

**The Minutes of the Macon City Council Meeting
July 12, 2022 – 6:30 P.M.
106 West Bourke Street
Macon, Missouri 63552**

Mayor Pro-Tem Tony Petre called the meeting to order with the following members in attendance: Tony Petre, Dick Schlanker, Ernie Lea, Caleb Dwiggins, Cheryl Blaise, Greg Wiggans, Chris Walk, and Jerold Carr.

Absent: None.

Approval of the Agenda:

Councilman Lea moved to approve the amended agenda moving item G: Appointment of a new Mayor and H: Swear in of new Mayor down to become the first items under New Business. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schlanker and approved by all voting in favor.

Proclamation – Day of Tribute:

Our region suffered a tragic incident on June 27th when an Amtrak passenger train derailed in Mendon Missouri resulting in loss of life. In gratitude to those who provided equipment and personal aid at the scene, Mayor Pro-Tem issued a proclamation declaring July 12, 2022 a Day of Tribute to honor the law enforcement officers, firefighters, first responders, and public servants that assisted in response to this tragedy.

Police Chief Adam Dawdy and Sergeant Andre Williams, two of the City of Macon employees that assisted in the rescue and recovery, were in attendance and received a Certificate of Appreciation.

Approval of minutes from previous meeting:

Councilman Wiggans moved to approve the Minutes of the May 10, 2022 regular meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise and approved by all present voting in favor.

Accounts Payable:

Councilman Carr moved to approve accounts payable as presented. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Schlanker and approved by all present voting in favor.

Financial Report:

Councilman Lea moved to approve the Financial Report as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise and approved by all present voting in favor.

Old Business:

Ordinance – AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MACON AND HOWE COMPANY LLC RELATED TO THE MACON MUNICIPAL POOL PROJECT:

(professional services agreement for oversight engineering of the specifications/bid/construction of a new municipal pool)

Councilman Lea moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Macon and Howe Company LLC related to the Macon Municipal Pool project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea:	Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Petre, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay:	None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

Councilman Dwiggins moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Macon and Howe Company LLC related to the Macon Municipal Pool project. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Petre, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI ESTABLISHING TRUCK ROUTES IN CHAPTER 27, ARTICLE XXI, NEW SECTION 27-977 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI:

Councilman Carr moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance establishing truck routes in Chapter 27, Article XXI, new section 27-977 of the code of the City of Macon, Missouri. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wiggins and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Petre, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

Councilman Wiggins moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance *establishing truck routes in Chapter 27, Article XXI, new section 27-977 of the code of the City of Macon, Missouri*. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Petre, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

New Business:

Appointment of Mayor:

City Attorney, Tim Bickhaus, advised the Council regarding the procedure to fill a vacancy of the Office of Mayor. Due to the resignation of Mayor Scott Bigham and pursuant to RSMo. §77.240, Council must nominate and approve, by majority of the eight members of council, a new mayor to serve the remainder of the vacated term of office.

Councilman Schlanker moved to nominate Councilman Anthony (Tony) E. Petre for Mayor. Councilman Dwiggins seconded the motion and Council unanimously approved Petre as Mayor by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Petre, Wiggins, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

Newly elected Mayor Petre thanked the Council for their confidence in him, further stating that the situation that the Council had been put in (by Mayor Bigham's

resignation) had not been easy. There was another person that was proposed for nomination that deserved mentioning because of his tremendous amount of past service to our community and that person is the former Mayor Talt Holman. Holman had indicated that if nominated, he would accept the nomination. Petre thanked Holman for his willingness to serve again and for his past service to the community. Petre looks forward to working with the city departments to continue progress in a positive direction.

Swear in newly elected Mayor:

City Clerk Craigg administered the Oath of Office to the newly elected Mayor, Anthony (Tony) E. Petre.

Ordinance – OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MACON, MISSOURI AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE NATURAL GAS COMMODITY PURCHASE CONTRACTS BETWEEN KINECT ENERGY AND MACON MUNICIPAL UTILITIES:

Considering the volatility in the natural gas market, the Board of Public Works believed it would be good to have pre-approved options available to take timely advantage of any price drop. At the June 20, 2022 Board of Public Works meeting the Board recommended that City Council authorize the Board of Public Works to execute two natural gas futures contracts with Kinect Energy for the November 2023-March 2024 winter season to procure a maximum of two 25% layers based on historical usage data at a cost not to exceed \$5 per dekatherm.

Councilman Dwiggins moved to place on the first reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the natural gas commodity purchase contracts between Kinect Energy and Macon Municipal Utilities. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schlanker and approved by roll call as follows:

Yea:	Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay:	None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

Councilman Carr moved to place on the second and final reading, the ordinance authorizing execution of the natural gas commodity purchase contracts between Kinect Energy and Macon Municipal Utilities. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wiggans and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea:	Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay:	None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

Resolution – authorizing a change of the designated official authorized to act on behalf of the City of Macon, Missouri with regards to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Revolving Fund Program for loans under the Missouri Clean Water Law (Chapter 644, RSMo):

Due to the change in Mayor, it is necessary to update the name of the designated official authorized to execute documents related to the loan and/or grant aid related to Project Number S-524-20.

