

WORK SESSION

The Work Session was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor West. The meeting was held at the New Melle City Hall, located at 145 Almeling Street.

Present at roll call:

Mayor Rich West
Alderman Nik Bradley
Alderman Schneider
Alderman Karrenbrock
Alderman Don Hendrich
City Clerk Savanna Burton

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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1. City Litigation – Mayor West informed the Board that the New Melle vs. Sullivan trial has been postponed to a later date. The defendant has stated if litigation is withdrawn, they will build a house on the property. Regarding the Quarry Wine Garden, Mayor West stated the board will need to take a vote at a later date. Alderman Bradley asked if there was a possibility to send a cease and desist on the parking lot until a site plan is submitted by The Quarry Wine Garden. Mayor West stated the business has two options, make a swale or semi-retention for the gravel lot.
2. Sidewalk Extension at New Melle Sports and Recreation – Mayor West attended a proposal hearing with the East-West Gateway with Kurt Kutter and Kurt Daniels from Cochran. He stated MoDOT has a program that can be used with the East-West Gateway Grant. MoDOT will split the remaining cost 50/50 with the city, but the road must be on the right of way. Mayor West also said Cochran will have cost projections for the project by the next board meeting on February 12, 2019.
3. Trail from New Melle Lakes Park to Town – Mayor West spoke with Steve Ehlman of St Charles County Parks, who stated he would like to be involved with the trail project. The city will need to take the lead on the project since most of the project will take place within the city limits. Mayor West has offered to talk to any residents whose property this may involve. He discussed creating a 4-foot path with solar lights along the trail. Alderman Karrenbrock stated concern of parking at the school during the school year but stated if the trail went to New Melle Sports and Recreation, this could create more parking at one end of the trail. Alderman Hendrich agreed with Alderman Karrenbrock and added if the trail did not start at New Melle Sports and Recreation, it could create a problem with parking at both ends.
4. Road Maintenance and Reconstruction Issues – Alderman Karrenbrock mentioned Forstell Road has some cracks in the asphalt. She suggested putting this out for bid with asphalt companies that are willing to help with projects in the city over a few years. Alderman Karrenbrock mentioned Cochran could help with structural priority to decide which roads are top priority within the limits. Mayor West wants to discuss the option of Cochran completing the road evaluations at the February 12, 2019 Board of Aldermen meeting. He also wants insight from MoDOT on which roads are top priority as well. He also informed the board that St. Charles County is also willing to bid on repairs in New Melle. Alderman Bradley is concerned with working with St Charles County because completion and timing of the project may not be made a priority. Alderman Schneider mentioned the city could go out for bid to work with another engineering firm for these maintenance and reconstruction issues. Aldermen Hendrich and Karrenbrock mentioned various

streets to focus on repairs first. Mayor West would like to make a vote on repairing the Sycamore Creek slabs during the meeting scheduled for February 12, 2019.

5. Other Business – Mayor West wanted the board’s thoughts on a city-wide trash service for residents. He asked if this was an option that could be added to taxes and would like to discuss the topic further once more research is completed.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hendrich made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m., seconded by Alderman Schneider. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Savanna Burton, City Clerk