

CITY OF HANNIBAL
OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, May 15, 2018
Council Chambers
7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Council Members Welch, Veach, Godert, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, Council Member Cogdal, Mayor Hark and Council Member Van Hoose – 7

Absent: - 0 -

CALL TO ORDER

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

INVOCATION

The invocation was given at this time by Council Member Van Hoose.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hark then requested Officer Jobe, from Hannibal Police Department, to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dobson to approve the agenda as posted and presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting – May 1, 2018

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to approve the minutes for the last regularly scheduled Council meeting held May 1, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Van Hoose.

Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND CLAIMS
First Half – May, 2018

A motion was then made by Mayor Pro Tem Dobson to approve the payroll and claims for the first half of May, 2018. The motion was seconded by Council Member Veach.

Motion carried.

ALAN BOWEN – LOAFER’S CAR CLUB
Re: Annual Loafer’s Car Show

Alan Bowen representing the Loafer’s Car Club came forward thanking Council for allowing them to have the 23rd annual car show with a total of 327 registered cars.

Ian and Mary Taylor from Kingsbury, Warwickshire, United Kingdom, who traveled 6600 miles to the car show easily won a trophy for the farthest traveled.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, question Mr. Bowen if there were any comments about parking, he advised one of the downtown businesses expressed concerns about the participants parking in front of his store and advised that he would have any vehicles towed away. Mr. Bowen did state there were about 20 cars, even with no parking signs posted, that were still parked in the area, in which he called the Hannibal Police Department to help get vehicles moved. He thanked the officers for coming down at 6:30 and calling the vehicle owners to have the vehicles moved.

MELISSA CUMMINS – MARK TWAIN FOUNDATION
Re: Request, Street Closures & Alcohol Sales/Public Consumption
Music Under the Stars

Thursdays, May 31 – August 30, 2018
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Melissa Cummins representing Mark Twain Foundation came forward to request street closure for Music Under the Stars for their 12th season. Ms. Cummins explained Music Under the Stars will have 14 concerts this year and will be every Thursday from May 31 – August 30, 2018. They requested Hill Street to be closed off that is adjacent to Third Street running towards the river for the safety of the public and they also requested alcohol to be served by Main Street

Wine Stoppe and Cave Hollow West Winery. Mayor Hark did mention that he, himself received phone calls from a citizen that was very concerned about pedestrians crossing Main Street. Mayor Hark asked if Ms. Cummins had contacted the businesses that the street closure would impact, in which she explained that she had and they were well aware and fine with the closing of the street.

City Clerk Zerbonia advised all insurance requirements have been met and are on file.

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to approve the requested street closures and serving of alcohol at Music Under the Stars for their 12th season. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dobson.

Motion carried.

STACEY NICHOLS/ARON LEE – TOYS FOR TOTS

Re: Request, Street Closures – Pedal Hannibal

Saturday, August 11, 2018 – 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Aron Lee representing Toys for Tots came forward to request street closures for their event, Pedal Hannibal which will be Saturday August 11, 2018. Mr. Lee explained that Toys for Tots recently lost their national sponsor, Toys R Us, which is about \$2000-\$3000 of funds lost for their campaign. Due to this loss, Toys for Tots will be doing multiple fundraisers this year to help offset. Mr. Lee explained they have two routes for the event. He is requesting to close 4th Street between Center and Broadway with barricades along with officers from HPD to help divert traffic temporary from the intersection for the first round of riders to keep on the designated route safely. Mr. Lee explained he has contacted Toys for Tots foundation and is getting a certificate of liability insurance from them and it will be on file before the event.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson made a motion to approve the street closure for Toys for Tots, contingent that insurance is on file prior to the event. Council Member Veach seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

TRISHA O'CHELTREE – HANNIBAL JAYCEES

Re: AMENDED Request, Additional Dates – National Tom Sawyer Days

June 27 – July 7, 2018

Trisha O'Cheltree on behalf of the Hannibal Jaycee's came forward to amend their previous request for dates and street closures for their annual National Tom Sawyer Days. According to Ms. O'Cheltree a new carnival was selected and since this company has never been to Hannibal, they would like to set up two days earlier than before. Hannibal Jaycee's is requesting the closure of Lyon Street to begin on June 27th so the carnival can be up and running on June 30th as previously approved by Council.

