

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**Thiebaud Meeting Rooms**  
**April 17, 2023**  
**6:00 p.m.**

The council met in regular session. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hull. On roll call, the following members answered present: Tim Riegel, Bill Talbott, Judd Chesnut, Mark Gardner, John Gilkey, Brian Griffith, and Mike Main. Logan Powell was absent.

Also attending, City Administrator – Russ Worsley; Assistant City Administrator – Rusty Rives; City Clerk – Felicia Costley; Police Chief – Joe Moore; Fire Chief – Rick Heinen; City Attorney – Steven Kaderly

A motion was made by Alderman Griffith to approve the agenda for tonight’s meeting. Alderman Main seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes.

Alderman Gardner made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2023, Regular Session City Council meeting. Alderman Chesnut seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes.

Next was the Public Good and Welfare part of the meeting. No one was present to speak.

Chief Moore presented the Police reports. Good numbers and improvements regarding property disturbances. Burglaries were up slightly. There are thirteen Nuisance Abatement properties with ten of them now posting as closed. This leaves only three still pending as they are being addressed. Mowing season is starting. Every Friday morning will be “yard check” day.

Chief Heinen discussed the Fire reports. There were fifteen runs divided between city and rural calls. Sheldon is now first out on their calls with Lamar assisting as needed. Smaller claims continue to be paid with a few properties going to collection.

With Bills being presented ahead of time for members to review, Alderman Griffith made the motion to pay the bills. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes. Therefore, the bills were paid from the following funds:

<b>ELECTRIC</b>			
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	806.72	KANSAS COUNSELORS INC.	24.07
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	805.48	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	1,164.58
MISSOURI ONE CALL SYSTEM, INC.	78.30	AT&T	23.49
CROW-BURLINGAME COMPANY	196.83	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	14.13
JOPLIN SUPPLY COMPANY	2,319.77	RUSS WORSLEY	11.46
SOUTHWESTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION	99,075.60	TOTAL ELECTRONICS CONTRACTING, INC	6,325.00
MISSOURI JOINT MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC UTIL	20,387.19	STRONGHOLD DATA	6,010.87
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	5,157.53	J & J CONSTRUCT SERVICES, LLC	1,305.60
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	346.83	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY	375.35
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	280.96	MACO CREATIONS	3,827.36
LAGERS	3,893.07	SIGN DESIGNS, LLC	270.00

LAMAR TRUCK & TIRE	12.00	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	25,907.58
FINLEY ENGINEERING COMPANY	7,016.00	POTTERS REPAIR	4,088.00
WESCO DISTRIBUTION, INC.	3,426.00	SPRINGFIELD-LAMAR EXPRESS	30.00
ALTEC INDUSTRIES, INC.	3,994.81	CROW-BURLINGAME COMPANY	115.00
GRAYBAR ELECTRIC	3,825.00	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.	44.04
SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	260.37	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	55.38
MFA OIL	2,296.69	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	3.78
MATT & MAX LLC	42.00	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	11.92
FLETCHER-REINHARDT CO	3,969.95	LAGERS	37.64
T&R ELECTRIC	4,401.58	AT&T	549.12
WEX BANK	276.84	JOHN FABICK TRACTOR CO.	22,449.39
HERITAGE TRACTOR	74.30	MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC	146.16
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	29,953.76	SCHREIBER ENGINEERING, LLC	4,263.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	132.81	ALLIED WASTE	21,079.00
POSTMASTER	350.92	ARVEST BANK	27,193.20
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	2,979.87	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	1,126.73
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	237.54	WINGO SERVICE CO., INC.	2,425.00
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	1,751.80	UPS	64.77
LAGERS	3,805.28	RED BALL OXYGEN	33.00
JEFFRIES PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR CONDI	3,998.91	NEW FRONTIER TECHNOLOGIES, LLC	32,850.00
FINLEY ENGINEERING COMPANY	260.00	REDNECK WELDING & FABRICATION	50.00
LAKELAND OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC.	149.94	BHMG ENGINEERS, INC.	2,903.42
JEFFRIES ELECTRIC	122.54	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	328.58
<b>WATER/SEWER</b>			
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	4,926.08	DRYFORK DIESEL & AUTO, LLC	69.35
USA BLUEBOOK	258.57	BALDWIN AUTO REPAIR	156.61
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.	27.06	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	9,825.82
JOPLIN SUPPLY COMPANY	2,058.14	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES	132.80
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	2,028.42	POSTMASTER	350.91
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	166.34	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	1,670.15
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	109.93	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	133.52
LAGERS	1,970.46	LAGERS	2,464.51
MFA OIL	251.55	LAKELAND OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC.	149.93
NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	14.13	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	96.21
WEX BANK	166.47	AT&T	23.48
MUNICIPAL H2O	350.00	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	14.13
HAWKINS, INC.	3,724.06	RUSS WORSLEY	11.45
KimHEC	870.00	STRONGHOLD DATA	6,010.87
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	13,505.16	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	16,763.88
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	451.00	LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	4,723.13
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	543.91	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	1,086.74
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.	536.88	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	68.45
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	1,086.79	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	63.46
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	104.37	LAGERS	694.77
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	258.67	EMPIRE ELECTRIC	9,130.00
LAGERS	1,217.69	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	176.60
WILSON BODY SHOP, LLC	2,751.42	JCI INDUSTRIES INC.	3,717.00
SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	96.75	ORSCHELN	268.39
MFA OIL	949.62	TODDZ ELECTRIC	417.98
ORSCHELN	439.41	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	6,508.29
<b>SANITATION</b>			
BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, IN	52.36	REPUBLIC SERVICES INC (SANITATION SERV	88,644.48
<b>GENERAL</b>			
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	48.60	LAGERS	1,191.07
LAMAR DEMOCRAT	867.00	AT&T	594.14
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	473.88	UNITED COMMUNICATIONS CORP.	20.77
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	410.76	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	516.00
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	33.34	MFA OIL	527.00
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	44.02	PREMIER TRUCK GROUP OF JOPLIN	170.75
LAGERS	1,198.42	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	35.60
BARTON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	8,850.00	MISSOURI FIRE FIGHTERS CRITICAL ILLNES	872.00
SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	1,251.55	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	14,314.91
AT&T	23.48	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	549.84
NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	213.09	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	35.86
APRIL GRAHAM	600.00	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	44.95
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	8,127.32	LAGERS	756.22
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	2,496.58	MABCA	200.00
O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.	50.60	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	5,109.61
BARTON COUNTY TREASURER	5,205.00	CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	127.36
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUP	9,622.20	BARTON COUNTY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, IN	548.01

DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	802.90	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	9.24
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	2.86	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	0.80
LAGERS	6,089.71	LAGERS	9.90
LAMAR TRUCK & TIRE	168.91	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	44.58
LAKELAND OFFICE SYSTEMS, INC.	124.70	LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	218.70
MISSOURI POLICE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION	700.00	BERRY TRACTOR AND EQUIPMENT CO.	653.05
STEPHEN J. SHORT, D.V.M.	967.50	BEACHNER SEED CO, LLC	62.50
NITV FEDERAL SERVICES	495.00	MISSOURI DEPT. OF NATURAL RESOURCES	60.00
CRITTERS AND PALS	9.50	SPIRE MISSOURI INC	365.96
SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	3,426.56	CROW-BURLINGAME COMPANY	52.54
NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	261.36	O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE, INC.	368.15
GEARHEADS	1,684.61	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	5,813.68
MATT & MAX LLC	60.00	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	462.36
WEX BANK	2,550.14	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	75.44
APRIL GRAHAM	600.00	LAGERS	4,256.76
STRONGHOLD DATA	5,962.86	BUS ANDREWS TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC.	372.38
SOUTHERN UNIFORM AND TACTICAL, INC.	703.84	WALLIS LUBRICANT, LLC	2,001.76
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	67,418.61	LAMAR TRAVEL PLAZA	20.56
GOOD SAMARITAN	600.00	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	598.43
CLEMENT'S PLUMBING & HEATING	364.51	MFA OIL	4,353.35
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	569.88	ORSCHELN	180.13
AIRE-MASTER OF AMERICA, INC.	7.44	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	14.13
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	611.62	MULBERRY LIMESTONE QUARRY COMPANY	636.17
CROW-BURLINGAME COMPANY	11.86	HERITAGE TRACTOR	235.34
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	1,711.75	DRYFORK DIESEL & AUTO, LLC	2,210.57
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	157.46	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	31,797.76
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	50.87		
<b>MEMORIAL</b>			
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	907.84	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	38.26
AIRE-MASTER OF AMERICA, INC.	44.66	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	16.17
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	146.91	LAGERS	278.50
GAMMON GLASS & PAINT CO, INC	125.00	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	2,830.54
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	416.07		
<b>PARK</b>			
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	3,110.64	LAGERS	528.90
SPRINGFIELD JANITOR SUPPLY, INC.	262.58	MFA OIL	24.21
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	549.83	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	3,573.60
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	17.93	NEVCO SPORTS, LLC	21,667.95
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	368.78	ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	36.78
SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	629.47	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	367.40
SCHILTZ LAWN & GARDEN	39.00	ARLAN COMPANY INC.	1,133.50
HERITAGE TRACTOR	2,970.00	ORSCHELN	19.47
BAGSPOT PET WASTE SOLUTIONS	229.00	COOPER COX	115.00
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	1,997.24	SAMUEL TIMMONS, BRYAN HARTGRAVE, WYAT	1,225.00
BRETT FAUBION, N W T F, SHYANNE OSTERDYK	250.00	ADVANCED TURF SOLUTIONS	4,252.45
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	665.45	HERITAGE TRACTOR	1,485.00
SPIRE MISSOURI INC	778.93	LAMAR R1 SCHOOLS	630.00
SPRINGFIELD JANITOR SUPPLY, INC.	384.63	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	1,652.00
**PAYROLL EXPENSES	1,549.80	ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	549.84
LAMAR CITY UTILITIES	206.68	DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	35.86
CONSOLIDATED PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY	63.30	LAGERS	703.66
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	549.84	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	24.88
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	35.86	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	4,754.40
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT</b>			
ISENHOWER LUMBER COMPANY INC.	99.72	SECURITY CREDIT CARD OPERATIONS	673.46
JEFFRIES ELECTRIC	141.13	SHERWIN-WILLIAMS COMPANY	363.80
MO. VOCATIONAL ENTERPRISES	2,291.00		
<b>TAXI</b>			
AIRE-MASTER OF AMERICA, INC.	7.46	UNITED ACCESS	421.25
ANTHEM BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD MO GROUF	549.84	NET VISION COMMUNICATIONS LLC	34.55
DELTA DENTAL OF MO LOCKBOX	65.24	WEX BANK	621.78
LAGERS	384.40	**PAYROLL EXPENSES	10,184.06
MFA OIL	6.37		

