

*City of Hannibal*  
**OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**Tuesday May 16, 2023**  
**Council Chambers**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

**CALL TO ORDER**

There being a quorum present, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson called the meeting to order.

**INVOCATION**

The invocation was then given by Mayor Pro Tem Dobson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson then requested 6<sup>th</sup> Ward Council Member Jeff Veach to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council Member Welch made a motion to excuse Mayor Hark. Motion was seconded by Council Member Veach.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, Mayor Pro Tem Dobson - 4

**No:** Council Members Franke and Phillips – 2

Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised he would like to request two amendments to the agenda as presented to include Steve Terry with the Mark Twain Riverboat and an amendment to Resolution No. 2456-23 to be presented by Megan Rapp, Director of Convention and Tourism.

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to approve the agenda, as amended. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting – April 18, 2023**

**Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting – May 2, 2023**

**Closed Session Minutes- November 1, 2022**

**Closed Session Minutes- November 15, 2022**

**Closed Session Minutes- December 6, 2022**

**Closed Session Minutes- December 20, 2022**

**Closed Session Minutes- January 17, 2023**

**Closed Session Minutes- February 21, 2023**

**Closed Session Minutes- March 7, 2023**

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to approve the regularly scheduled Council minutes of April 18, 2023, and May 2, 2023, as well as the Closed Session Minutes of November 1, 2023, November 15, 2023, December 6, 2023, December 20, 2022, January 17, 2023, February 21, 2023, and March 7, 2023. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

Motion carried.

## **APPROVAL OF PAYROLL AND CLAIMS**

**First Half- May 2023**

A motion was made by Council Member McCoy to approve the payroll and claims for the second half of May 2023. The motion was seconded by Council Member Veach.

Motion carried.

## **MELISSA CUMMINS- MARK TWAIN MUSEUM**

Re: Request, Street Closures – Music Under the Stars  
Request use of Admiral Coontz Armory use for Inclement Weather  
Thursdays June 1- August 31, 2023- 5:00 pm- 10:00 pm

Melissa Cogdal, Deputy City Clerk advised the Council she would be presenting the Mark Twain Home Foundation, request for approval of street closures and request to use the Admiral Coontz Armory in the event of rain on event dates. The request includes three barricades be set up and removed on event day at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Hill Street.

A motion was made by Council Member Welch to approve the street closures as well as the use of the Admiral Coontz Armory for the Music Under the Stars Concert series to run from June 1, until August 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Council Member Phillips.

Motion carried.

**APRIL AZOTEA – HANNIBAL MO.  
Re: Questions for City Council and Mayor**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson welcomed April Azotea forward; Ms. Azotea advised the Council she was here this evening with questions for the Mayor and Council. Ms. Azotea stated she was upset the Mayor had said her name during the last Council meeting, wondered where the City was with the investigation into the City Clerk’s Office, and inquired why the Citizen Complaint Form had not been placed online for citizens to send complaints to the City Manager. Ms. Azotea’s final question was regarding the current liquor Ordinance and its enforcement regarding the State Liquor Laws.

**JAMES R. HARK – MAYOR  
Re: Approval of Appointment  
Historic Development District Commission**

**Bob Yapp – appointment for a term to expire May 2024  
Andrew Wikstrom – appointment for a term to expire May 2028**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised the Council that Bob Yapp has withdrawn his interest in serving a term on the Historic Development District Commission and requested a motion to approve the appointment of Andrew Wikstrom to serve a term to expire in May 2028.

A motion was made by Council Member McCoy to approve the appointment of Andrew Wikstrom for a term to expire May 2028, to the Historic Development District Commission. The motion was seconded by Council Member Veach.

Motion carried.

**Re: Recommendation of Re-appointment  
Airport Commission  
Dick Rupp– reappointment for a term to expire September 2025**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson then made the recommendation of the reappointment to the Airport Commission of Dick Rupp for a term to expire in September 2025.

Reappointment will be slated for approval during the next Council meeting.

Hannibal Employee Benefit Trust Board  
**Bianca Quinn– appointment for a term to expire May 2026**  
**Matt Lay– appointment for a term to expire May 2026**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson then made the recommendation of the reappointments to the Hannibal Employee Benefit Trust Board of Bianca Quinn and Matt Lay for a term to expire in May 2026.