Council Member Van Hoose made a motion to approve the two additional days of street closures so the carnival can set up. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

Motion carried.

MIKE O'CHELTREE – HISTORIC HANNIBAL MARKETING COUNCIL
Re: AMENDED Request, Use of Additional City Owned Property – Twain on Main
May 26 – 27, 2018

Katy Ayers on behalf of Historic Hannibal Marketing Council came forward to amend their request that was previously approved by Council. Twain on Main will be May 26 – 27, 2018 and they are asking for additional parking located at the corner of 100 Main Street, which is City owned. They are requesting to designate the parking lot for disabled parking for Twain on Main festival. City Clerk Zerbonia explained Hannibal Police Department inquired who would be monitoring this lot, Ms. Studer explained this would be an honor system in which she is hoping that citizens will not take advantage of it. She also stated that they plan on having proper signage displayed to show the parking lot is for handicap parking only.

Council Member Veach made a motion to approve the amended request to include the parking lot at the corner of 100 Main Street to be designated as disabled parking. Council Member Welch seconded the motion.

Motion carried

LISA MARKS – HISTORIC HANNIBAL TOURS
Re: AMENDED Request, Additional Dates – Main Street Vintage Market Show & Sale
June 8 – 10, 2018

Lisa Marks representing Historic Hannibal Tours came forward to amend her request for Main Street Vintage Market Show and Sale that is scheduled for June 8-10. Ms. Marks is requesting that the vendors be allowed to set up Friday June 8th. She is requesting the 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street and the parking lot at Bird and Main Street to be closed off from traffic starting Friday at 5:00 p.m. and ending Sunday at 5:00 p.m.

City Clerk Zerbonia stated the City is still waiting on their certificate of insurance, Ms. Marks replied her insurance company is working on completing that. Mayor Hark asked if security measures have been taken to ensure safety and Ms. Marks explained they have hired their own private security for the event.

Council Member Veach made a motion to approve the amended request for Friday June 8th pending the certificate of insurance is on file prior to the event. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**Re: Request, Street Closures & Use of City Owned Property – Main Street Vintage
Market Show & Sale**
September 28 – 30, 2018

Ms. Mark's next order of business is to request the 200 and 300 blocks of Main Street and the parking lot at Bird and Main Street to be closed off from traffic starting Friday September 28th at 5:00 p.m. and ending Sunday September 30th at 5:00 p.m.

City Clerk Zerbonia stated no certificate of insurance on file for this event in which Ms. Marks explained that the certificate of insurance she is obtaining will cover both events.

Council Member Veach made a motion to approve Main Street Vintage Market Show and Sale slated for September pending the certificate of insurance is on file prior to the event. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Lisa Marks then thanked Council for assisting with all the events that are now occurring and have since they came to Hannibal 10 years ago.

HARRY GRAVES – 4156 WOODRIDGE
Re: Request to Speak – Board of Public Works Bond Issue for GAC

Harry Graves, citizen of Hannibal, addressed Council relating to the Board of Public Works issuing bonds for the GAC process. He would like to dispute that the implementing of the GAC process to remove ammonia from our water is an already decided issue. Mr. Graves said he spoke to one of the Council members and they told him that the "vote of the people is sacred". He believes the previous vote on this matter was very flawed. The citizens of Hannibal were offered the benefit of better water without the obligation of having to pay for it, so of course people voted for the "free lunch". Now that the filtration system is getting put in place and we are going from good water to better water the citizens should be able to vote if they do or don't want to go forth with this project. The vote produced an ordinance that BPW had to remove the ammonia but later the ordinance was amended by City Council to allow more reasonable time for implementation time. The Council has a chance to review that decision now that we know what the cost is going to be before moving forward. Mr. Graves really hopes that when it comes to the vote in August, citizens will consider these factors.

1. The water portion of your BPW bill increase by 60% or more
2. Most water that is used is not for human consumption
3. There are more efficient alternatives to provide ammonia free water to people
4. Utility rates in Hannibal are already above average
5. It would be unwise and unfair to cost shift the burden of this project
6. Utility rates are exceeding inflation

7. Utility customers will see other significant rate increases to fund storm water, drainage, infrastructure improvement and repairs in the near future.
8. High water cost will encourage conservation and this will reduce consumption which will force up the cost per gallon even more

He stated the Board is waiting for a new rate study and the citizens should get a chance to look at the results very closely before anything is decided on. Mr. Graves would like to ask City Council to refrain from approving Bill No. 18-010 until language to affirm or ascend the decision to remove ammonia from our water supply is added to the bond issue.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Mr. Graves that the City sponsored a rate study by Jacob's Engineering before this was implemented. Mr. Graves advised he was there, but many voters didn't vote at all and he feels they should have another chance to vote since we now know what the cost is going to be.

