City of Battlefield
Board of Aldermen
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
July 18, 2023

Item 1 Roll Call

Aldermen present were as follows: Rocky Compton, Samantha Deaton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert were present at City Hall in Battlefield, MO. Aldermen Mark Crabtree, Zac Woods was absent for the meeting. City Clerk Beth Anne West read the roll call and determined a quorum was present, so the meeting could proceed. ***Mayor Debra Hickey was present for the meeting***. Staff present were City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn, City Attorney Paul Link, Police Chief Chris McPhail, and City Clerk Beth Anne West.

Item 2 Call to order

Mayor Debra Hickey called the meeting to order at Battlefield City Hall located at 5434 S. Tower Drive, Battlefield, MO 65619 on July 18, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Item 3 Ceremonial Matters

Opening prayer led by Alderman Jim Clemmons. Pledge of Allegiance led by Samantha Deaton.

Presentation of Plaque for Donna Rouse-former Advisory Park Board member.

Item 4 Approve Agenda

Motion was made by Alderman Samanta Deaton to amend the agenda to add executive session specifically RSMO.620.021. 3 after item 10 and make adjournment numbered #11. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried. Motion was made by Alderman Rocky Compton to approve the agenda as amended. Motion was seconded by Alderman Jim Clemmons. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 5 City Administrator Report

City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn gave a verbal and written report including the following items: Opened the Account for the Reserve Funds and a percentage of each fund will go back to each fund in the same amount invested. The CDs are at 5.5% and the remaining funds will be at 4.5% so it will make more money for the City.

Item 6 Adoption and Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to approve and adopt consent agenda including items a-i: June 20, 2023, Board of Aldermen regular session meeting minutes; **Bills paid in the amount of $83,759.78; Bills to approve in the amount of $26,521.77; Sewer/Parks-Refunds paid in the amount of $176.66 ;Sewer Adjustments for the month of June in the amount of $570.98;** Payroll reports ; June 2023 Financial Statements ;June 2023 Bank Reconciliations; Summary of Revenues In and Expenditures Out for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2023. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 7 Public Input

Charles Mallory-5106 S. Ashwood Ave. Battlefield, MO 65619 34-year veteran stated the fireworks were beyond tolerable in his neighborhood. He had to pick up son and it was so loud his ears were still ringing. Mr. Mallory would like to ask the Board to consider an amendment to the fireworks ordinance. Mr. Mallory felt the ones in his neighborhood were well beyond professional grade fireworks. Mr. Mallory stated that lots of the fireworks were coming down on his home. Discussion followed on this topic.

Item 8 Unfinished Business

None.

Item 9a Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Authorization for RFQ for a 604 B Grant.

City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn explained this 604B Grant would update the MS$ programs for the storm water plan with the proposed budget at $55,055.00, and the City would have a Match of $5050.00. Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to approve Authorization for RFQ for a 604 B Grant. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Alderman Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9b Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve the Final Sewer Facility Plan.

Planning and Zoning Chairman Danny Klopfer explained the need to approve the Plan and the Planning and Zoning Commission had voted to recommend the approval of the

presented plan. Mayor Hickey stated a motion was not needed since it was the recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to approve the plan. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Aldermen Mark Crabtree and Zac Woods were absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9c Presentation on Complete Streets.

City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn gave a presentation on Complete Streets that will give citizens accessibility for all including pedestrians, walkers, riders, and drivers. Mr. Vanhorn stated a recommendation would be coming from the Planning and Zoning Commission soon. Mr. Vanhorn noted everyone could either send feedback to Danny Klopfer or Mr. VanHorn on the item. No vote was taken.

Item 9d Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Road Improvement for Lewis and Old Wire Road

City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn mentioned the Old Wire Road Crossing Development and stated that the amount to invest in the improvement would be $40,000.00 which was budgeted for with funds from the Road and Bridge Fund money. Mr. Vanhorn noted the City would be putting in funds as well as the developer. Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to approve Road Improvement for Lewis and Old Wire Road in the amount of $40,000.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Jim Clemmons. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9e Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Recommendation by Advisory Park Board for Outdoor Fitness Court Project.

Advisory Parks Board Chair Deziree Marsh gave a report on the project that Marcy Dollens had written a $30,000.00 grant for that the City was awarded and the total project cost was $330,000.00 for the National Fitness Campaign for 2023. Mrs. Marsh stated the City would have to move quickly to finish the project before the end of the year. Mrs. Marsh stated the equipment to be put in place had a 30-year warranty for the outdoor equipment and the cost the City would need to incur was for the concrete pad that was 38 x70 in sized and there would be a studio mat for yoga and equipment for people to use outside. Mrs.

