**May 28, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the Ash Grove Board of Aldermen meeting to order at 7:25 p.m. on May 28, 2015.

Members present: Jan Lehmkuhl, Mayor; Troy Watts, Jerry Kane,Sharon Anderson and Diana Simpson, Aldermen. Also in attendance: City Clerk, Deborah Cox.

The Board met to discuss the 2015-2016 budget.

Motion made by Troy Watts and seconded by Jerry Kane to adjourn at 9:35 p.m. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

*Deborah A. Cox, City Clerk*

**May 22, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the Board of Alderman Study Session to order at 6:45 p.m. on May 22, 2015.

Board members present: Jerry Kane, Diana Simpson, and Troy Watts. Also in attendance; City Clerk, Deborah Cox.

The Board met to discuss the 2015-2016 Budget.

Motion made by Troy Watts and seconded by Jerry Kane to adjourn at 9:45 p.m. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

*Deborah A Cox, City Clerk*

**May 18, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the Board of Alderman Study Session to order at 6:45 p.m. on May 18, 2015.

Board members present: Sharon Anderson, Jerry Kane, Diana Simpson, and Troy Watts. Also present:

The Board met to discuss the 2015-2016 Budget.

Diana Simpson made a motion to adjourn with Jerry Kane giving the second. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

*Troy Watts, Alderman*

**May 12, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the Board of Alderman Study Session to order at 6:45 p.m. on May 12, 2015.

Board members present: Sharon Anderson, Jerry Kane, Diana Simpson, and Troy Watts. Also present:

Council met to discuss the 2015-2016 Budget.

Board asked Public Works Director Frank Babcock to be present to discuss his wants and needs for the Public Works Department.

Diana Simpson made a motion to adjourn with Jerry Kane giving the second. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

*Troy Watts, Alderman*

**May 5, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the Council Study Session to order at 6:45 p.m. on May 5, 2015.

Council members present: Sharon Anderson, Jerry Kane, Diana Simpson, and Troy Watts. Also present: Police OfficerJacob Marler.

Council met to discuss the 2015-2016 Budget.

Marler explained the needs of the Police Department Budget.

Diana Simpson made a motion to adjourn with Jerry Kane giving the second. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried. Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

*Troy Watts, Alderman*

**May 4, 2015** *(approved)*

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the regular Board meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. on May 4, 2015.

Members present: Jan Lehmkuhl, Mayor; Troy Watts, Jerry Kane, Sharon Anderson, and Diana Simpson, Aldermen. Also in attendance: City Clerk, Deborah Cox, Les Gardner, Marc Schwenn, Inz Fry, Chuck Fry and Ryan Squibb.

Sharon Anderson gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Motion made by Jerry Kane and seconded by Diana Simpson to approve the consent agenda as presented which includes the minutes from the last meetings. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

***“SPARKS IN THE PARK” FIREWORKS:*** Doug Renshaw and Ginny Smith, representing CIA, asked the City to donation $3,500 for the fireworks display at Sparks in the Park on June 28, 2015. Dates for “Movie Night”, Christmas Parade, and Christmas Home Tour were presented. Motion made by Jerry Kane and seconded by Sharon Anderson to allocate $3,500 for the fireworks display. Vote taken. Unanimously approved. Motion made by Troy Watts and seconded by Diana Simpson to approve the use of City Property for the “Movie Nights” and Christmas Parade. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

Christy Miller and Justin Riedle were not present to discuss building codes.

Mayor Lehmkuhl showed numerous thank you cards from the students at Bois D’Arc Elementary to the Board for their role in helping to supply internet access to their school.

***BARHAM HOUSE REPAIRS:*** Barham House repairs were then discussed: Mayor Lehmkuhl advised the Board of three years of significant spending to address the needed repairs. This year the roofing repairs, flashing, soffit/ fascia, and bathroom. The second year, if approved, will be the flooring, kitchen, brick molding for doors and windows, and two new exterior doors on the south side. The third year the Board will address the upstairs.

Motion made by Jerry Kane and seconded by Troy Watts to pay the bills after they are reviewed and signed. Vote taken. Unanimous.

Mayor Lehmkuhl had asked the Board to volunteer for several committees. Mayor Lehmkuhl made the follow appointments:Sharon Anderson – Southwest Missouri Council of Governments(SMCOG) Diana Simpson – Solid Waste Management District O, Jerry Kane – Ash Grove Planning and Zoning Commission, Troy Watts – Ash Grove Park Advisory Board. Motion made by Troy Watts and seconded by Jerry Kane to approve the Mayor’s appointments. Vote taken. Unanimously approved.

New signature cards authorizing the new board members to sign on all bank accounts will need to be signed at the Old Missouri Bank.

Mayor Lehnkuhl announced the date for the National Day of Pray will be May 7, 2015 at noon at City Hall.

Motion was made by Troy Watts and seconded by Jerry Kane to go into closed session to discuss personnel and real estate issues at 7:30 p.m. Vote taken. Watts, Kane, Anderson, Simpson, aye.

Motion made by Jerry Kane and seconded by Troy Watts to go back into regular meeting. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Jan Lehmkuhl called the meeting back to order at 7:51 p.m. with Jerry Kane, Diana Simpson, Sharon Anderson, and Troy Watts; Attorney Mel Gilbert was also in attendance.

Mr. Gilbert informed the Board of his training seminar with MML was going to be October 29th, at 6:00 p.m. and would like to have it in Ash Grove if the City could come up with a caterer to provide the food at a reasonable cost. Mayor Lehmkuhl stated she could find someone and would get back to him as soon as she had a menu to show him.

Mayor Lehmkuhl announced that no decisions were made in closed session that could be announced in open session.

Having no further business to discuss, Diana Simpson made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. with Sharon Anderson giving the second. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

*Deborah A. Cox, City Clerk*