



# Public Works & Utilities Committee Meeting

## Minutes

Monday, March 11, 2024 at 6:30 pm

### CENTRALIA CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

114 S. Rollins Street, Centralia, MO 65240

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

**Minutes:**

Alderman Robert Hudson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### 2. ATTENDANCE

**Minutes:**

Aldermen Lonnie Cox, Robert Hudson, David Wilkins, Harold Deckerd, Donnie Rodgers and Landon Magley answered roll call. Others present: City Administrator Tara Strain, Public Works & Utilities Director Matt Rusch, Mayor Chris Cox, Water & Sewer Dept. Foreman Aaron Kroeger, Electric Dept. Interim Foreman Osson Cox, Street & Sanitation Dept. Foreman Phil Hoffman, Fire Chief Denny Rusch, Police Chief Harlan Hatton & Deputy City Clerk Beth Kable. Citizens present: Linda Bormann.

#### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**Minutes:**

Alderman Robert Hudson led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 4. COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**Minutes:**

Alderman Robert Hudson opened the floor for Comments from Citizens at 6:30 p.m. Hearing no comments, comments from citizens was closed at 6:30 p.m.

#### 5. WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

##### a. Activity Report

**Minutes:**

Water Foreman Aaron Kroeger said that they finished work at Maple & Early Streets and they are waiting for parts for a fire hydrant. They have been putting in new meters and have started pumping water to the farmers. Following the DNR inspection, which required us to put in 11 testing stations and the water department has installed 5 new ones to be compliant.

##### b. Water

c. Sewer

d. Other

## 6. ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

### a. Activity Report

**Minutes:**

Interim Electric Foreman Osson Cox reported that they have been replacing broken poles and they have finished installing the underground service at Denton & Sunset. They are going to start replacing the boxes around the City square.

### b. Generation/Purchase

c. Distribution

d. Other

## 7. PUBLIC WORKS

### a. Activity Report

**Minutes:**

Street Foreman Phil Hoffman said they have cleaned up the old landfill and have fixed the hydraulic cylinders on the dozer. They have been replacing some alley culverts and are going to work on the Booth Street sidewalk project.

### b. Streets

c. Sanitation

d. Storm Water

e. Other

## 8. PUBLIC WORKS & UTILITIES DIRECTOR

### a. Monthly Report

**Minutes:**

Public Works Director Matthew Rusch said that building permits have increased due to the nice weather. He also said that there are some engineers in town looking at some potential new projects. They have been working on the pumps at the lagoons and had a couple leaks repaired, but they were still under warranty, so it was at no cost to the city. He also reported that everything is still on track to have the new Slakker arrive in June.

### b. Other

## 9. AS MAY ARISE

## 10. ADJOURN

**Minutes:**

There being no further business to discuss, Alderman Wilkins made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Rodgers seconded the motion. On a call by the Alderman Hudson for ayes and nays the motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m.