

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY
OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI, HELD ON TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2009.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, April 28, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David W. Eden, with the following Aldermen answering roll call: J.N. Greene, Bruce Conway, John Hull, Mike Tebow, April Canchola, Max Springer, Carol Millsap, Gary Albers. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator John Rice, City Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Chief of Police Garry Earnest, Treasurer Shari Weldy and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

Approval of Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda for approval and requested a Closed Session be added for Personnel reasons. Alderwoman Canchola made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to amend and approve the agenda as follows:

- Add agenda item #16: Closed Session - Vote to close a portion of the meeting pursuant to RSMo, Section 610.021(3) Personnel Issues.

Motion carried.

Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2009 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Millsap to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Comments of Visitors.

Mayor Eden requested any comments from visitors. None brought forward.

Ordinances.

Bill No. 2009-0012 re: An ordinance rescinding Ordinance 1.245 passed on April 14, 2009 and supporting an application for an Enhanced Enterprise Zone and establishing the Board for the Mount Vernon Enhanced Enterprise Zone was read twice by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

1st reading:

AYES: Greene, Conway, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

2nd reading:

AYES: Greene, Conway, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2009-0012 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2009-0012 thus became Ordinance No. 1.247.

Bill No. 2009-0013 re: An ordinance prohibiting parking on portions of Main Street between the Square and North Street and amending the Municipal Code, Chapter 390, Schedule III, “Parking Restrictions” was read twice by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

1st reading:

AYES: Greene, Conway, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

2nd reading:

AYES: Greene, Conway, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2009-0013 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2009-0013 thus became Ordinance No. 12.63.

City Administrator Report.

Rice held discussion on the following items:

- Rental House. Reported the rental house located at 10285 Hwy. 39 had several leaks which would require repairs to the roof. Rice noted he is in the process of requesting estimates for repair. Rice requested the Board consider selling the house and 23 acres. Rice noted the appraisal value is \$138,000.00. Discussion was held.
- Airport Grant. Reported will be presenting an ordinance at the next Board meeting in regards to the contract for the Airport Grant with MoDot.
- Swimming Pool. Held discussion on replacement of an unsafe diving board at the Municipal swimming pool. Rice noted the Park Committee recommended the replacement of the diving board. Alderman Springer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Conway to allow purchase of a new diving board for \$3,000.00 and to amend the budget for this line item closer to the end of the fiscal year. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Green, Conway, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: Hull

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

- New Industrial Park. Reported engineering fees for the New Industrial Park would cost approximately \$40,000.00. Rice noted he has been researching stimulus money and he

has found the stimulus monies are being allotted to MoDot and schools, not smaller municipalities.

- Revenue Projection. Held discussion regarding the revenue projection.

Treasurer Report.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills to be paid. Presented bills to be paid. Discussion was held. Alderman Conway made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Canchola to approve bills to be paid as presented. The following roll call vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Conway

ABSENT: None

Motion carried.

Public Works Report.

Due to absence of Director of Public Works, no report was submitted.

Planning and Zoning Report.

Due to absence of Director of Public Works, no report was submitted.

Police Report.

Earnest held discussion on the following items:

- Fines. Held discussion on the increase in traffic fines.
- Stimulus Funds. Discussed the use of stimulus monies for state police and larger municipalities.
- DWI Enforcement Campaign. Reported officers would be participating in the DWI Enforcement campaign during the weekend of May 1 and 2. Earnest reported the overtime would be paid by MoDot.
- MOCIC Resource Sharing. Reported the Police Department had applied and has been accepted by the Mid States Organized Crime Information Center (MOCIC) after a long application process and background check. Earnest noted the officers are currently using the resource.
- Crime Scene Investigator Certification Program. Reported Officers David Hubert and Jason Lacey have participated in and completed the Crime Scene Investigator Certification Program. Earnest noted the Missouri State Prosecutor is requesting this be completed by all police officers. Earnest reported other officers are scheduled to attend the class at a later date.

Committee Reports.

- *Airport.* Alderman Greene reported the City Hangar had wind damage to the tin siding and the Public Works Department had made the repairs.

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- *Finance.* Alderman Springer reported the committee had met on Monday, April 27, 2009 for budget hearings. Alderman Springer noted the next budget hearing meeting is scheduled for May 4, 2009 at 5:30 p.m.
- *Parks.* Alderman Tebow reported the pool would be open on May 26, 2009.
- *Personnel.* Alderwoman Canchola reported the committee had met on Tuesday, April 28, 2009.
- *Public Works/Streets.* Alderman Hull noted the committee has not met, but would be scheduling a meeting.

Old Business.

Mayor Eden requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

New Business.

Mayor Eden recommended the appointment of Louis Woody to fill a vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Board. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Canchola to accept the Mayor's appointment of Louis Woody on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion carried.

Closed Session.

Alderwoman Canchola made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to adjourn to close a portion of the meeting pursuant to RSMo, Section 610.021(3) Personnel Issues. The following roll call vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Conway, Hull, Tebow, Canchola, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Motion carried, meeting adjourned for Closed Session at 7:34 p.m.

Reconvene Meeting.

Meeting reconvened at 8:06 p.m. Mayor Eden requested any other items to be discussed. None brought forward. Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to adjourn meeting. Motion carried, meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Shannon Neely, City Clerk