Reappointments will be slated for approval during the next Council meeting.

**LISA PECK – CITY MANAGER**  
**Re: Approval of Appointment**

Planning and Zoning Commission  
**Andrew Wikstrom – appointment for a term to expire June 2024**

Lisa Peck, City Manager advised the Council she is requesting a motion to approve the appointment of Andrew Wikstrom to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire in June 2024.

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to approve the appointment of Andrew Wikstrom for a term to expire June 2024, to the Planning and Zoning Commission. The motion was seconded by Council Member McCoy.

Motion carried.

**Re: Recommendation of Re-appointment**

Planning and Zoning Commission  
**Barry Louderman– appointment for a term to expire June 2027**

Lisa Peck, City Manager then made the recommendation of the reappointment of Barry Louderman to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a term to expire in June 2027. A motion was made by Council Member McCoy and seconded by Council Member Veach and motion was carried. Due to this being the recommendation of reappointment Mr. Louderman will be set for approval during the next regularly scheduled Council Meeting.

Reappointment will be slated for approval during the June 6, 2023, Council meeting.

**Re: Contract Award Recycling Services**  
2 River Industries for Recycling Services  
(Resolution No. 2455-23, to follow)

Lisa Peck, City Manager advised Council that with the passage of Proposition R during the April 4, 2023, ballot she is requesting the approval of Resolution 2455-23 as well as requesting the Mayor to sign and execute a contract with 2 Rivers Industries for recycling services in the City of Hannibal.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Resolution No. 2455-23 is to follow, for approval.

**Re: NECAC & 3 Diamond Development Resolution of Support**  
(Resolution No. 2458-23, to follow)

Lisa Peck, City Manager second item of the evening was requesting the Mayor and Council to approve the passing of Resolution No. 2458-23 in support of 3 Diamond Development LLC funding application to be used for the redevelopment of 109 Virginia Street (Old St. Elizabeths Hospital). The development will be a joint project between 3 Diamond Development and NECAC with portions of the project to include six infills of construction single family homes in the Hope, Gordon, and Settles area.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Resolution No. 2458-23 is to follow, for approval.

**ANDY DORIAN, DIRECTOR – CENTRAL SERVICES**  
**Re: Change Order #1 Airport Terminal Project**  
(Resolution No. 2457-23, to follow)

Andy Dorian, Director of Central Services, approached the Council requesting the approval of Change Order #1 for the Airport Terminal Project. Mr. Dorian explained that three buried lines that crossed the proposed location of the 18” reinforced concrete pipe were located, it required the RCP to be moved a foot deeper to avoid utility lines. Mr. Dorian advised the extra pipe and labor totaled \$2,400.00 which is 95% covered by the grant costing the City \$120.00.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Resolution No. 2457-23 is to follow, for approval.

**RYAN NEISEN, FIRE CHIEF-HANNIBAL FIRE DEPARTMENT**  
**Re: Sale of Surplus Property**

Chief Neisen advised the Council he is seeking approval to surplus property from the Hannibal Fire Department. Mr. Neisen advised there were four items to be sold including 2001 Ford Expedition, SCBA equipment (41 cylinders & 33 facepieces), Briggs and Stratton natural gas generator, and a Kenwood portable radio. Mr. Neisen advised they would be using Purple Wave Online Auction Company, who will handle all the marketing of the equipment.

Council Member McCoy made a motion to approve the sale of the surplus equipment. Council Member Veach seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

**MEGAN RAPP, DIRECTOR OF CONVENTION & TOURISM**  
**Re: Missouri Division of Tourism Grant Agreement**  
(Resolution No.2456-23, to follow)

Megan Rapp advised the Council she is seeking approval for a grant application for Missouri Department of Tourism through the promote Missouri Fund. Ms. Rapp explained that this grant would allow HCVB to request up to \$50,000.00 with the Convention of Visitors Bureau matching the grant 50/50 for a total of \$100,000.00 of funds to assist with advertising in the leisure travel market.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Resolution No. 2456-23 is to follow, for approval.

