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NEWS RELEASE

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Action taken by Branson Board of Aldermen at December 10th, 2013 meeting

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

The Board recognized Sergeant Stan Kauffman of the Branson Police Department. He was commended for his work in calming an individual who was threatening to end their own life by jumping from the watch tower at the Henning Wilderness Area. He was thanked for being an excellent example of the City of Branson employee values of excellence, service and courtesy.



CONSENT AGENDA - SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE BILLS

Minutes

The Board approved the minutes from various recent meetings.

2013 Budget Amendment

The Board approved the final reading of several bills approving amendments to the current 2013 budget in the following locations:

- Tourism Fund to allow for the payment to the Branson Airport
- Various Funds
- Tourism Fund – Prior Payments
- Debt Service Fund
- Debt Service Fund

Health Department

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving the renewal of the contract with the Taney County Health Department. The City contracts with the Health Department to conduct various inspections within the city limits, such as restaurants, hotels and pools.

Tank Removal

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving a change order with Broyles, Inc. The contract is for fuel tank removal and replacement at the two City gas stations.

Planned Development

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving a planned development amendment to The Preserve. This amendment will allow for additional multi-family structures to be built at The Preserve, which is located 164 Preserve Dr. just off Green Mountain Drive.

Zoning

The Board approved the final reading for a series of bills assigning a zoning designation for various properties within the City of Branson:

- R3 Multiple Family Dwelling District Zoning for properties in the Pointe Royale area located at:
 - o 260 Meadow Brook, Unit 4
 - o 1955 State Highway 165

Human Resources Manual

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving a amendments to the City of Branson Human Resources Manual.

Water Tower Maintenance

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving the renewal of an agreement with Utility Service Company, Inc., for the renovation and maintenance of the City of Branson water towers. This is part of the cleaning and maintenance schedule for each tower, including an extensive renovation every 10 years.

Pre-Annexation Agreement

The Board approved the final reading of a bill approving a pre-annexation agreement with Gary L. Merrill and Diane L. Merrill for property located at Table Rock Acres. This property is not currently adjacent to the city limits, but this agreement will allow them to receive City of Branson sewer services.

Annual Contract Renewals

The Board approved the final reading of several bills, accepting proposals for operational chemicals and equipment for use by the City of Branson Utilities Department in the water and wastewater treatment and distribution process:

- General Chemical Performance Products, LLC
- Chemrite, Inc.
- Brenntag Mid-South, Inc.
- Prominent Systems, Inc. for activated carbon.
- PDC Laboratories, Inc. for laboratory analysis.
- Springfield Winwater for replacement of water meters.
- Midwest Meter, Inc. for replacement water meters.
 - o These meters are part of Phase 4 of the water meter replacement program, which will replace all existing meters within 10 years. When this phase is complete, 57% of the meters currently used within the City will have been replaced. The new meters are capable of being read remotely, which significantly reduces the read time, and frees our Utilities staff for other important tasks.

Annual Contract Renewals

The Board approved the final reading of several bills, accepting proposals for services for various departments:

- HTE/Sungard Application Service for computer hardware and software to assist the administration and enforcement of ordinances for the City of Branson (Finance Department).
- Radiophone Engineering for communications equipment and maintenance (Police Department).
- Johnson Controls for HVAC maintenance services (Public Works).
- Custom Products Corporation pertaining to signage materials (Public Works).

Wastewater Collection System

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Insituform Technologies, USA, LLC, pertaining to the Wastewater Collection System Rehabilitation. This technology will allow for a durable lining to be installed within existing lines which will extend the life of the line and prevent the costly full replacement of wastewater lines.

Lift Station Replacement

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of McClanahan Construction Company, Inc. pertaining to the Lift Station No. 25 Replacement Project. This lift station is located near the Welk Resort in the south part of town.

Sprinkler Winterization

The Board approved the final reading of a bill accepting the proposal of Simplex Grinnel LP, pertaining to fire sprinkler winterization services for the City of Branson. This project will winterize the inactive buildings at the Factory Merchants Mall, which is owned by the City, to save utility costs during the winter.

Annual Contract Renewals

The Board approved the final reading of several bills, accepting proposals for services for the City of Branson Parks Department:

- Reinhardt Food Service for concessions supplies used in parks facilities.
- Hansen's Tree Service for tree trimming services.
- Ozark Valley Lawn Care for mowing and weed eating.
- BWI Companies, Inc. of Springfield for agricultural supplies used for parks facilities.

REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS (1st Readings and public hearings)

Downtown CID

The Board held a public hearing and approved the first reading of a bill approving a petition to add certain real estate to Historic Downtown Branson Community Improvement District (CID). The district collects a 1% sales tax on properties within the CID, which is used for district improvements, marketing the district and the operation of the free trolley service. This expansion will allow for an expansion of the trolley service within Downtown Branson.

Health Department

The Board approved the first reading of a bill amending Chapter 46 of the Branson Municipal Code regarding health fees. The Taney County Health Department is the operator for the City in providing these services.

Intake Repair Project

The Board approved the first and final readings of three bills approving addendums to contracts with the Utilities Department. The primary change is the extension of more time to complete the work, due to weather-related delays this fall. All three contracts will expire December 31, 2013, and more time is needed to complete the work.

- Layne Christensen Company for labor, materials and equipment to replace and reinstall two pump and motor assemblies at the Meadows Water Treatment Plant. This is part of the ongoing project of repair to the intake structure which was damaged in the 2011 flood event on Lake Taneycomo.
- ABI Coating Systems for the repair and replacement of roofing on seven buildings at Branson water and wastewater plants.
- JCI Industries for labor and materials to furnish and install a submersible pump at Lift Station #21.

BIDS

Air Conditioner Replacement

The Board approved the first reading of a bill accepting the proposal of D&B HVAC Systems, LLC pertaining to air conditioner replacement. This will replace the units in the older part of City Hall, which have been in service for over 25 years.

Budgeting

The Board approved the first reading of a bill accepting the proposal of the Center for Priority Based Budgeting for consulting services to develop a budgeting-for-outcomes program for the City of Branson. This two to three-year process brings together the Community Plan 2030 and the City's Strategic Plan, and matches budget priorities with these previously approved plans.

RESOLUTIONS

Marketing Budget

The Board approved a Resolution authorizing the marketing budget of the Branson/Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce and Convention and Visitors Bureau. This budget will be in place from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

Convention Center Budget

The Board approved a Resolution authorizing the annual operating budget and capital renewals budget of the Convention Center, including the budget for the parking garage. This budget will be in place from January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014.

Adoration Parade

The Board approved a Resolution amending the Special Event Permit for the 65th Annual Adoration Celebration and Parade. The event was to be held on Sunday, December 8th, but was postponed due to severe weather. This amendment permits associated road closures on the rescheduled date of December 15, 2013.

(Background materials on all agenda items, including audio of the entire Board of Aldermen meeting can be accessed by going to www.bransonmo.gov and clicking on the "Agendas & Minutes" link in the upper left hand corner of the website.)