Marsh stated that Battlefield is health minded and this would only enhance the City's quest to be healthy. Mrs. Marsh stated the maintenance is minimal. Mrs. Marsh is hoping to add a trail head to the area and the City has the funds for the project. Mr. Vanhorn stated the City hoped to add a shade structure near this area as well. Mr. Vanhorn noted the sitework, and the slab would need to be poured before the equipment could be installed. Motion was made by Alderman Rocky Compton to approve Recommendation by Advisory Park Board for Outdoor Fitness Court Project not to exceed $300,000.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Deaton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Alderman Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9f **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Resolution #23-R-02, To Adopt And Allocate Funds For An Outdoor Fitness Court® As Part Of The 2023 National Fitness Campaign.**

Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to approve Resolution #23-R-02, To Adopt And Allocate Funds For An Outdoor Fitness Court® As Part Of The 2023 National Fitness Campaign. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9g **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve repairs and improvements to Basketball Court per recommendation from Advisory Park Board.**

Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to Approve repairs and improvements to Basketball Court per recommendation from Advisory Park Board to spend $10,000.00. Motion was seconded by Alderman Jim Clemmons. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Alderman Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9h **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Purchase of E-Ticketing System for Police Department.**

Police Chief stated that the City looked at several systems to implement E-ticketing to make the processing of tickets more efficient with the new Sho-Me Courts system currently in place the City issues manual three part tickets to

those that are issued tickets then a copy has to go to the prosecutor's office to be input into the court software before it can be processed by the court clerk. Mr. Vanhorn stated that he must physically take the tickets to the prosecutor's office on a weekly basis. Chief McPhail stated that with the e-ticket the officer would just need to enter it onto a tablet, and it would upload into the court software automatically and make it more efficient. Chief McPhail stated it would also do racial profiling that they must report by hand at the point of contact. Chief McPhail stated four licenses would be purchased with the funds from the Municipal Share funds for $14,000.00 and that $25,000.00 was budgeted. Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to Approve Purchase of E-Ticketing System for Police Department from Digi ticket in the amount of $33,826.00 plus $3056.00 for this year's subscription fee. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes-Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9i **Discussion and Possible Vote to Affirm Mayor's Appointment of Michael Lamphere to Advisory Park Board.** Mayor Debra Hickey noted that she had a good conversation with Mr. Lamphere and wanted to affirm the appointment. Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to Affirm Mayor's Appointment of Michael Lamphere to Advisory Park Board. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Alderman Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9k **Discussion and Possible Vote to adjust Board meetings in August for National Night Out event on August 1st move meeting to August 8 and August 22nd instead of August 1 and August 15th.** Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to adjust Board meetings in August for National Night Out event on August 1st move meeting to August 8 and August 22nd instead of August 1 and August 15th. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Deaton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes- Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 9l **Discussion of 4th of July Event.**
Alderman Rocky Compton noted how the Fireworks event had been cancelled due to safety concerns and that he felt there must be some way citizens could celebrate this holiday in another fashion maybe have food trucks, face painting a band, etc. Mr. Compton does not feel we are doing the citizens justice for the lack of the event. Discussion followed. Advisory Park Board Deziree Marsh stated she would like input from the Board to determine the right type of event and make a plan for the future. Discussion followed.

Item 9m **Discussion of Slot Machines in the City based on research by City Attorney.**
City Attorney Paul Link reported to the Board about his research and gave them options on the issue. Mr. Link stated it was illegal per state statutes. Alderman Jim Clemmons left the meeting at 8:36 p.m. and returned at 8:37 p.m. Mr. Link stated it could be reported to the State Highway Patrol but at present they could not pursue a lawsuit unless the City wanted to pay a lot in legal fees.

Item 10 **Executive Session**
Motion was made by Alderman Samantha Deaton to go into executive session at 8:46 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Rocky Compton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes Jerry Shupert, Jim Clemmons, Rocky Compton, and Samantha Deaton. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods, and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried. Mayor Debra Hickey noted no vote was taken during the executive session. Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to go into open session and adjourn at 9:06 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Deaton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Item 11 **Adjournment**.
Motion was made by Alderman Jerry Shupert to adjourn at 9:06 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Deaton. A roll call vote was made, and the vote was 4 Ayes Samantha Deaton, Rocky Compton, Jim Clemmons, and Jerry Shupert. 0 Nays. Aldermen Zac Woods and Mark Crabtree was absent for the vote. Motion carried.

Debra Hickey
Mayor Debra Hickey and/or 8-8-2023 Date
President of the Board Mark Crabtree

ATTEST:
Beth Anne West
City Clerk Beth Anne West 8-8-2023 Date

Reading and Vote to Approve Minutes: 4 Ayes – Samantha Deaton, Mark Crabtree, Jim Clemmons, and Terry Shupert. 0 Nays. Aldermen Rocky Compton and Zac Woods were Absent for the vote.
Minutes Approved: August 8, 2023.