**STEVE TERRY – MARK TWAIN RIVERBOAT**

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson citing an amendment made to the agenda during approval called Steve Terry, representing the Mark Twain Riverboat, forward to address Council regarding an email sent to Council from the engineering firm Klinger & Associates. This email notified the Council of electrical repairs required by Mr. Terry to the Mark Twain River Boat which would make him compliant with code and Board of Public Works requirements. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised Mr. Terry had been given a due date of March 31, 2022, to complete the required upgrades, and later was granted an extended due date of August 31, 2022, however the repairs have not been completed as of May 15, 2023. Mr. Dobson advised Klinger & Associates advised the parts ordered for the required repairs had been cancelled by Mr. Terry.

Mr. Terry advised it is due to a vendor delay citing “they have still not produced anything.” Mr. Terry stated Rick Craven of Brown Electric has issued a new proposal to Klinger & Associates on May 15, 2023, regarding using a different device, the device will require 12-14 weeks lead time, and then could be installed. Mr. Terry advised the problem he has is Canton towing has made all the required repairs and still has not had their electric restored by the Hannibal Board of Public Works and no one would tell him why, two weeks ago he learned it is because they have not rewired their boats to accommodate the short new power system. Mr. Terry continued advising the supply chain has been a real big problem, but the proposal was sent to Klinger & Associates yesterday and today they received a response stating, “they think this will work.” Mr. Terry advised that by May 17, 2023, he will have the item ordered and move forward with the repairs.

Mr. Terry advised if he is allowed to go back, he will begin the project in “phases” and have the infrastructure put in to place, then when the switch shows up, he will have it installed, but the “bottom line is the riverboat needs to be at the riverfront.” Continuing Mr. Terry stated that he

needs electricity to be there, citing that there has been a lot of frustration due to lack of communication regarding the required upgrades, however Brown Electric is handling the issue, “because the email we received back from Klinger & Associates stated they believe this will work, but then had a long laundry list behind that.” Mr. Terry advised Brown Electric is “analyzing that list and getting all the parts together to move forward.”

Council Member Phillips inquired as to whether the current system poses any electrical hazard or danger and has it been inspected?” Mr. Terry advised “there has been no hazards, stating “the way we have been running in my opinion is 100% safe”, stating that this system is designed for marinas and gas docks where you have the potential to have swimmers in the water.” Mr. Terry continued they have been wired this way since he’s been involved in 1977, and there has never been an issue, “the chances of having a swimmer in the water next to where the boat is located is very small at best.”

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised the dilemma is the Board of Public Works has advised Council they are unable to hook the boat back up until the connection is in compliance with the NEC section 555. Darrin Gordon, General Manager with the Board of Public Works, advised that the BOPW has a responsibility to ensure compliance and safety. James Lemon, City Attorney advised by extending the Mark Twain Riverboat lease without all the parties present to present all the needed information regarding what the safety issues are, he’s hesitant to advise on the matter. Mr. Lemon advised if they are operating something potentially dangerous to the community at large the City would have the obligation to notify they could not do so, however, without all the pertinent information he cannot advise one way or the other, he urges the Council to gain the information from all parties including Engineer Matt Munzlinger, Klinger & Associates, and Mark Bross regarding the safety concerns they have. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised he could set up a meeting between those parties.

Council Member Phillip questioned Mr. Terry regarding any contingent plan he had regarding electric and safety or any temporary solution he could employ until the matter is resolved. Mr. Terry advised he would continue to go with the status quo, the ideal solution would to be reconnected to the City’s electric and he could do monitoring, “I learned today it can be monitored as to how many milliamps we are putting into the river, at any particular time, it would take some testing equipment and learning but it is a possibility. Mr. Terry advised he could also bring in his own generator and continue with the process he is using now however, “then you have cables running down ramps, and we would have the same thing as we have now and would have cables going across sidewalks.” Mr. Terry explained that his wharf boat is not equipped with a generator at this time. Mr. Terry advised Council that with the river where it is now, he can stay at his current location on Bridge Street, however that cost him 50% of his business. Mayor Pro Tem Dobson inquired about using a small generator until a solution could be implemented. Mr. Terry replied once the river gets below 18 feet, he can still load passengers but at “some point the wharf boat will be bumping ground.” But the ideal solution is to get back to the riverfront on Sunday or Monday night. Mr. Terry explained they can make do; he has a small gas-powered generator. However, it is very loud and noisy, but it will run the lights, phones, and computers that they need to have running onboard the boat until this is resolved.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson advised he would make some phone calls and put together a meeting to get this resolved.