Mayor Hull read the Treasurer’s Report for March 2023. Alderman Gilkey made the motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Alderman Gardner seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes.

For General Business Astra Ferris presented the current and collective RFI Funnels.

Next, the results of the April 4, 2023, election were presented. Alderman Gilkey made the motion to approve the results of the election. Alderman Main seconded the motion. Upon vote, all members voted yes.

**BARTON COUNTY  
APRIL 4, 2023  
MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS**

***CITY OF LAMAR***

	ABSENTEE	VOTE CENTER#3	VOTE CENTER#4	VOTE CENTER#?	TOTAL
<b>MAYOR</b>					
MIKE HULL	21	137	57	0	215
EVA ROLAND BUCHANAN	5	62	48	0	115
RICK OELTJEN	19	109	120	1	249
<b>WARD I ALDERMAN</b>					
JUDD CHESNUT	5	124	0	0	129
<b>WARD II ALDERMAN</b>					
TIM RIEGEL	21	149	0	0	170
<b>WARD III ALDERMAN</b>					
BRIAN GRIFFITT	5	0	65	0	70
<b>WARD IV ALDERMAN</b>					
WILLIAM TALBOTT	8	0	122	0	130
<b>PROPOSITION ONE</b>					
YES	38	268	191	0	497
NO	8	37	33	1	79

Mayor Hull began the round table discussion. Each alderman thanked Mayor Hull for his leadership and dedication to improving the city of Lamar. Alderman Main summed it up by saying how proud he was of Mayor Hull and having known Mayor Hull's father, he was sure that his father would have been proud as well.

Mayor Hull asked if there was any more business to come before the council, if not, a motion to adjourn would be in order. Alderman Chesnut made the motion to adjourn this meeting. This motion was seconded by Alderman Main. Upon vote, all members present voted yes. Therefore, this meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

A framed farewell letter signed by each alderman was presented to Mayor Hull and his wife, Kelly.

The second meeting was called to order by the swearing in of Mayor Oeltjen by the city clerk at 6:45 p.m.

City Clerk, Felicia Costley, swore in Rick Oeltjen as Mayor for a two-year term. Judd Chesnut, Ward One; Tim Reigel, Ward Two; Brian Griffith, Ward Three; Bill Talbott, Ward Four were sworn in as alderman for a two-year term.

On roll call, the following members answered present: Tim Riegel, Bill Talbott, Judd Chesnut, Mark Gardner, John Gilkey, Brian Griffith, and Mike Main. Logan Powell was absent.

Also attending, City Administrator – Russ Worsley; Assistant City Administrator – Rusty Rives; City Clerk – Felicia Costley; Police Chief – Joe Moore; Fire Chief – Rick Heinen; City Attorney – Steven Kaderly

Department Reports were made by Jim Buzzard, Building Inspector. It was noted in last month's council meeting that the properties would be presented ahead of time to each alderman so that these could be looked over and the aldermen could be prepared to vote upon each motion. Building Inspector, Jim Buzzard, presented nine properties ahead of time with only eight of them still remaining for discussion and voting upon the motions. The ninth one was already taken care of prior to the start of this meeting.

