

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BLACK JACK
12500 OLD JAMESTOWN ROAD
July 19, 2016
7:00 pm**

ROLL CALL

The City Clerk called the roll and the following members were present:

Councilman Schroeder	Councilman Allen
Councilman Steigerwald	Councilwoman Muller
Councilman White	Councilman Hinkle
Councilman Krank	Councilman Taylor

EXCUSED

The City Clerk attested to the fact that a quorum was present. Mayor McCourt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

PRESENTATION

None

PROCLAMATIONS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor McCourt called for additions, corrections or changes to the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 21, 2016. The minutes were approved as distributed.

COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, PETITIONS, ETC. FROM THE PUBLIC

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Mayor McCourt advised that the metal detector to the entrance of City Hall, will be used going forward for everyone's safety.
2. For the month of June, there were 29 occupancy permits issued; 9 residential and 20 apartment.
3. The 6-month Financial Report will be published in the paper outlining the City's final numbers for the fiscal year end for 2016. The year-end revenue was \$2,963,969.00 and the year-end expenditures was \$2,588,201.00 for a total of \$375,768.00 of revenue over expenses. However, this amount includes \$365,860.00 of Park Grant funds.

OFFICIALS

1. Councilwoman Muller advised that she attended the grand re-opening of Youth on the Rise Center located in Bellefontaine Plaza in Spanish Lake. This is a partnership between St. Louis County, Spanish Lake Improvement Association and Mental Health Association. When the facility was open in 2007-2009, on average there were 30 youths serviced each day. Currently, that number has doubled to about 60 a day. This facility is a great avenue for the youth in the area to receive the necessary assistance in skills and training.
2. Councilman White advised that State Representative Alan Green has inquired about the City of Black Jack annexing Jamestown Mall.

REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS/BOARDS/COMMITTEE

Councilman Krank advised that the Safety and Loss Prevention Committee met and discussed safety when dealing with poisonous plants such as poison ivy, poison oak and poison sumac. The committee also viewed a video on this matter. They also discussed cleanliness of the maintenance shop and an issue with a diesel fuel tank.

SPECIAL COUNSEL

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

PENDING LEGISLATION:

Councilman Allen moved to place Bill #1184 under New Business and assigned Councilman White as the sponsor and Resolution #160701 under Resolution and assigned himself as the sponsor. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Steigerwald	yes	Councilman Allen	yes
Councilman Schroeder	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

NEW BUSINESS:

Bill #1184, entitled, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BLACK JACK, MISSOURI, TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE TO DISCLOSE POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST AND SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS FOR CERTAIN OFFICIALS was read for the first time.

RESOLUTION:

Resolution #160701, entitled, BUDGET ADJUSTMENT END OF YEAR FISCAL 2016 was read in its entirety. Councilman White moved to place Resolution #160701 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Steigerwald	yes	Councilman Allen	yes
Councilman Schroeder	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

Resolution #160701 is attached and made a part hereof

MISCELLANEOUS

1. Councilwoman Muller moved to allow Vijay Bhasin, City Engineer to speak. Motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council

Mr. Bhasin advised that he met with the contractor for the installation of the LED Monument sign. The sign will be moved 15 feet eastward and north of the current sign, which will be out of the St. Louis County right-of-away. The total dimensions of the sign will be 7 feet by 8 feet and 2 feet from the ground.

Councilman Steigerwald moved to approve the contract with Landmark Sign Company for the installation of an LED Monument sign in the amount of \$29,240.00. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Steigerwald	yes	Councilman Allen	yes
Councilman Schroeder	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

2. Councilwoman Muller moved to approve the proposal for fireworks display for the City's annual festival, to be held Saturday, September 17th, from J & M Displays in the amount of \$3,000.00. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Steigerwald	yes	Councilman Allen	yes
Councilman Schroeder	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

3. Councilman Hinkle moved to allow Vijay Bhasin, City Engineer to speak. Motion was seconded and passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Mr. Bhasin advised that the City was awarded a Park Grant in the amount of \$335,860.00. The grant outlined that the City would pave the tennis courts, pave the basketball courts, pave the jogging/walking trail and install new lighting in the park. After discussion of the information provided by Mr. Bhasin.

Councilman Hinkle moved to request that Mr. Bhasin provide costs to the City Council as follows:

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Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

4. Mayor McCourt advised that the Hartford Insurance renewal for full-time employees Life/ADD benefit has been renewed at the same rate through August 1, 2018.

5. Councilman Steigerwald moved to set the Sewer Lateral rate for 2016/2017 to \$0. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Steigerwald	yes	Councilman Allen	yes
Councilman Schroeder	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Muller	yes	Councilman Taylor	yes

6. Mayor McCourt advised that pursuant to the City’s Code of Ordinances, there will not be a City Council meeting the first Tuesday in August.

7. Councilman White advised that residents of the Jamestown subdivision has requested that “no littering” signs be installed in their area. Mayor McCourt suggested that Councilman White provide a formal request to include the location the signs should be installed and the direction of the signs.

FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR

None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

THE July 19, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED DURING
THE August 16, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Norman C. McCourt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Karen E. Robinson, MRCC-S/CMC
City Clerk