Council Member Cogdal advised she looked to see how long Chapter 19 has been in the code, which is voter initiative, but she couldn't find the actual date; she did advise that she had also done research on voter turnout since 2000 the average voter turnout on municipal elections is about 1400 people. Since 2010 it has actually dropped to about 1350 people. The largest municipal election held since 2000 was the 2016 Mayor election. She explained the vote in question was actually the third highest since 2000. The vote on Proposition S and Proposition W in 2013 was actually passed with about 886, it was a bond issue for about \$21.5 million by the BPW which cost the citizens about 51% increase. Council Member Cogdal did state that with this vote, 1256 citizens voted yes and 894 citizens voted no, so there was a decent turnout for this vote.

Council Member Cogdal disagreed with Mr. Graves that the information wasn't given to the public although she didn't dispute that BPW didn't give out enough information, however, she believes City Council did. The description on the ballot was pretty detailed; although it didn't have a cost, by law it doesn't have to.

**HEATH HALL – BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, INTERIM GENERAL MANAGER
Re: Water System Bond Election Ordinance**

Heath Hall Board of Public Works Interim General Manager then addressed Council with a combination of business items, along with some exciting news.

He thanked the BPW Board members for supporting him this evening and attending the Council meeting; there were also a couple BPW employees in the crowd he wanted to acknowledge, Kara Goodman, PR Coordinator and Matt Munzlinger, Utility Planning and Construction Engineer who both play two key roles in the implantation of the new water system.

As mentioned before at past Council meetings, the Board has elected to fund the chloramine alternative project by selling bonds. The second reading of the proposed bond ordinance language is on the agenda tonight, and if approved it would be on the August 7th ballot for voters to consider. It is titled Proposition A and is for \$17.5 million dollars to cover the addition of a Granular Activated Carbon (GAC) filtration to the water treatment process. This process addition will allow the Board to discontinue the use of ammonia for disinfection.

The Board has been advised that this is not a second vote on disinfecting the drinking water with ammonia; instead this vote would exclusively be for voters to weigh in on whether the project is funded with bonds or not.

Even without voter approval to sell bonds to fund the project, the Board is still obligated under the current City Ordinance (No. 4759) to remove ammonia from the drinking water process by March 31, 2020. Another funding mechanism would be to lease finance the project, which is estimated to cost an additional \$1.4 million over the life of the debt payments.

Re: Update, Chloramine Alternative Project

The BPW received a 30% design set, a few staff members joined Black & Veatch engineers to view a carbon manufacturing plant in Evoqua Pennsylvania that has a similar process in their plant. Hall stated it was nice to see an actual operating GAC system and they were able to see the regeneration process, review vessel size options, and discuss differing types of carbon media. While in the area, they were able to visit an operating GAC system that was part of the Penn State University Water Treatment Plant.

Hall explained one of the key decisions for the project is where to locate the proposed building that would house the GAC vessels. These vessels are quite large (approximately 12 ft. in diameter, and 20-30 ft. in height).

They also require enough room for a semi to load and unload during carbon replacement. Hall advised the building could not be hidden in Riverview Park. Another significant component for the project is how many and what size vessels to install. He then showed a view of the inside of a building which currently housed eight vessels. The Board does have to consider treatment quality and versatility along with economics during carbon deliveries. Hall is hopeful that both of these decisions will likely occur in the next month.

Another round of pilot testing began at the water treatment plant last week; in which Hall distributed a sample of GAC, which is a coconut shell base. The plant will be testing four different carbons from four different manufacturers simultaneously, two bituminous and two coconut shell carbons. Black & Veatch will be on site the second week of May to get the pilot testing started. Since the Board purchased the pilot testing column unit, they can do testing as often as needed and this will be a common practice throughout the life of the GAC treatment system as the science behind GAC advances.