**CHARLES PHILLIPS – 4<sup>TH</sup> WARD COUNCIL MEMBER**  
**STEPHAN FRANKE – 3<sup>RD</sup> WARD COUNCIL MEMBER**

**Re: City Managers Report**  
*(Bill No. 23-011, to follow)*

Council Member Phillips advised that he, and Council Member Franke would like to propose for the 8<sup>th</sup> time an Ordinance instructing the City Manager to prepare and present once-a-month, a report highlighting items the City Manager deemed appropriate during a regularly scheduled Council Meeting, Mr. Phillips, advised that the report would take up less than 10 minutes of time and would possibly inform citizens and Council as to save time in other areas.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson declared Bill No. 23-011 is to follow for first reading.

**BILL NO. 23-011**

**AN ORDINANCE REVISING CHAPTER 2 OF THE REVISED  
ORDINANCES OF  
THE CITY OF HANNIBAL BY REVOKING AND ENACTING IN IT'S  
PLACE A NEW CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III – CITY COUNCIL,  
DIVISION 2, RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS, SECTION 2-172**

***First Reading***

A motion was made by Council member Franke to have the Deputy City Clerk read Bill No. 23-011 as a first reading. The motion was seconded by Council Member Phillips.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Franke and Phillips -2

**No:** Council Member Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson -4

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion failed.



**RESOLUTION NO. 2455-23**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HANNIBAL AUTHORIZING  
THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR  
COMPREHENSIVE RECYCLING SERVICES WITH NORTHEAST  
MISSOURI SHELTERED WORKSHOP, INC., D/B/A 2 RIVERS  
INDUSTRIES, INC TO PROVIDE CITY RECYCLING SERVICES**

A motion was made by Council Member McCoy to have the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2455-23 and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson,  
Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**No:** - 0 –

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson declared Resolution No. 2455-23 duly approved and adopted on this date.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2456-23**

**A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF HANNIBAL  
TO ACCEPT MISSOURI DIVISION OF TOURISM GRANT AWARD**

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to have the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2456-23 as amended and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member McCoy.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson,  
Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**No:** - 0 –

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson declared Resolution No. 2456-23 duly approved and adopted on this date.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2457-23**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A \$2,400 CHANGE ORDER #1 FOR THE ADDITION OF 16 FEET OF REINFORCED CONCRETE PIPE AS PART OF THE AIPORT TERMINAL PROJECT.**

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to have the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2457-23 and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson, Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**No:** - 0 -

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson declared Resolution No. 2457-23 duly approved and adopted on this date.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2458-23**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF HANNIBAL AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL TO SIGN LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE ADAPTIVE REUSE OF 109 VIRGINIA STREET AND TO DONATE THE PROPERTY TO NECAC AND 3 DIAMOND DEVELOPMENT, LLC**

A motion was made by Council Member McCoy to have the City Clerk read Resolution No. 2458-23 and call the roll for adoption. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson,  
Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**No:** - 0 -

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson declared Resolution No. 2458-23 duly approved and adopted on this date.

**CLOSED SESSION**

*In Accordance with RSMo. 610.021 (1), (3), and (13)*

Mayor Pro Tem Dobson then entertained a motion to enter closed session in accordance with RSMo. 610-021, sub-paragraphs (1), (2), and (13) admitting himself, City Council Members, City Attorney James Lemon, City Manager Lisa Peck, Deputy City Clerk Melissa Cogdal and Director Central Services Andy Dorian.

A motion was made by Council Member Veach to enter closed session. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

**ROLL CALL**

**Yes:** Council Members Welch, Veach, McCoy, and Mayor Pro Tem Dobson,  
Council Members Franke, and Phillips -6

**No:** - 0 -

**Absent:** Mayor Hark-1

Motion carried.

## **OPEN SESSION**

A motion was made by Council Member Franke to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Council Member Welch.

Motion carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion carried.

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**James Hark, Mayor**

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**Melissa Cogdal, Deputy City Clerk**