9,999.99 for officer safety equipment including body and in car cameras. Hampton moved to apply for funding with the MO Dept. of Public Safety Local Law Enforcement Grant for body and in car cameras. Seconded by Kelley. Roll call vote was taken: Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes; Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes.
6. Crider went over the code enforcement report and stated he has spoken with the owner of Ash Village Trailer Court.
7. Fassler reported the park board met and suggested the disc golf course be placed at the park. The board heard recommendations from Johnathan Libbert and Justin & Jessica Homan. Homan passed out a proposed course. It is expected to cost \$5,000. Council agreed to add it to next fiscal year's budget.

**August 3, 2020**  
**Tipton City Council Meeting**

8. Mayor Lutz announced that the City is purchasing Dr. Vanderfelt's building, 103 W Moniteau and the closing will be on August 19.
9. Clifford stated he and Basinger met with Tipton R-VI Superintendent Terry Robinson and St. Andrew Principal Julie Mitchum about crossing guard issues. The City does not have an agreement with either school saying the City is responsible for hiring and paying them. The schools agreed to each take a cross walk and work together on scheduling. The City will continue to notify MoDot of the school schedules and the flashing light time.
10. Mayor Lutz stated he met with MoDot representatives regarding the condition of Hwy B and the right of way along Hwy 50. MoDot believes the city is responsible for all right of ways due to an agreement from 1952. Mayfield is scheduled to discuss the issue with MoDot's central regional legal counsel and will report back to the council next month.
11. Mayor Lutz stated nothing has been done to the dangerous structure at 501 E Morgan St. He will discuss with the owner and give him a deadline.

In new business, Bill 20-06 was prepared to amend the City's charge code manual, adding the state's additional offenses. Kelley moved to read Bill 20-06 by title. Seconded by Basinger. Roll call vote: Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes; Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes. Mayor Lutz read Bill 20-06 by title. Basinger moved to read Bill 20-06 by title a second time. Seconded by Kelley. Roll call vote: Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes; Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes. Mayor Lutz read Bill 20-06 by title a second time. Roll call vote: Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes; Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes.

Bill 20-07 was prepared to set the 2020 tax levy for the general and library funds. Kelley moved to read Bill 20-07 by title. Seconded by Basinger. Roll call vote: Hampton, yes; Clifford, yes; Kelley, yes; Basinger, yes. Mayor Lutz read Bill 20-07 by title. Basinger moved to read Bill 20-07 by title a second time. Seconded by Kelley. Roll call vote: Kelley, yes; Clifford, yes; Basinger, yes; Hampton, yes. Mayor Lutz read Bill 20-07 by title a second time. Roll call vote was taken: Clifford, yes; Hampton, yes; Basinger, yes; Kelley, yes.

In other new business, Hampton reported him and Kelley met with the owner of the Ash Village Trailer Court about updating the mobile home ordinance and partnering up to get nuisances removed.

Kelley moved to pay the bills. Seconded by Basinger. Roll call vote: Kelley, yes; Hampton, yes; Basinger, yes; Clifford, no.

Basinger moved to adjourn. Seconded by Kelley. Roll call vote: Hampton, yes; Clifford, yes; Kelley, yes; Basinger, yes. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

---

Jennifer Schmidt, City Clerk