

**November 5, 2018**  
**Tipton City Council Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. Answering roll call were Mayor Jennifer Cary, Aldermen Mark Hampton, Charlie Hainen, Don Basinger and Mike Kelley and Legal Counsel Cydney Mayfield. Supt. of Public Works Jeff Koechner, Fire Chief Aaron Fassler and City Clerk Jennifer Schmidt were also present.

Michelle Stufflebean, Tipton Community pool board member, presented the council with a brief history of the 60+ year old pool and pictures. The pool board will deed the city their land if the city would authorize and voters would approve a ½ cent sales tax to fund a new pool and enhance the park at the April 2019 election. Council took no action at this time and will rely on legal counsel to inform them of options in new business.

Alderman Kelley moved to accept the minutes of the October 1, 2018 open meeting. Seconded by Alderman Basinger and the motion carried in full.

The following updates were made:

1. The water tower construction crew has been on site.
2. The MO. Dept. of Natural Resources has approved the engineer's drawings and plans for the waste water treatment plant basins. Bids are due on Dec. 19, 11 a.m.
3. Alderman Basinger moved to advertise for a full time officer with the announcement of Butch Rugen's retirement in March 2019. Seconded by Alderman Kelley and the motion carried in full.
4. Code Enforcement Officer, Bruce Crider, reported on his monthly activity. The city will need to mow one property. Hainen requested that public works employees start picking up dead animals on the roadways. Robert Stoner's daughter, Stacey, is to provide Mayfield with fence material pictures and stated it should be installed by the end of the year.
5. Alderman Kelley moved to advertise for a park activity director due to the resignation of Kyle Renfro. Seconded by Alderman Basinger and the motion carried in full. A certificate of appreciation will be sent to Renfro.
6. One bid was received for the library building foundation repair. Advanced Foundation bid \$10,775 and was in line with a proposal received from another firm prior to the bid announcement. Alderman Hampton moved to approve Advanced Foundation's bid, \$10,775. Seconded by Alderman Hainen and the motion carried in full.

In new business, the council was asked to review the current library building lease with the Price James Memorial Library Board of Trustees. The current agreement expires Jan. 31, 2019. The City's annual expenses to date is \$1,020.

The council discussed passing an ordinance requiring residents to remove their trash carts from the city's right of ways after trash is collected. The council agreed to place an ad or make a social media post asking residents to remove the carts from the streets.

Mayor Cary signed the MO Registered Apprenticeship Week Proclamation.

Mayfield reported a Supreme Court case was finalized on internet sales tax and the city is missing out on collecting sales tax on internet sales. A use tax was passed previously with the incorrect tax rate and then failed the second time. Citizens must authorize a use tax to collect internet sales

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tax by November 2019. Mayfield also discussed the city's options for authorizing a park sales tax. There are four options under state statute, Chapters 644, 94, 90 and 79. The current park board is established under Chapter 90; however no tax is collected. The city currently has a 1 cent general sales tax, ½ cent transportation and ¼ cent fire sales tax. The city cannot have a sales tax rate higher than 2 cents. Mayfield is going to review state statute to make sure the transportation and fire sales tax are not included in the 2 cent maximum. Alderman Hainen moved to authorize preparing two ordinances, one for a park and storm water sales tax and the other for a use tax for the council to consider at the December meeting. Seconded by Alderman Kelley and the motion carried in full.

In other new business, Schmidt reported the 2019 health insurance renewal went up 17.5% and other options are being reviewed.

Mayfield stated the county prosecutor cannot also be the city prosecutor. The issue may need to be addressed if Mary Kay Lutz wins the county election.

Hainen asked that the mailbox on Saline St be moved back off of the street; the post office will be contacted.

Alderman Kelley moved to pay the bills. Seconded by Alderman Basinger and the motion carried in full.

Alderman Hampton moved to adjourn. Seconded by Alderman Basinger and the motion carried in full. The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

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Jennifer Schmidt, City Clerk