Motion 1 of each property is declaring the accessory building a public nuisance under section 8-134 of the code of ordinances and/or detrimental to the health, safety, or welfare of the residents of the city.

1. 1511 Lexington owned by Trevor Tidball, Accessory Building

Motion 1 was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Talbott.

Motion 2 made by Alderman Griffith and seconded by Alderman Talbott mandates that the accessory building be repaired or demolished and removed within 120 days.

2. 1601 Lexington, owned by Trevor Tidball, House and Accessory Building

Motion 1 made by Alderman John Gilkey and seconded by Alderman Riegel.

Motion 2 made by Alderman Chesnut and seconded by Alderman Griffith mandates that the House and Accessory Building be repaired or demolished and removed within 120 days.

3. 1800 Jackson, owned by Leslie & Jacqueline Splitter, House

Motion 1 made by Alderman Gilkey and seconded by Alderman Gardner.

Motion 2 made by Alderman Griffith and seconded by Alderman Riegel mandates that the House be repaired or demolished and removed within 120 days.

4. 804 E 18<sup>th</sup> Street, owned b Jacqueline Splitter, Mobile Home and Garage

Motion 1 was made by Alderman Gilkey and seconded by Alderman Riegel.

Motion 2 made by Alderman Chesnut and seconded by Alderman Main mandates that the Nobile Home and Accessory Building be repaired or demolished and removed within 120 days.

5. 1705 Jackson, owned by Jacqueline Splitter, Accessory Building

Motion 1 was made by Alderman Griffith and seconded by Alderman Gilkey.

Motion 2 made by Alderman Main and seconded by Alderman Chesnut mandates that the Accessory Building be demolished and removed within 120 days.

6. 1010 Mill, owned by New Seasons Residential, House

Motion 1 declaring the house as an immediate danger was made by Alderman Gilkey and seconded by Alderman Griffith.

Motion 2 mandating that the House be demolished and removed with 21 days was made by Alderman Chesnut and seconded by Alderman Gardner.

7. 1604 Heagon, owned by Kevin Baldwin, House and Accessory Building

Motion 1 was made by Alderman Gardner and seconded by Alderman Riegel.

Motion 2 mandating that the House and Accessory Building be repaired within 120 days was made by Alderman Main and seconded by Alderman Gilkey.

8. 1807 Jackson, owned by Ligina Sparks, House

Motion 1 was made by Alderman Gilkey and seconded by Alderman Griffith.

Motion 2 mandating that the House be repaired within 120 days was made by Alderman Chesnut and seconded by Alderman Talbott.

The Public Expenditures Committee met on Thursday, April 13, 2023. At Chairman Gilkey's request, City Administrator, Russ Worsley, presented the discussion from this meeting.

With the timeframe required to purchase new vehicles, it was proposed to purchase a gently used but quite functional pick-up truck for the city using budgeted money available in the Electric Fund.

Also included in this discussion was placing an order for a new police vehicle now so that it will be available when needed. The funds will come from next year's, 2023-2024, budget.

Mayor Oeltjen presented Resolution 481 ***A RESOLUTION AMENDING OR REVISING THE 2022-2023 ELECTRIC FUND FOR THE CITY OF LAMAR, MISSOURI, AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS.***

Alderman Gilkey made the motion to approve Resolution No. 455. Alderman Griffith seconded the motion. On vote, all members voted yes.

Mayor Oeltjen presented the following reports:

- Budget Analysis
- Cash and Investments by Fund
- Comparison of Bills and Financial Statements
- Debt Services
- Electric Sales
- Expenses Not Budgeted
- Methane Gas Generator Income and Expense
- Pooled Cash Report
- Sales Tax Revenue
- TATS

City Administrator, Russ Worsley discussed his report. The new sign for City Hall is to start being installed tomorrow, Tuesday, April 18. Following a customer complaint, DNR did some testing on our water to find that it is in good shape. Everything is fine.

Mayor Oeltjen began the round table discussion by saying how excited he is to be here and that he is up for the challenge. He intends to be the council's support as well as the administrator and his assistant. The mayor will have a city email address as well as an extension at the city hall number.

Steven Kaderly, City Attorney, presented the MML conference in KC, Sept 10-13, as a good one for the council to attend.

Each councilman congratulated and welcomed the new mayor to his position. Mayor Oeltjen asked if there was any more business to come before the council, if not, a motion to adjourn would be in order. Alderman Chesnut made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Talbott seconded the motion. On vote, all members present voted yes. Therefore, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

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Rick Oeltjen, Mayor

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Felicia Costley, City Clerk