

**City of Meta  
Regular Board Meeting  
April 13, 2022  
6:30 P.M.  
City Hall  
Meta, Missouri**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Pro-Tem Lawrence Hoffman

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

Alderman Helton  
Alderman Sherrell

Alderman Wankum

**AGENDA:**

**Approval of Minutes**

- Regular Monthly March 9, 2022
- Special Meeting March 23, 2022

**Financial Report**

- New Line Items
- Gerding, Korte, Chitwood Resolution

**Water/Trash Report**

**Chief Water Operator Report**

**City Maintenance Report/Issues**

- Concrete for Nathan Street
- Gravely Mower to Shop
- Chat for Ballpark & Maintenance Building
- Lights for Basketball Court & Volleyball Court

**Old Business**

- Infield Sand
- Donation Ordinance
- New Utility Bill Due Date Ordinance
- Dollar General Business License
- Backroad Bites, LLC Business License

**New Business**

- City Clerk's Report
  - Bartlett & West Engineering Report
  - Flynn Inspection
  - Bond Election
- Attorney Report

**Open Discussion (3 Minutes per Topic)**

**Closed Meeting—Hiring & Personnel**

**Next Meeting May 11, 2022 starting at 6:30 p.m.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**CLOSED SESSION**

The board of Aldermen may go into closed session for the purpose of discussing and/or acting upon the following matters:

1. RSMO.610.021 (1) "Relating to legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body."
2. RSMO.0610.021 (13) "Relating to hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of personnel of a public governmental body."

**City of Meta**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**March 09, 2022**  
**6:30 P.M.**  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Emily Sommerer

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ROLL CALL:**

Alderman Helton—Present  
Alderman Sherrell—Present

Alderman Wankum—Present  
Alderman Hoffman—Present

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Deidra Buechter  
Kenny Loethen

Mary Plassmeyer  
Taylor Backes

Lois Doran

Neal Johnson

**AGENDA:**

**Approval of Minutes**—Alderman Wankum moved to approve the minutes from:

- Regular Monthly February 09, 2022

Alderman Sherrell 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Report**—Given by City Treasurer Mary Plassmeyer

<b>MID AMERICA BANK</b>		
<b>SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS</b>		
<b>As of February 28, 2021</b>		
<b><u>Super Now Account #0028 (Operating Fund)</u></b>		
Balance as of 01/31/22		\$378,610.65
Deposits		\$14,806.41
Debits		\$13,337.65
<b>Balance as of 02/28/22</b>		<b>\$380,079.41</b>
<b><u>Money Market Account #4411</u></b>		
Balance as of 01/31/22		\$140,395.74
Monthly Interest Earned 0.2% per annum		\$21.54
<b>Balance as of 02/28/22</b>		<b>\$140,417.28</b>
<b><u>Certificate of Deposit #15411 (2.50%/annum)</u></b>		
54-month CD Maturity Date: 03/13/2023		
<b>Balance as of 02/28/22</b>		<b>\$54,221.15</b>
<b><u>Certificate of Deposit #15741 (0.50%/annum)</u></b>		
54-month CD Maturity Date: 07/29/2022		
<b>Balance as of 02/28/22</b>		<b>\$125,024.13</b>
<b>Total MAB Statement as of 02/28/22</b>		<b>\$699,741.97</b>

Alderman Wankum moved to approve the Financial Report  
Alderman Helton 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.

**Water/Trash Report**—Given by City Clerk Deidra Buechter

Meta					
Management Report					
Usage for 01/2022					
No. of Accts: 112					
<b>Sales \$</b>					<b>Period Sales</b>
\$ 4,831.72		Water			395538
\$ 1,165.59		Trash			81
\$ 181.38		Tax			
\$ 80.00		Late Fee			8
\$ -		Connection Fee			0
\$ -		Reconnect Fee			
\$ 6,258.69		Total Current Charges			
\$ 705.37		Previous Balance			
\$ 6,964.06		Total Due			
\$ 5,716.45		Payments Received			
\$ 1,247.61		Balance Yet Owed			

**Chief Water Operator Report**—Given by Interim Chief Water Operator Deidra Buechter—We have a leak. Ruben Wieberg will be coming down to help to see if it can be found.

**City Maintenance Report/Issues**—Given by Alderman Wankum

- Crews continue cleaning right-of-ways. Alderman Wankum will take the Gravelly and chainsaw to Diamond R for repair.

