

# OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, January 7, 2014  
Council Chambers  
7:00 p.m.

## ROLL CALL

**Present:** Council Members Louderman, Hark, Locke, Dobson, Lionberger and Mayor Hark - 6

**Absent:** Mayor Pro Tem Knickerbocker - 1

## CALL TO ORDER

There being a quorum present, Mayor Hark called the meeting to order.

## INVOCATION

At this time, Council Member Lionberger gave the invocation.

## PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Dobson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Mayor Hark entertained a motion to excuse Mayor Pro Tem Knickerbocker from the meeting. Motion was made by Council Member Louderman and seconded by Council Member Hark, as directed by the Mayor.

Motion carried.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting – December 17, 2013

Motion was made by Council Member Louderman to approve the minutes of the regularly scheduled Council meeting that was held on December 17, 2013. Motion was seconded by Council Member Locke.

Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND CLAIMS**  
**Second Half – December, 2013**

Motion was made by Council Member Locke to approve the payroll and claims for the second half of December, 2013. Motion was seconded by Council Member Hark.

Motion carried.

**STEVE AYERS – RENAISSANCE HANNIBAL**  
**Re: Request, Street Closure – Downtown Art Fair**  
*(June 20, – June 22, 2014)*

Mr. Steve Ayers came to Council, on behalf of Renaissance Hannibal, seeking approval to hold the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Downtown Art Fair June 20 – June 22, 2014. Ayers requested closure of Main Street for this event, adding that his request is the same as those for past fairs. Ayers advised that this year the show is being expanded and he believes that this can be built into a nationally recognized event. He informed Council that Renaissance Hannibal has a \$25,000 promotional budget for the Downtown Art Fair this year. According to Ayers, Renaissance Hannibal is an economic development organization.

Ayers specific request was for street closure of Main from Broadway to North, continuing from the flood wall to the alley between Main and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets. Council Member Dobson noted that there were a couple blocks of crosswalks still needing construction in the area. He suggested that work on these may interfere with the requested fair areas; however, City Engineer Rees advised that these should be completed by that date. Council Member Dobson made a motion to approve Ayers' request. Motion was seconded by Council Member Louderman.

Motion carried.

**ROY G. HARK - MAYOR**  
**Re: Approval of Appointment**

Mayor Hark reminded Council of a candidate presented at the last meeting for the Industrial Development Authority. This was:

**INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**➤ James Grisham – Appointment for a term to expire January, 2020**

He asked Council for their approval of this nomination. Motion was made by Council Member Louderman to approve James Grisham's appointment to the Industrial Development Authority for a term to expire January, 2020. Motion was seconded by Council Member Locke.

Motion carried.

## **Re: Recommendation of Appointment**

Mayor Hark made the following recommendation:

### **LANDMARKS & MONUMENT BOARD**

- **Frank Salter – Reappointment for a term to expire January, 2017**

This nomination will be considered for approval at the next regular Council meeting, to be held on January 21, 2014.

## **JEFF LAGARCE – CITY MANAGER**

### **Re: “Welcome To” Signage on State Right-of-Way – Agreement for Signing Installed & Maintained by Applicant**

*Missouri Highways & Transportation Commission  
(Resolution No. 1939-14, to follow)*

City Manager LaGarce introduced the next item on the agenda, Resolution No, 1939-14, to follow, that would approve a required, right-of way maintenance agreement with Missouri Highways & Transportation Commission to erect welcome signs on state right-of-way. This is a requirement of MoDOT, in order to erect the citywide signage. According to LaGarce, this agreement addresses the permissible sign types, traffic control and insurance that would protect MoDOT.

He added that four main signs would be installed, two on Highway 36 and two on US61; and, Council had requested that he research the possibility of illuminating these. An additional sign would be place on Highway 79, near Sawyer’s Creek; however, this sign would not be illuminated. Cost for illumination would be less than \$920.00 per sign for solar-powered devices with battery backup.

LaGarce had reviewed the agreement and requested approval of the Resolution that would, in turn, approve the agreement with Missouri Highways & Transportation Commission, as well.

## **Re: Recommendation of Appointment**

City Manager LaGarce made the following recommendation:

### **HANNIBAL PARK BOARD**

- **Kevin Rushing – Appointment for an unexpired term to expire January, 2015**

This nomination will be considered for approval at the next regular Council meeting, to be held on January 21, 2014.

In conclusion, LaGarce publicly thanked the Street Department and the Parks Department for all the hard work that they had done during the past five days. He explained the some of the Street Department personnel had worked 21 hours straight to keep the roadways passable.

Mayor Hark concurred, adding that he had gotten input from many citizens who made comments about the good job that had been done.

**GAIL BRYANT – HCVB DIRECTOR**  
**Re: Molly Brown House Operation – Vendor Agreement**  
*Hannibal History Museum Foundation*  
*(Bill No. 14-001, to follow)*

HCVB Director Gail Bryant presented the final item on the agenda, Bill No. 14-001, to follow, for Council's consideration. With their approval, this bill would receive a first reading later, during the meeting. Bill No. 14-001 would allow the Mayor to enter into a vendor agreement with Ken and Lisa Marks, representing the Hannibal History Museum Foundation, in conjunction with their fiscal agent, Marion County Historical Society, to assume daily operations and management of the Molly Brown Birthplace and Museum.

She referenced an outline of recommendations from the Molly Brown Committee and the HCVB Board, adding that, at the current time, many of the detail had already been resolved. She pointed out that a listing of modifications to the proposal were included in the Council packet. These were:

- City of Hannibal would retain responsibility of the parking lot on Denkler's alley, including routine maintenance and striping and only roof repairs to the structure. All other maintenance, landscaping and repairs would be the responsibility of the lessee.
- Any modifications and/or improvements to the property including landscaping and signage would be the full responsibility of the lessee, once the modifications were pre-approved by the City.
- The HCVB would continue to include the existing promotion and marketing media of the Molly Brown Museum for the remaining 2013-2014 year. Any marketing and promotion of the museum following 2014 would be the sole expense of the lessee.
- Requirement by the City of a \$10,000 Surety Bond from the lessee to protect the City should the lessee default in performance of their responsibility to maintain and operate the property as outlined in the operating agreement.

Bryant stated that it was the recommendation of staff that this proposal and vendor agreement be approved if all conditions are met. Bill No. 14-001 would receive a first reading with Council approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. 1939-14**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT  
WITH THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RELATIVE TO THE INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WELCOME  
SIGNAGE ON STATE RIGHTS-OF-WAY**

Council Member Hark made motion to have the Clerk read Resolution 1939-14 and call the roll for adoption. Council Member Louderman seconded motion.

Motion carried.

**Roll Call**

**Yes:** Council Members Louderman, Hark, Locke, Dobson, Lionberger and Mayor Hark – 6

**No:** -0-

**Absent:** Mayor Pro Tem Knickerbocker - 1

Mayor Hark declared Resolution No. 1939-14 duly approved and adopted on this date.

**BILL NO. 14-001**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A VENDOR AGREEMENT WITH THE HANNIBAL HISTORY MUSEUM FOUNDATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THEIR FISCAL AGENT, MARION COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, A 501(C)(3) NON-PROFIT CORPORATION FOR THE OPERATION OF THE MOLLY BROWN HOUSE LOCATED AT 600 BUTLER AVENUE, HANNIBAL, MISSOURI 63401**

**FIRST READING**

Motion was made by Council Member Dobson to give Bill No. 14-001 a first reading. Motion was seconded by Council Member Hark.

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Council Member Louderman to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Locke.

Motion carried.