Councilman Lea moved to approve the resolution authorizing a change of designated official authorized to act on behalf of the City of Macon, Missouri with regards to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, State Revolving Fund Program for loans under the Missouri Clean Water Law (Chapter 644, RSMo). The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise and approved by all present voting in favor.

Resolution – authorizing the filing of an application with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Financial Assistance Center’s State ARPA Grant Programs for subaward of Federal Financial Assistance provided to the State of Missouri by the U.S. Department of the Treasury pursuant to Section 602(B) of the Social Security Act, as added by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act, (Pub.L. No.117-2 [March 11, 2021] 135 STAT. 4, 223-26):

Board of Public Works requested approval to apply for ARPA grant funding for Drinking Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater infrastructure projects with MMU matching 10%, 10%, and 20% respectively as follows:

	ARPA Grant request	Local Match	Total Project Cost
Drinking Water	\$ 3,405,371	10% - \$378,375	\$ 3,783,746
Wastewater	\$ 4,529,092	10% - \$503,233	\$ 5,032,325
Stormwater	\$ 3,457,260	20% - \$864,315	\$ 4,321,575
Total	\$11,391,723	\$1,745,923	\$13,137,646

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Power in Me Conference concert event request – Melanie Thrunau

Power in Me Conference requested approval to hold a concert, Nashville recording artist Leanna Crawford, in the Oak Street parking lot on September 10, 2022 from 3:30 PM to 10:00 PM. The first part of the event will be an obstacle course competition in Bevier followed by an evening music concert in Macon. The request includes closure of a portion of Vine Street between Oak and Rollins, closure of Oak Street parking lot and the connecting alley, and waiver of the noise ordinance for the duration of the event.

Councilman Dwiggins moved to approve the event request. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Blaise and approved by all present voting in favor.

“Dash for Desto” event request – Destiny StrongER Foundation

The Destiny StrongER Foundation requested street closures for a 5K walk/run fundraiser event to drive awareness of the childhood cancer. The request includes closure of the event route from Rubey Park to the walking trail around Blee Lake and the event would be from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM August 6, 2022. Volunteers would be available with signs and cones to close the intersections.

Councilman Lea moved to approve the event request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by all present voting in favor.

Mayor's report:

Mayor Petre extended condolences to Stephanie Wilson over the loss of her brother Larry to cancer.

Petre sent well wishes for speedy recoveries for Councilman Wiggans' wife's' injury and Councilman Schlankers' wife's' illness.

Petre announced he had approved a waiver of the fireworks discharge ordinance by approving displays to be discharged on July 14 and July 23 by Lolli Bros Livestock Market Inc. who are celebrating 75-years in business this year.

Council reports:

Councilman Dwiggins appreciated that the Street Department crews were beginning work on the Benton/Hawthorne repair project.

Councilwoman Blaise expressed the same as Benton/Hawthorne are major collector streets.

Councilman Wiggans reminded everyone that the Lolli Bros Livestock Market Exotic Animal Sale is this week (July 13th-15th) and is expected to be the biggest one ever.

City Administrator's report:

The following was reported:

- Installation of all eighteen T-pads for the Disc Golf Course in the Bourke Street park is complete.
- Street and parking lot markings were re-painted.
- Police Department participated in the little tyke's safety town event.
- Derelict vehicle removal has begun.
- Fire hydrant maintenance is underway, no fires or heat related illness call were received over the Independence Day weekend, and the Dodge Dakota is back from the repair shop.

City Clerk's report:

City Clerk, Mary Lou Craigg, advised that the 2022 MML Annual Conference coincides with the regular schedule of the September City Council Meeting necessitating a change of date for the September meeting.

Councilman Schlanker moved to reschedule the September Council Meeting to September 20, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by all present voting in favor.

Closed Session:

At 7:06 P.M. Councilman Dwiggins moved to go into closed session pursuant to §610.021(2) Leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate, §610.021(3) Personnel, and §610.021(12) Sealed Bids & Contract Negotiations. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea:	Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay:	None.
Absent:	None.
Abstain:	None.

Closed session attendance: Petre, Schlanker, Lea, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr, Marshall, Craig, Fire Chief James Herrmann, and Shannon Howe of HoweCo.

Councilman Wiggans moved to approve the resignation of Fire Chief James Herrmann. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

Councilman Lea moved to approve the renewal of the City Administrators employment contract as amended. The motion was seconded by Councilman Carr and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

At 10:16 P.M. Councilman Dwiggins moved to come out of closed session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wiggans and approved by roll call vote as follows:

Yea: Lea, Schlanker, Dwiggins, Blaise, Wiggans, Walk, Carr.
Nay: None.
Absent: None.
Abstain: None.

Adjournment:

Councilman Lea moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dwiggins.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 P.M.

Mary Lou Craig, City Clerk

Anthony E. Petre, Mayor