



DIXON CITY COUNCIL MEETING

City Hall
305 S Elm St.
February 8, 2024

1. CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order at 6:02 p.m.
2. ROLL CALL
Mike Null (Mayor), Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Mary Wiles, Trevor Warnol (in at 6:06 p.m.)
Quorum (5-0)
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
(All present stood for Pledge)
4. INVOCATION
No invocation was given.
5. ADOPT THE AGENDA
Mary Wiles made a motion to adopt the agenda adding USDA and Business License; Mike Gunther seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 4-0
6. RATIFY BILLS
Stacey Yoakum asked for clarification regarding the stamp purchased from Deluxe. Deanna Burns responded a stamp for the new bank account at Maries County Bank deposits. This is not a signature stamp and the city officials went on record to say we will never possess a signature stamp as was the practice under previous leadership.
Motion was made by Mary Wiles to approve the January 2024 Bills paid, Stacey Yoakum seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 5-0
7. APPROVE JANUARY 8 & 18, 2024 MINUTES
Stacey Yoakum made the motion to approve the minutes of January 8 & 18, 2024; Michael Gunther seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 5-0 for 01.08.2024 and 4-1 abstention for 01.18.2024



8. ANNEXATION PUBLIC HEARING
No objections were filed or heard regarding the annexation of 307 High Street into the City of Dixon.
9. BILL 2024-0037: FIRST READING OF TITLE ONLY ANNEXING REAL ESTATE INTO CITY OF DIXON
Motion was made by Stacey Yoakum for the first reading of title only and seconded by Anthony Campbell. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 5-0
10. BILL 2024-0037: SECOND READING TITLE ONLY ANNEXING REAL ESTATE INTO CITY OF DIXON
Motion for the second reading of title only was made by Mary Wiles and seconded by Michael Gunther. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 5-0
11. BILL 2024-0037: APPROVAL TASK ORDER ANNEXING REAL ESTATE INTO CITY OF DIXON
Motion for approval was made by Anthony Campbell, seconded by Stacey Yoakum. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles
Motion carried 5-0
12. USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT – SHINAE YOUNG
Shinae Young is the Community Development Specialist for Rural Development at the USDA. She presented information regarding services offered by Rural Development including over 40 different programs to rural communities under populations of 50,000. Dixon is eligible for all programs offered through Rural Development. In FY22 they funded \$1,196,055,684 in projects in the state of Missouri. In FY23 they funded 19 projects for a total of \$74M. Services include grants and low interest loans for areas such as water, wastewater, police vehicles and maintenance equipment. Shinae will contact the Community Program Specialist out of Rolla to meet with the Council in the near future.
13. MANAGE MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT
Deanna Burns reported the Bank of Missouri has a money market account with a 2.76% interest rate and recommends investing some money. Mayor Null advised Ms. Burns to check rates at Maries County bank, as well as, check on the rates and details of a CD.
14. DNR LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY APPROVAL
We received approval the first of this month of the lead service line inventory. The engineers are estimated to be here in the next two months to start the inventory.



15. HEALTH, DENTAL & VISION INSURANCE

The employee health insurance plan is up for renewal March 1, 2024. The existing MEWA plan is increasing \$93.03 per person so we chose a different Blue Cross Blue Shield Anthem plan that is similar but more affordable. The ACA plan we are changing to is very similar but is age-rated and with nine employees enrolled currently will save the City \$1,914.04 per month. The deductible will remain the same but the out-of-pocket deductible max will increase along with other benefit categories. All insurance rates are increasing across the board. Due to health insurance changing, employee paid dental and vision plans will also be changing. All supervisors have been made aware of these changes. The new insurance will go into effect March 1, 2024.

16. CITY CLERK UPDATE

We have moved everything from Bank of Missouri to Maries County Bank. The new signature cards are ready for signatures. Payroll will be run through Maries County Bank on Monday for the first time.

17. LIBRARY UPDATE

Ms. Rollins reported that she has completed everything for her notary and will be sworn in tomorrow. By next week, Ms. Rollins should be able to officially offer notary services to patrons at the library. Ms. Rollins will be making room in the Children's area soon for some sensory and imaginative play materials. Ms. Rollins is in the beginning stages of planning her summer reading program that will center around gardening and preserving food. The summer reading program will be covering a lot of sustainability ideas.

18. POLICE UPDATE

Chief Durbin gave an update on the Dixon Police Department. In the month of January: 260 calls of service, 2 suspicious activities/6 suspicious persons, 1 drug, 1 disturbance, 29 walk-ins, 12 Security Checks, 16 Agency Assists.

Chief Durbin is working on some issues with the Prosecuting Attorney's office.

Chief gave an update on the Black Tahoe at Sandmans needing an estimated \$3300 to repair it. The repair needed are extensive. Council decided it would be best to put the Tahoe out for bid and sell it.

Maries County has a fully equipped vehicle for \$25,000 they are getting ready to sell.

Mary Wiles made the motion to put the Black Tahoe out for bid in the paper and on Govdeals to sell it, Anthony Campbell seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles

Motion carried 5-0

19. MAINTENANCE/PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE

Nathan Cox reported a total completion of 34 work orders. Cox also reported maintenance had received two new lawn mowers and the basketball courts at Lion's Park are completed. Cox reported the water department had 3 low water pressure events, 3 boil advisories, and 3 significant water leaks for the month of January 2024. Water loss for January 2024 was at 33.38%. The replacement hydrant is scheduled to be replaced on 4th and Oak as soon as it arrives.



20. BUSINESS LICENSE

Stacey Yoakum made a motion to approve the business license for Jason Decker. Motion seconded by Trevor Warnol. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles

Motion carried 5-0

21. CLOSED SESSION @ 6:48 P.M.

Mary Wiles made the motion to go into closed session at 6:48 p.m. with a five-minute recess, Michael Gunther seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles

Motion carried 5-0

22. OPEN SESSION @ 7:30 P.M.

Mary Wiles made the motion to go into open session at 7:30 p.m., Michael Gunther seconded the motion. Roll call to vote: Michael Gunther, Anthony Campbell, Stacey Yoakum, Trevor Warnol, Mary Wiles

Motion carried 5-0


23. ADJOURNMENT

Mary Wiles made the motion to adjourn at 7:30 p.m., Stacey Yoakum seconded the motion. Unanimous show of hands, meeting adjourned.

Minutes approved this 4th day of March, 2024



Mike Null, Mayor



Deanna Burns, City Clerk