#### Old Business

- Artificial Turf—Options presented by Clerk Buechter for batting cage.
  - Alderman Sherrell moved to have Clerk Buechter purchase the artificial (Riviera Monterey-50) turf from Menards for the batting cage. Alderman Helton 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously. Alderman instructed Clerk Buechter to order a metal sign for the batting cage stating no cleats in the batting cage to preserve the integrity of the turf.
- Playground Fill—Options presented by Clerk Buechter for playground area.
  - Alderman Sherrell moved to have Clerk Buechter purchase black rubber nuggets for the playground fill from Menards and have it shipped to the ballpark. Alderman Helton 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
- Infield Mix for the ball diamond—Alderman instructed Clerk Buechter to figure out how to measure the ballfield and see how much infield mix they would need.

#### New Business

- City Clerk's Report
  - Bartlett & West Engineering Report—See Attachment A



- Rock Island Trail Update—Clerk Buechter told the Board that MO State Parks has accepted ownership of the Rock Island Railroad and will be wanting to meet with cities bordering the trail in the upcoming months.
- Clerk Buechter informed the board they will be receiving a price from Meyer Electric to replace the lights on the basketball court and on the volleyball court.
- Treasurer Plasmmeier and Lois Doran presented a project idea that is used in St. Louis County. It is a Round-Up program—citizens in St. Louis County can round up their property taxes and donate the extra amount to a local project.
- Mayor Sommerer asked if the Round-Up program could be done in conjunction with the water bills instead. Alderman Helton liked the idea of doing it with the water bills so the donated money will stay within the community and the citizens can see their money at work. Alderman instructed Attorney Nickolaus to right an ordinance to reflect the donations to be used for the park fund.
- Alderman Wankum reported that the bleachers at the volleyball court need to be repainted and maintained.
- Pole Use Agreement with Ameren Missouri
  - Alderman Wankum to have Mayor Sommerer sign the Pole Use Agreement with Ameren Missouri. Alderman Helton 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
    - Mayor Sommerer entertained a motion to pass a resolution to have to mayor sign Resolution Number 2022-03 A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE POLE USE AGREEMENT WITH UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY D/B/A AMEREN ELECTRIC FOR ELECTRIC OUTLETS ON ELECTRIC POLES FOR USE BY THE CITY OF META, MISSOURI.
      - Alderman Wankum moved to approve Resolution 2022-03. Alderman Hetlon 2<sup>nd</sup>. Resolution approved by a roll call vote of the alderman.
        - Alderman Helton—aye
        - Alderman Hoffman—aye
        - Alderman Wankum—aye
        - Alderman Sherrell—aye
- Attorney Report
  - Attorney Nathan Nickolaus presented his report on nuisance properties— See Attachment B
- Mayor Sommerer entertained a motion to enter into closed session to discuss a personnel matter.
  - Alderman Helton moved to close the open meeting and enter into a closed meeting. Alderman Sherrell 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
- Mayor Sommerer took a roll call to close open session at 8:24 PM
  - Alderman Helton—here
  - Alderman Wankum—here
  - Alderman Hoffman—here
  - Alderman Sherrell—here
- Mayor Sommerer reopened the meeting at 8:38 PM with a roll call.
  - Alderman Helton—here
  - Alderman Wankum—here
  - Alderman Hoffman—here
  - Alderman Sherrell—here
- Mayor Sommerer told the maintenance crew that job descriptions and job lists are non-negotiable. Loethen said he wouldn't mark baselines or set out bases, but the Board told him they'd purchase base setters to install and then bases could be placed and renters could move them accordingly.

- Loethen then agreed to put out the bases.
- Mayor Sommerer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.
  - Alderman Helton moved to adjourn the meeting
  - Alderman Sherrell 2<sup>nd</sup>.
  - Mayor Sommerer adjourned the meeting at 8:38 PM

**Next Meeting April 13, 2022 starting at 6:30 p.m.**

Approved by:

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Lawrence Hoffman, Mayor Pro-Tem

Prepared by:

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Deidra Buechter, City Clerk

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**City of Meta**  
**Special Meeting Minutes**  
**March 23, 2022**  
**6:30 P.M.**  
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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Emily Sommerer called the closed meeting to order at 8:27 PM

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** All participated

**ROLL CALL:**

Alderman Helton—Present  
Alderman Sherrell—Present

Alderman Wankum—Present  
Alderman Hoffman—Present

- Mayor Sommerer stated that the board needed to decided on a color for the water tower. Colors were presented to the board by Treasurer Plassmeyer that had been emailed to Clerk Buechter from Maguire Iron. Alderman Wankum moved to use the color Slate Gray as the first choice and Tank White as the second choice. Alderman Hoffman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried unanimously.
- Mayor Sommerer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Hoffman moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman 2<sup>nd</sup> Sherrell. Motion passed unanimously.
- Mayor Sommerer adjourned the meeting at 6:45 PM
- Next meeting April 13, 2022

Approved by:

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Lawrence Hoffman, Mayor Pro-Tem

Prepared by:

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Deidra Buechter, City Clerk

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