

**MINUTES  
BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 16, 2019**

**Board present**

Mayor Ann Schneider  
Vice Mayor Tim Harris  
Alderman Bobby Trotter  
Alderman Clay Sneed  
Alderman Jeff Gragg  
Alderman James Hubbard  
Alderman Bruce Head

**Staff present**

City Manager Gina Holt  
Assistant City Manager Ryan Martin  
City Recorder Lisa Crockett  
City Attorney Christy Bartee  
City Clerk Kimberly Brickles

- 1.0 Call to order 6:00 P.M.
- 1.1 Pledge of allegiance to the American flag.
- 1.2 Sam Andavazo of the Springfield Gas Department introduced two recipients of the 2019 Gas Scholarships.
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| Emilie Hyde | Jo Byrns High School   |
| Dannah Nash | Greenbrier High School |
- 1.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen held June 18, 2019 and special called meeting held June 27, 2019. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed unanimously.
- 2.0 Legislative
- 2.1 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve Ordinance 19-15 on second reading. An ordinance amending the City of Springfield Department of Utilities Service Practice Policy. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris.
- Alderman Sneed moved to amend the service practice policy by adding a \$1 per month charge on bills for an insurance policy that would provide a 25% adjustment in the event of a leak or a \$2 per month charge for a 50% adjustment in the event of a leak. Receipt for repairs or parts must be provided in order to receive an adjustment. Adjustments over \$150 would require a receipt from a licensed plumber, and customers could receive one adjustment every 12 months. The motion was seconded by Alderman Head and failed by a 1-6 electronic vote. Aye: Sneed Nays: Harris, Trotter, Hubbard, Schneider, Gragg, Head

Alderman Sneed moved to amend by adding a waiver to the service practice policy that would waive the transfer fees (service charges) to move an account from a personal name into the contractor's name. The motion was seconded by Alderman Head and failed by a 1-6 electronic vote. Aye: Sneed Nays: Harris, Trotter, Hubbard, Schneider, Gragg, Head

Alderman Sneed moved to amend the service practice policy to include a waiver of the minimum electric service charge for residential and commercial customers who utilized solar offset with a minimum of 250kw. The motion was seconded by Alderman Head and failed by a 2-5 electronic vote. Ayes: Sneed, Head Nays: Harris, Trotter, Hubbard, Schneider, Gragg

The original motion was brought back to the floor and passed by a 6-1 electronic vote. Ayes: Harris, Trotter, Schneider, Gragg, Sneed, Head Nay: Hubbard

2.2 Alderman Trotter moved to approve Ordinance 19-17 on first reading. An ordinance amending the fiscal year 2020 annual budget for the City of Springfield by amending certain General Fund and Utility Fund operating budgets. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

2.3 Alderman Harris moved to approve Resolution 19-17. A resolution to amend the restrictions and covenants of the North Industrial Park regarding road setbacks. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

### 3.0 Administrative

3.1 Alderman Harris moved to approve the monthly TVA wholesale fuel cost adjustment of \$0.01673 per kilowatt hour effective August 1, 2019. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hubbard and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The resulting retail rate is 2.0% lower than last month and will result in a \$1.52 to \$2.53 decrease in the average residential electric bill.

3.2 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve the adjustment of monthly gas rates of the Springfield Gas Department. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

The Purchased Gas Adjustment (PGA) increased to \$0.3504 or 2.13% from the previous month. The actual increase in rates across the board averaged 1.20%.

3.3 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve paying an amount not to exceed \$43,000 for reinstating the East Montgomery Utility District water connection in the York Road area. The motion was seconded by Alderman Gragg and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 3.4 Alderman Hubbard moved to approve an amendment to the current contract with American Engineers, Inc. (AEI) for an amount not to exceed \$68,950 for inspection and testing services for the new wastewater storage facilities. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.
- 3.5 Presentation by Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. regarding the results of the water hydraulic model update and analysis.

4.0 Consent

Alderman Hubbard moved to approve all consent items. The motion was seconded by Alderman Harris and passed by a 7-0 electronic vote.

- 4.1 Public Works Department's request to extend the contract for utility street repair and maintenance an additional 12 months to Sessions Paving Co., Inc. of Nashville. The contract would expire June 30, 2020.
- 4.2 Public Works Department's request to award a unit priced contract for repair and maintenance of streets to Sessions Paving Co., Inc. of Nashville in an amount not to exceed \$1,346,185.
- 4.3 Water and Wastewater Department's request to award the bid for painting the Betts Road water tank to Utility Service Co., Inc. of Perry, Georgia in the amount of \$197,300. Budget: \$200,000
- 4.4 Electric Department's request to purchase communications processors for the SCADA upgrade project from NovaTech, LLC of Lenexa, Kansas as a sole source in the amount of \$33,025. Total Budget: \$650,000
- 4.5 Fire Department's request for emergency purchase of an automatic transfer switch from Energy Systems Southeast, LLC in the amount of \$14,500.

5.0 City Manager's Report

City Manager Gina Holt reminded everyone to attend the First Friday Night Market and Summer Concert Series on Friday, August 2, 2019 on The Square. The band will be the Red Light 11.

Ms. Holt also announced that the Bicentennial Concert will be on Sunday, September 1, 2019 on The Square and will feature Shenandoah and Restless Heart. Ms. Holt stated that there would be plenty of opportunities to volunteer to work the event. It is expected that 100-150 people will be needed. Streets will

be closed starting on Saturday afternoon, August 31, 2019 to prepare for the event on Sunday.

Ms. Holt announced that the softball and baseball tournaments had come to an end. The last team to be eliminated was the 11-12-year-old boys. They came in third in the State on Monday night in Fairview. Congratulations to all our teams.

6.0 Adjournment

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting.

  
Ann Schneider, Mayor

Attest:

  
Lisa H. Crockett, City Recorder