

SPECIAL MEETING

A special meeting was called to discuss the easement acquisition for PWSD# 2 Waterline

The City of New Melle Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by Mayor Burt. The meeting was held at the New Melle City Hall, located at 145 Almeling Street, New Melle, MO.

Roll Call:

- √ Mayor Steve Burt
- √ Alderman Goodman
- √ Alderman Schneider
- √ Marcia Gay, City Clerk
- √ Alderman Bradley
- √ Alderman Karrenbrock
- √ Attorney Steve Martin – arrived at 4:04 p.m.
- √ Kurt Daniels, Cochran Engineering

Mayor Burt led the Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of the Agenda

Alderman Goodman made a motion, seconded by Alderman Karrenbrock to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

There were no comments for Open Forum. Mayor Burt closed Open Forum at 4:07 p.m.

1. Application for the Firm of F.E.W. Certified Public Accountants to conduct a 2022-2023 Audit for the city of New Melle was presented. Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion to accept the application for F.E.W. Certified Public Accountants, seconded by Alderman Goodman. Motion passed unanimously. The 2022-2023 Audit will move forward.
2. Mr. James Herries, ROW Negotiator for Lochmueller Group representing PWSD#2 discussed the 30” Transmission Line Phase 2 that would be placed on the north side of Hwy D. The 3rd Phase would be located on Foristell Rd. going west to the new meat packing plant in Wright City. The plant requires 1.5 million gallons of water/day to operate.
The City of New Melle has (2) properties for easement procurement; Hwy D and Hwy Z at Foristell Rd. Mayor Burt asked about sidewalks – Mr. Herries said those would not be affected. All construction limits will be in individual property easements. If financial agreements cannot be reached, then eminent domain will proceed. Kurt Daniels questioned easements noted on the proposed plans – some areas show ‘varies’ on existing easements. The easements need to be spelled out. New easements will be in addition to the existing easements. No permanent structures can be built in the easements. The construction company would replace like for like on driveways, fences, etc. The easements would be both temporary and permanent. Legal documents and deeds were presented to the Board of Aldermen. A response was requested within 60 days. After that time condemnation proceedings can begin. The City Attorney, the City Engineer and the Board of Aldermen will review the proposal and try and come to an agreement. Construction is proposed for late 2024 – early 2025.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion to go into Closed Session, seconded by Alderman Goodman. Motion passed unanimously. Closed Session was called to order by Mayor Burt at 4:43 p.m.

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- √ Mayor Steve Burt
- √ Alderman Goodman
- √ Alderman Schneider
- √ Marcia Gay, City Clerk
- √ Alderman Bradley
- √ Alderman Karrenbrock
- √ Attorney Steve Martin.

1. Discussion regarding the PWSD#2 easement procurement proceeded to explore exclusive and non-exclusive clauses to the agreement. Would a non-exclusive agreement that would allow other utilities be feasible? A possible tap/flush hydrant for future use be placed on the city easement.
2. Discussion regarding the purchase of Friedens Church property by the city. Attorney Steve Martin will draft a written proposal that includes the intention for the property, which would include historic preservation, and a bid to purchase the property. Should the proposal be accepted the existing City Hall could be sold in a closed bid option.

Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion to adjourn the Closed Session, seconded by Alderman Schneider. Motion passed unanimously. Closed Session was adjourned at 5:49 p.m.

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Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion to return to the Special Meeting, seconded by Alderman Goodman. Motion passed unanimously. The Special Meeting resumed at 5:50 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Karrenbrock made a motion, seconded by Alderman Schneider to adjourn the Special Meeting at 5:50 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Gay, City Clerk