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**PROPOSED AGENDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 9, 2019**

ROLL CALL

NEW BUSINESS

Jim McGrath-Update Council on Rice Property & Dollar General
Janet Nitcher and Son-Requesting Dog to be allowed in City
Richard Wadleigh-Discuss Ditch between properties
Barry White/MER, LLC-Consent to Annex
John Welch, City Auditor-Discuss 2020 Proposed Budget
Lee Hendricks, City Attorney-Pay Increase
Jackie Cummings/Game Day-Discuss 2019 Fall Festival
Advantage Computer-Change Website from WordPress to Wix

OLD BUSINESS

Kansas Turf and Mammoth, Inc.-Consent Annexation-Proposal to City
Countryside Square Sewer Lagoon-Discuss Drainage Results from KDHE (If any at this time)

SEWER/TRASH DELINQUENCIES

Delinquent Utility Accounts

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Chief Jason Boyer-Police Department Updates

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

ATTORNEY TIME

MAYOR TIME

APPROVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

APPROVE CURRENT EXPENDITURES

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN MEETING

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: BJ Whiteman Ken Parker Jackie Cummings

 Floyd Cozadd Richard White

Dana Boyer, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

NEW BUSINESS

Jim McGrath, Planning & Zoning Commissioner, updated Council regarding a letter sent May 21st, 2019 to Abeln & Associates to answer eight questions concerning Preliminary and Final Plat. Letter from them was received today July 9th, 2019 for Planning and Zoning meeting to be held Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 6 p.m. to review Preliminary and Final Plat and responses to the eight questions. Carrie Daniels, City Clerk will email Heather with Abeln & Associates about final plat to be on Mylar paper to be submitted to Jefferson County Register of Deeds. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney relayed he did not feel a special meeting should be required by the council at this point. If Council Members are coming to Planning & Zoning Meeting they should let Carrie Daniels, City Clerk know ahead of time so she can post it on the door. Jim McGrath is waiting to hear from Mark Bachamp, City Engineer, as to whether he can be present at next Wednesday, July, 17th, 2019 meeting.

Janet Nitcher and her son were present to request that the City of Meriden amend their Vicious Dog Ordinance to a non-specific breed. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney explained several scenarios. Janet Nitcher's son relayed to council everyone owning pit bulls should have a \$1,000,000.00 insurance policy. They are approximately \$300 per year. If dog bite occurs, City process for dog bites is a 10-day quarantine at owner's expense which needs to be written in the agreement. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, will bring Ordinance to next meeting taking out breed specific and including a million dollar Insurance Policy for council's review.

Mayor Boyer had to excuse herself for a moment. Discussion held on ditch line to the East of Richard Wadleigh's property. This property is in the County and Richard's property is in the City. After further discussion, this is the property owner's responsibility.

Motion made by Ken Parker, seconded by Richard White. Move to accept request to Consent Annexation of Barry White's property. BJ Whiteman, President of Council, asked all in favor, all said aye. Motion passed 4-0.

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NEW BUSINESS – CON’T

John Welch, City Auditor, reviewed the 2020 Proposed Budget with Council.
John listed salaries with at least 3% for COLA.

Need to make street repairs continuous instead of patches here and there so all of street is good for years to come was suggested by John Welch, City Auditor.

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by Ken Parker, to accept the proposed budget to have Carrie Daniels, City Clerk, publish 2020 Proposed Budget Public Hearing to be held on August 13th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to publish in The Valley Falls Vindicator.

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, presented letter requesting \$25.00 per hour raise. He had not raised his fee in seven years.

Jackie Cummings made motion, Ken Parker seconded, to approve Lee Hendricks request for \$25.00 an hour increase. Motion passed 5-0.

September 21, 2019 is the date Jackie Cummings would like to have the Meriden Fall Festival. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, will draft Ordinance and bring to August 13, 2019 meeting.

Richard White made motion, seconded by BJ Whiteman to approve Website with Wix. Motion passed 5-0.

BJ Whiteman asked about the creek project west of Washington Street she requested to be looked into. Mayor Dana Boyer relayed Matt spoke with owner and he did not want city to do anything.

Jason Boyer, Chief of Police, will abate all yards that are in violation and include Travis Hansen on July 12, 2019. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney, will draft letters to address citizens in violation.

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

SEWER AND TRASH DELINQUENCIES

Reviewed by Council Members.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Jason Boyer, Chief of Police, was not present.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT

Bettis Asphalt did nice work on the streets. All went well. The City is working with the School on tubes. Reported by Richard White because Matt Williams in Maintenance was on vacation.

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ATTORNEY TIME

Nothing at this time.

MAYOR TIME

Mayor Dana Boyer relayed to Council that she thought Matt Williams, Maintenance Department, needed a big thank you for manning pumps in big rain storm as they went down and he was with them around the clock. James Wells, Maintenance Department was out of state.

Wayne Ledbetter, County Commissioner, relayed to Council that there were issues with land owners by the Post Office. New owner had property resurveyed. Dispute is between landowners.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Ken Parker, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to approve June 11, 2019 minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to approve current expenditures. Motion passed 5-0.

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion made by Jackie Cummings, seconded by Ken Parker, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted by:



Jerri Lederer, Assistant City Clerk

