

**City of St. John**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**

May 19, 2020

**I. Call to order**

Mayor Bryant called to order the regular meeting of the St. John City Council at 7:00 PM on May 19, 2020 Stafford County Annex. The following persons were present: Mark Bryant, Mayor, Marshal Sanders, President, Ryan Christie, Ross Fisher and Kyle Bunker.

**II. Additions to the Agenda**

- a) 5 minute executive session
- b) 10 minute executive session

*Sanders moves to approve additions to the agenda. Christie seconded. Motion carries 4-0*

**III. Citizen Comments – None**

**IV. Consent Agenda**

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes- May 5, 2020

*Sanders moves to approve the regular council meeting minutes. Christie seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 4-0*

- b) Appropriation Ordinance #05-19-2020 - \$48,194.28

*Sanders moves to approve the appropriation ordinance #05-19-2020 in the amount of \$48,194.28. Fisher seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0*

**V. Discussion with Rec Department – Discussion about water well and meter.**

*Sanders moves to allow the rec to put in a water well at the baseball fields subject to payment of half of the cost of the meter project. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0*

*Swimming Pool Discussion – Discuss opening the pool.*

*Sanders moves for 5 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss potential hire pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception to include Pool Manager, City Council, Mayor, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0. Resume at 7:39pm*

*Sanders moves to hire Stephanie Smith as the manager at \$6,000 for the season. Raise Alyson Smith to \$10.00/hour, Melissa Williamson and Bree Meyer to \$8.50/hour and Tanner Halling, Collin Halling, Hunter Smith, Adrian Adame, Payton Meyer, Darby Smith to \$8.25/hour. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0*

**VI. Committee & Department Head Reports-**

- a) Electric Supervisor – Discussion about fuel price.

*Fisher moves to approve Jeff to purchase a transport load of red number two from Hampel Oil. Sanders seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0.*

- b) Water/Sewer Supervisor – No Report
- c) Street/Park Supervisor – No Report
- d) Grant Administrator- No Report
- e) Police Chief – No Report
- f) Fire Chief- No Report

- g) City Administrator- Discussion about opening office – office will be open but Council would like one in one out, shut off- move forward when we can regarding delinquent accounts and the budget process- will schedule at the next meeting times to meet with each department head over the budget.
- h) City Attorney- No Report

#### **VII. Old Business**

- a) Witt Center Repairs– Complete – can remove.
- b) Strategic plan – No Report
- c) Ordinance #1072-20 Noise – tabled
- d) Ordinance #1071-20 House numbers – tabled
- e) Swimming Pool –
- f) Electric line project for North West street – Jeff plans to start tomorrow.
- g) Inventory – Jason has started on this project

#### ***Add Sewer Report to Old Business***

#### **VIII. New Business**

- a) Property code violations – Discussion on properties to move forward with the abatement process.

#### ***Mayor recesses regular council meeting. Marshal Sanders opens landbank meeting at 8:25pm***

#### **IX. Landbank**

- a) Discussion on AG opinion – Consensus for Mary Jo Taylor request the AG opinion regarding the property taxes with the County.
- b) Discussion on the setup of the landbank. John will have ordinance ready for the next Council meeting.

#### ***Bryant moves to sell 206 S. Pearl in the amount of \$300 to Esai Macias. Christie seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-1 Macias abstains.***

- c) Executive session – moves for minutes for the landbank to recess into executive session to discuss property acquisition. Resume at 8:44pm. Bunker seconded. No discussion. Motion carries 4-0.

#### ***Marshal Sanders adjourns landbank and Mayor opens regular council meeting back up at 8:44pm***

#### **X. Executive session**

- a) Sanders moves for 10 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception to include City Council, Mayor, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Fisher seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0. Meeting will reconvene at 8:56 PM.

#### ***Mayor reconvened meeting at 8:56pm.***

- b) Sanders moves for an additional 10 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss employee performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception to include City Council, Mayor, City Administrator, and City Attorney. Fisher seconded. No discussion. Motion carries. 4-0. Meeting will reconvene at 9:06 PM.

#### ***Mayor reconvened meeting at 9:06pm.***

- c) Sanders moves for 10 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss employee performance pursuant to the attorney/client exception to include City Council, Mayor and City Attorney. Macias seconded. No Discussion. Motion carries 4-0. Meeting will reconvene at 9:17 PM.

#### ***Mayor reconvened meeting at 9:17pm.***

**XI. Adjournment**

- a) Next Regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, June 2, 2020 at 7:00pm.

  
CITY ADMINISTRATOR

  
MAYOR