Hall stated that the Board continues to be right on schedule. Their plan is to submit a design to Missouri Department of Natural Resource for approval at the end of September of 2018 and bid the project towards the end of 2018. Construction would begin in the spring of 2019, and take approximately one year to complete.

A board meeting was held just before this evening's Council meeting and the Board did receive the cost of study (COS). The COS indicated a 54% increase was needed over the next 5 years, with 30% being the chloramine replacement project, which calculates a cost of about \$10.56 per month per residential customer; 15% being from the loss of Ralls County water, which equals about \$5.15 per month per residential customer; about 9% inflation increase which equals about \$3.17 per month per residential customer. The Jacob's study mentioned earlier projected about an \$8 per month per customer. Hall advised this is still early and the project has not yet been bid and the price could change either way. BPW did set a public hearing for the June 18th Board meeting to discuss the rate proposals in which there will be a small presentation about the study in little detail.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson questioned if the rate increase would be spread over all rate classes, Hall advised that currently the Board proposed a 3.5% increase on water for July 1st, to mirror the cost of service study, which would be across all rate classes. Hypothetically the meter rate could go up and the usage go down for residential and the opposite for commercial but it should be 3.5% increase across the board.

Council Member Cogdal questioned if the public hearing would be just over the 3.5% increase, in which Hall advised it would be for all utilities, electric, water and sewer, but all increases effective for July 1st will be discussed.

JAMES R. HARK - MAYOR
Re: Approval of Appointments

Mayor Hark reminded Council of a candidate presented as a recommendation of appointment to the Airport Commission during the last meeting:

AIRPORT COMMISSION

- **Michael Riesenbeck – reappointment for a term to expire September, 2021**

Council Member Van Hoose made a motion to reappoint Michael Riesenbeck to the Airport Commission for a term to expire September, 2021. Council Member Veach seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Mayor Hark again reminded Council of a candidate presented as a recommendation of appointment to the Employee Benefit Trust Board during the last meeting:

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT TRUST BOARD

- **Ryan Rapp – reappointment for a term to expire May, 2021**

Council Member Veach made a motion to reappoint Ryan Rapp to the Employee Benefit Trust Board for a term to expire May, 2021. Council Member Welch seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Re: Recommendation of Appointments

Mayor Hark made the following recommendation of appointments:

HANNIBAL HOUSING AUTHORITY

- **Patti Talbert – reappointment for a term to expire April, 2022**
- **Jay Ghanti – reappointment for a term to expire April, 2022**

LIBRARY BOARD

- **Annie Dixon – appointment for a term to expire June 30, 2021**

These nominations will be presented for approval at the next regular Council meeting, to be held June 5, 2018.

**JEFF LAGARCE – CITY MANAGER
Re: Recommendation of Appointment**

City Manager Jeff LaGarce made the following recommendation of appointments:

BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

- **Bill Hatton – reappointment for a term to expire May, 2023**

This nomination will be presented for approval at the next regular Council meeting, to be held June 5, 2018.

City Manager LaGarce also reminded that the budget workshop will be tomorrow evening May 16, 2018 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

ANDY DORIAN – DIRECTOR, PARKS & RECREATION
Re: Partnership Approval, Board of Public Works Tree Removal Bid Process
Townsend Tree Service

Andy Dorian, Director of Parks and Recreation came forward and reminded Council that since 2015 the City has piggy backed off of the Board of Public Works contract with Townsend. Dorian expressed that the Board recently went out for bid and he would like for the City to piggy back, like before, for another three years.

Mayor Hark asked what the rate was for Townsend, Dorian expressed that it is based off of an hourly rate and depends on the project. Mayor Hark asked if Townsend was the sole bidder for the Board in which Dorian concurred and the Board has already approved Townsend Tree Service for three years.

Council Member Godert made a motion to approve the City of Hannibal to piggy back off the Board of Public Works to hire Townsend for their tree services. Council Member Welch seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**Re: Mark Twain Memorial Lighthouse Reconstruction Project – Engineering
Authorization Agreement**
MECO Engineering Company
(Resolution No. 2138-18, to follow)

Dorian then addressed the Mark Twain Memorial Lighthouse, where earlier in the year they hired MECO to conduct a study on the Mark Twain Memorial Lighthouse due to structural issues, they have recommended the structure to be removed and reconstructed. Dorian explained Parks and Recreation has band-aided the lighthouse for many years since its construction in 1960. Dorian stated that it is very easy for water to get into the lighthouse and has had water damage for many years.

