

MINUTES

MID MONTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
Portageville City Hall  
July 15, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Portageville was held on Monday, July 15, 2019, at City Hall, 301 E Main St. Mayor Simmons presided and call the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present

Alderman James  
Alderman Doering  
Alderman Essary  
Alderman Berry

Council Members Absent

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported that a quorum was present.

Also present were:

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| Rachel Wrather, City Clerk | Corey Sisk   |
| Ronnie Adams, Police Chief | Freddie Hill |
| Scott Seal                 | Anson Barney |
| Walley Kellams             | Don Phillips |

APPROVAL OF  
AGENDA

Moved by Alderman Berry seconded by Alderman James and unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as submitted.

ORDINANCES OR  
RESOLUTIONS  
Ordinance # 1288

Mayor Simmons introduced Ordinance No. 1288:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 1227 TO DELETE THE DEFINITION OF DANGEROUS DOG AND INSERT THEREIN A NEW DEFINITION FOR DANGEROUS DOGS IN THE CITY OF PORTAGEVILLE AND TO ESTABLISH NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR THE LICENSING AND RESTRAINT OF DANGEROUS DOGS AND ESTABLISHING VIOLATIONS FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY

Mayor Simmons entertained a motion for the First Reading of Ordinance No. 1288. Motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Doering. All members voted in favor.

Mayor Simmons asked for a motion for the Second Reading of Ordinance No. 1286. Motion was made by Alderman Doering and seconded by Alderman Berry. Roll Call was taken.

Roll Call was as follows:

Alderman James, yea; Alderman Doering, yea; Alderman Essary, yea; Alderman Berry, yea.

Ordinance 1288 was passed and introduced into the Ordinance Book.

## OLD BUSINESS

### ALCOHOL ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE 1266) REVISITED

Mayor Simmons stated that the Board of Alderman had agreed to revisit Ordinance #1266 that allows alcohol on City property for nonprofit organizations that obtain a temporary picnic license from the state and city. Alderman Doering expressed her desire to repeal the Ordinance and not allow alcohol on City property at all. Alderman Berry stated that he would like to see a compromise reached that would allow alcohol under the conditions of the ordinance; however, additional regulations and requirements such as location and time limits could be added. Discussion followed. The issue was tabled until the August 5, 2019 meeting. Members of the Ministerial Alliance, Portageville Chamber of commerce, and Portageville Jaycees will be contacted so their opinions can be expressed.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT ROOF

Mayor Simmons informed the Board of Alderman that City Hall had been contacted by Five Star Roofing about receiving a free estimate for repairs on the Police Department roof. Alderman Essary went and inspected the roof that is approximately 11,250 square feet, and he could see areas that were pulling away from the sides. Discussion followed. The issue was tabled. Alderman Essary will obtain quotes and bids from additional companies and present it to the Board of Aldermen at the August 5, 2019 meeting.

### CAMERA INSTALLATION AT NEW SEWER TREATMENT PLANT

Mayor Simmons presented a quote from Hi-Tech Communications vis Randy Guest for the security camera installation at the New Sewer Treatment Plant. Discussion followed. Alderman Berry asked if this was something that could be added to the Sewer Treatment Plant project cost. Rachel Wrather, City Clerk, will check with Adrienne Eilers, Project Engineer, and see if this is possible in the form of a Change Order. The issue was tabled until additional information is received.

### SRO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Mayor Simmons presented the Memorandum of Understanding between the Portageville School District and the City of Portageville for the School Resource Officer that had previously been discussed. After reviewing the Memorandum of Understanding, Mayor Simmons asked for a motion to

approve it. Motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman James. All members voted in favor.

## NEW BUSINESS

### SHOP WITH A COP PROGRAM

Mayor Simmons stated that Portageville Police Department would like to start up a Shop With A Cop program that would help under privileged children in Portageville during the holiday season by allowing them to shop with a Portageville law enforcement officer. A bank account for donations and fundraising money will need to be opened to house the funds collected. Discussion followed. Mayor Simmons asked for a motion to implement the program and open a bank account for funds collected at First State Bank and Trust. Motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman James. All members voted in favor. Sonic of Portageville will host the first fundraising event for the program on Friday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Twenty percent of the profits collected from 5:00-8:00 p.m. on that night will be donated to the Shop With A Cop program.

### STP CHANGE ORDER REQUEST #9

Mayor Simmons introduced Sewer Treatment Plant Change Order Request #9 which would delete 60 feet of fencing from AST to new gate, delete new 16 feet gate and add a gate operator to the existing entry gate. Total cost of the change order would be \$7,568.00. Discussion followed. Mayor Simmons asked for a motion to approve said Change Order. Motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Doering. Voting was as follows: Alderman James, yea; Alderman Doering, yea; Alderman Essary, nay; Alderman Berry, yea. Motion carried.

### COMPUTER SOFTWARE UPGRADE AT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Mayor Simmons presented a quote from Hi-Tech Communications via Randy Guest in the amount of \$2095.00 for the upgrade of computer software to Windows 10 and antivirus protection for six computers at the Police Department. Discussion followed. Mayor Simmons asked for a motion to accept the proposal. Motion was made by Alderman Berry and seconded by Alderman Essary. All members voted in favor.

## PUBLIC FORUM

Mayor Simmons asked if there were any visitors present who would like to address the Board of Alderman.

Ronnie Adams, Police Chief, stated that there were two officers at the Portageville Police Department who currently did not have bullet proof vests. Officer Anson Barney stated that the City of Marston was willing to sell a new vest that was fitted for him before he left and had a 10-year life span. Discussion followed. Mayor Simmons asked for a motion to purchase the vest for Barney from the City of Marston for \$750.00 and order one for Officer Corey Sisk. Motion was made by Alderman Essary and seconded by Alderman James. All members voted in favor.

Scott Seal with the Missouriian-News stated that he would like to update the Board of Alderman on his current situation. The Missouriian-News has been bought by the Standard Democrat. Currently, the office in Portageville has no air conditioning and they are stating that they are not going to repair the problem. This leads him to speculate that they may close the office in Portageville soon. Seal stated that he is currently working from the office in the morning hours and working from home at other times. If he needs to be reached, he can be contacted by his cell when he is not in the office.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was none.

MAYOR AND ALDERMAN  
COMMENTS

Mayor Simmons asked if there were any comments from the Aldermen that needed to be addressed.

Alderman Doering stated that she had been contacted by Terry Dixon with concerns over his driveway. Discussion followed. Dixon will have to contact the landlord of the property to resolve the issue.

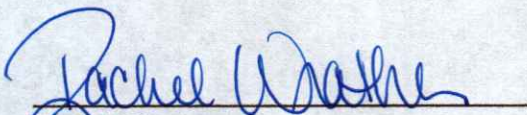
Alderman Doering stated that she had been contacted by Sherrie Laws about an addition to her home. Discussion followed. Laws will be instructed to appear at the Planning and Zoning meeting to address her issue.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

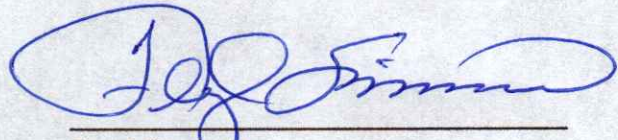
The Board of Alderman will hold a regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, August 5, 2019 at City Hall, 301 E Main, starting at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, moved by Alderman Berry, seconded by Alderman Essary and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.



Rachel Wrather  
City Clerk



Floyd Simmons  
Mayor