



CITY OF CHARLESTON
204 N Main St
Charleston, MO 63834

Special City Council Meeting
October 17, 2025, at 4:00PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:00PM by Mayor Monica Goodin. Councilman Rick Toon, Councilman Jackie Whiteside, Councilman Jason Oliver, City Manager Greg Luehmann, City Clerk Ali Morris, and Director of Public Works, David Harris were present. Councilman Trent Lane was absent. City Attorney, Tabatha Graham was available by phone if needed.

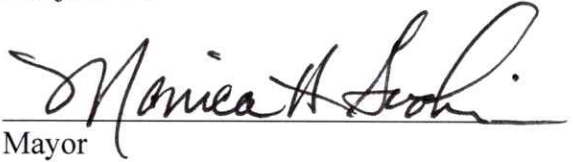
Old Business: Discuss the change order to the 2025 Asphalt Overlay Project to include Ella Drive was on the agenda. This topic was tabled at the last meeting so that the city attorney could be sure they would not be going against any existing ordinance if the council chose to approve of this. There were no existing policies or ordinances found. Mayor Goodin expressed the need to better the city and make it look nice. The city manager explained that Small Lumber brings in a lot of revenue in tax dollars to the city, as well as Hall Trucking in diesel fuel tax. The two businesses have been established for many years. After much discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Toon to approve the change order to the 2025 Asphalt Overlay Project to include Ella Drive. Councilman Oliver seconded the motion. Councilman Whiteside abstained from voting. By majority vote, the change order to include Ella Drive was approved.

New Business: Bill NO. 3982 / Ordinance NO. 3123- An Ordinance Authorizing the Lease/Purchase of a John Deere Backhoe Loader through Citizens Bank of Charleston was the first item of new business. There was no discussion. After being read two times by title, a motion was made by Councilman Whiteside to approve Bill NO. 3982 / Ordinance NO. 3123. Councilman Toon seconded the motion. All were in favor. None were opposed. The ordinance was approved.

Discuss the potential Monarch Butterfly Sanctuary was next on the agenda. The city manager passed out a drawing of phase one of the proposed project and explained that water lines were recently installed. Mr. Luehmann explained that he sent this proposal to the Department of Conservation for approval and will ask them to help with funding/reimbursing the cost for the water lines. He also mentioned that he spoke with the school Superintendent, Jamarcus Williams, about students receiving special credits for volunteering to plant trees. Mr. Luehmann also explained that he spoke with the Junior Study Club about turning the Scout Cabin into the headquarters for the Butterfly Sanctuary. He said they would re-do the kitchen and look into

getting grants to make updates. This could also serve as a meeting place for other groups and clubs to meet. Councilman Toon asked how the sanctuary would affect the Dogwood Azalea Festival, and the city manager assured them that it would not take up the entire lot, and there would still be room for the pig races.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the City Council, a motion was made by Councilman Whiteside to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Oliver seconded the motion. All were in favor. None were opposed. The meeting was adjourned.


Mayor

ATTEST:


City Clerk