With the bicentennial coming up, Parks and Recreation feels it is time to tackle this project. They will be working with the BPW for a lighting project in which the new lighting system will be able to illuminate from the outside and change the colors for special occasions. Dorian explained the lighthouse is the most vandalized structure the Parks Department has and they have purchased a new security camera to protect this asset.

Mayor Pro Team Dobson questioned if the timeframe would be in 2019, in which Dorian advised it could be as early as late 2018. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson also questioned if the lighthouse could be dedicated during the bicentennial celebration, Dorian expressed it might be but it will depend how quick the project can get started.

Council Member Cogdal thanked Dorian on the great projects he is completing around the City and she is excited to see all completed in the future.

MIKE MCHARGUE – STREET DEPARTMENT SUPERVISOR
Re: Preapproval, Budget Amendment & Acquisition Process
Preowned Backhoe

Mike McHargue, Street Department Supervisor came forward stating back in February 2018, City Council approved the sale of surplus equipment namely the Pelican street sweeper and a curbing machine to be auctioned off on GovDeals.com. Both items met the reserve price and were sold for the sum of \$47,500. In addition council approved a one ton truck with a blown engine to be surplus and sold at the City auction, which was sold for the sum of \$6,000. By law, all this money must go back into the half-cent street fund, which can be used for equipment purchases, tractors, trucks, etc.

McHargue is asking for Council’s approval to amend the budget to allow the Street Department to go out for sealed bids for the purchase of a used backhoe. This unit will supplement their current construction equipment, making the department more efficient, and allowing them to work in multiple locations simultaneously. The department has gotten rid of equipment they don’t need, and McHargue would like to use proceeds from the surplus sales to purchase a key piece of equipment that the department needs. The cost of purchasing the used backhoe will not exceed the sum of the three items that were sold as surplus of \$53,500.

Council Member Cogdal asked if approved for purchase, would this would give the department two backhoes, in which McHargue agreed and said this would help prolong the life of the other backhoe.

Mayor Hark asked for clarity that if approved, the cost of the used backhoe would not exceed the total amount of \$53,000, in which McHargue agreed.

Council Member Godert made a motion to approve the budget amendment & acquisition process and allow the Street department to go out for bids for a used backhoe. Council Member Van Hoose seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 2138-18

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A
\$9,300 LUMP SUM NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT, ENGINEERING
AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF
HANNIBAL AND MECO ENGINEERING COMPANY FOR
PROVIDING DESIGN, BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE
ENGINEERING FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE MARK
TWIN MEMORIAL LIGHTHOUSE**

Motion was made by Council Member Veach to have the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2138-18 and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Van Hoose.

Roll Call

Yes: Council Members Welch, Veach and Godert, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, Council Member Cogdal, Mayor Hark and Council Member Van Hoose – 7

No: -0-

Absent: -0-

Motion carried.

Mayor Hark declared Resolution No. 2138-18 duly approved and adopted on this date.

BILL NO. 18-010

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR A MUNICIPAL ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2018 TO ALLOW HANNIBAL VOTERS TO CONSIDER ISSUING REVENUE BONDS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$17,500,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF ACQUIRING, CONSTRUCTING AND IMPROVING THE CITY'S WATERWORKS SYSTEM, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE REMOVAL OF AMMONIA FROM THE DRINKING WATER TREATMENT PROCESS (PROPOSITION A)

Second & Final Reading

A motion was made by Council Member Welch, to have the City Clerk read Bill No. 18-010 and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Cogdal.

ROLL CALL

Yes: Council Members Welch, Veach and Godert, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, Council Member Cogdal, Mayor Hark and Council Member Van Hoose – 7

No: -0-

Absent: -0-

Motion carried.

Mayor Hark declared Bill No. 18-010 duly approved and adopted on this date.

CLOSED SESSION
In Accordance with RSMo. 610-021
• (1) – Legal Actions

Mayor announced there would be no closed session per our City Manager Jeff LaGarce.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was then made by Council Member Van Hoose to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Veach.

Motion carried.

James R. Hark, Mayor

Angelica N. Zerbonia, MRCC - City Clerk