REGULAR MEETING of the City Council of the City of Chillicothe, Missouri was held on **Thursday September 25, 2023,** at 5:30 pm p.m.in the Council Chambers located in City Hall at 715 Washington Street, Chillicothe, Missouri. Prayer was led by Rev. Ken Jameson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Kelly. Roll call being answered as follows:

Mayor Theresa Kelly
Councilman-At-Large Tom Ashbrook
Councilman 1st Ward Reed Dupy
Councilman 2nd Ward Weston Baker
Councilwoman 3rd Ward Stacey Soper
Councilwoman 4th Ward Pam Jarding

AMONG THOSE PRESENT included, Trent Miller, Amy Hess, Allison Jeffries, Tom Tingerthal, Toby Calivere, Gil Gates, Matt Hopper, Bob Conrad, Amy Supple, Students of Dr. Pence's NCMC class, and other concerned citizens.

MOTION BY COUNCILWOMAN SOPER, second by Councilman Baker to approve the previous minutes from September 14, 2023. Motion passed with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN ASHBROOK, second by Councilman Dupy to approve the invoices for September 25, 2023, in the amount of \$169,705.33. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN ASHBROOK, second by Councilman Dupy to approve the payroll for September 15, 2023, in the amount of \$178,609.04. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN ASHBROOK, second by Councilwoman Soper to approve the CMU Invoices and salaries in the amount of \$875,410.83 (includes \$107,669.26 in salaries) from the September 19, 2023, Board Meeting. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN DUPY, second by Councilman Baker to approve **Ordinance # 2023-81** an ordinance adopting the 2015 Edition of the International Mechanical Code; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

The City Administrator then led a discussion on the naming of the New Industrial Park and its streets. This needs to be done before the new plat can be approved in November. The council was instructed to e-mail their suggestions to the city clerk so it can be discussed at the next City Council meeting.

MOTION BY COUNCILWOMAN SOPER, second by Councilman Baker to approve

Ordinance # 2023-82 an ordinance of the city of Chillicothe, Missouri accepting the Lowest Responsible bid for the Tree Trimming and Removal for Chillicothe Municipal Utilities with Aerodynamic for \$118,500.00. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- 1. 2 students from Dr. Pence's class at NCMC were in attendance to observe our meeting. They both explained what they observed.
- 2. Terry Rumery spoke about the naming of the Industrial Park and its streets.

COMMENTS FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR:

- 1. 2nd Street is now open, and they have moved to Maple Street (between Central and 11th)
- 2. Due to the traffic created on Villa Street from Maple being closed the street department has put up some temporary signs reminding drivers to "slow down, children at play".
- 3. The "Children at Play" signs have been in the Hutchinson addition have been moved and installed on existing street signage. The street department also went back and painted the "SLOW" on the roadway in yellow to make it stand out better.
- 4. We have received 5 RFQ's for the Police Department needs assessment. Those will be reviewed, and we will try to narrow it down to 3 and ask them to make presentations to the council.
- 5. Getting ready to set up department tours with the council. We will start with the Airport.
- 6. The Fly-In is scheduled for Oct 7th at 7 am.
- 7. Amy Supple with the Tourism department then spoke about the MO Highway 36 meeting that is Thursday here in Chillicothe. This is an important program for Chillicothe since we are between St Joe and Hannibal on Highway 36. Mini grant applications have been received. There is a total of \$20,000 a year for this program to be given to local events that draw people into our community.

COMMENTS FROM THE MAYOR: Just returned from vacation with her 5 siblings and cousins. She had a great time.

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:

- 1. Councilman Tom Ashbrook –No Comment
- 2. Councilman Reed Dupy No Comment
- 3. Councilman Weston Baker No Comment
- 4. Councilman Stacey Soper No Comment
- 5. Councilwoman Pam Jarding- Friday September she is retiring from Main Street. And just a reminder that the Main Street Wine and Beer Walk it Friday Oct 6th.

COMMMENTS FROM CITY AUDITOR:

- 1. She worked closely with Bob to get this audit completed. She will work with Bob to get next year's audit completed earlier.
- 2. She is working on setting up a 6-month review Budget workshop. Looking at scheduling it before the meeting on Monday October 30th. Would like to start at 4:30.
- 3. Worked with Casell to get Excel to work with that program to make the budget books match the excel worksheets. It automatically pulls the information in so there is a

- small chance of errors.
- 4. We just had a CD mature and we just reinvested those general funds with Stifel for 5.5% & 5.6%.

COMMENTS FROM CITY CLERK:

- 1. Road Closing this Friday Sept 29th for the Homecoming Parade. It is scheduled to start at 2 pm.
- 2. Road Closing on Friday October 6th for the Wine and Beer Walk. It starts at 4 pm.
- 3. We did not receive any bids on the newest empty lot at 423 Second Street. The minimum was \$5,000. There was no water or electricity in this lot. I feel we need to get some signs up on this lot as well as 615 Vine and 350 Jackson, so people know they are for sale. The council agreed.

MOTION BY COUNCILMAN ASHBROOK second by Councilman Dupy to adjourn the City Council meeting at 7:07 pm. Motion passes with a vote of 5-0: Councilman Ashbrook voted yea; Councilman Dupy voted yea; Councilman Baker voted yea; Councilwoman Soper voted yea, and Councilwoman Jarding voted yea.

Amy Hess, City Clerk		
Approved this 9th day of October 202	23.	
	By:	
		Theresa Kelly, Mayor
ATTEST:		
Amy Hess. City Clerk	_	