

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2016.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting at the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David W. Eden with the following roll call recorded: J.N. Greene, Craig Nelson, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Kathy Fairchild, Sandy Martin and Sue Lee. Absent: Jason Haymes. The following city personnel was also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Treasurer Shari Weldy, Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

Guests registering their attendance are listed on the sign-in sheet attached to and made a part of the minutes.

Approval of Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the agenda with the following amendment:

- City Administrator Report. Add discussion on Wal-Mart
Add discussion on surplus items at 600 N. Main Street

With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the March 8, 2016 meeting to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the minutes as presented. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Martin

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Lee

ABSENT: Haymes

With all present members voting, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden requested discussion on a letter received from Tripper Jensen regarding improvements to the golf course. Mr. Jensen was in attendance of the meeting and read his letter to the Board. Discussion was held.

Audit for the 2015 Year.

Rebecca Friedrich, auditor for KPM, CPA's presented the audit results for the year 2015 to the Board and noted the city received an unmodified or "clean" opinion. Ms. Friedrich thanked staff for assistance during the process.

Ordinance.

Bill No, 2016-005 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.070 adopting zoning district map was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Martin, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Martin, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes

Bill No. 2016-005 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2016-005 thus became Ordinance Number 2.179.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- 2016 Paving Schedule. Springer presented a proposed paving schedule and reported the cost would be approximately \$255,218.25. At this point, Alderman Haymes arrived at the meeting. Springer noted Phase One of the paving project would consist of all streets in the Mar-Dee-Cal Subdivision and the Rutledge Subdivision, which would include Gibbs Street, Roberts Drive, Jeanne Drive, Jennifer Drive, Itascha Street and Rutledge Drive, beginning the first part of April. Phase Two would include all of Thurman Street, from Landrum to McCause; McCause from Mount Vernon Blvd. to Alice Street; Seneker Avenue, David Road, Kevin Avenue and Woodlawn Avenue and would not include Stephen Drive, as it was paved a few years ago and is in good shape. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to proceed with proposed project. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- 911 Dispatch Services. Springer reported he has requested a written proposal for dispatch services from the City of Aurora and should receive a response by next meeting. Discussion was held.
- Workers' Comp Insurance. Springer presented a quote for workers compensation coverage from Missouri Employers Mutual (MEM) and current billing from Missouri Rural Services (MRS). Springer noted the Missouri Rural Services quote was \$3,147.00 less than MEM, but have had some issues with treatment of staff from MRS and requested direction from the Board. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to accept quote from Missouri Employers Mutual. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Land Clearing Bid. Springer reported he would begin the bid process for clearing of city property, located at 995 Daniel Drive, which consists of approximately 29 acres. Springer noted he would not include the area the buried tires were discovered until he can find a solution for the disposal of the tires. Discussion was held.
- Field #4 Scoreboard Controller. Springer reported the youth baseball league has declined purchasing an additional controller for Field #4 scoreboard, as the league feels the city should make the purchase. Alderman Nelson noted the Park Committee had made it clear to the baseball league and the school that they would have to come to an agreement on the scoreboard and controller and the city would not be involved.
- Golf Course. Springer thanked Mr. Jensen again for his discussion on the golf course.
- Recycling. Springer reported he has advertised for an attendant at the recycling center and was having a very difficult time finding someone who is willing to work only three hours on the second and fourth Saturday of each month. Springer also held discussion on the abuse of disposing incorrect items in the paper bins, plastics not being properly prepared and noted the majority of users are from out-of-town. Springer added costs for bins and part-time employee wages are approximately \$4,000.00 per year. Alderwoman Lee noted she currently pays less for her trash service by participating in curbside recycling noting there are options for recycling to the citizens. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to discontinue city-provided recycling. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Discussion was held regarding single-service trash agreement with Mayor Eden directing Petrus to research the two-year notice which is required.
- Wal-Mart Agreement. Springer reported final payment has been paid for the Wal-Mart improvements agreement.
- 600 N. Main Surplus Inventory. Springer requested the Board direct him regarding the surplus inventory at 600 N. Main Street. Springer noted these items have to be removed from the facility before IFI's target date of December 31, 2016 and suggested selling in bulk on Gov.com, with older, collectible items to be sold at an auction. Discussion was held with Mayor Eden determining it is a consensus of the Board to proceed with both options and to prepare a Request for Qualifications for an auctioneer.

Treasurer Report.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills Paid. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Taxi Driver. Weldy reported she has received notice from part-time driver Mary-Beth Everly that due to other obligations she will no longer be able to drive the taxi-bus, but will remain on until a replacement is found. Weldy requested permission to proceed with advertising the vacancy. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Other Items of Discussion. Weldy noted due to audit adjustments she was unable to present the February Treasurer report until the first meeting in April.

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Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following item:

- 2016 Paving. Stanton thanked the Board for approval of the 2016 paving project.
- Spring Clean-up. Stanton reminded the Board the Spring Clean-up would be held on Friday, April 15, 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 16 2016 from 7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Stanton added the city would be unable to take any electronics due to no means of disposal. Discussion was held.

Code Enforcement.

Conway reported he had not items to discuss but welcomed any questions. Mayor Eden requested discussion on a building project on Thurman Avenue.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Training. Hubert reported officers received electrical awareness training at Ozark Electric Co-op on March 15, 2016 and that it was a very informative training for officers.
- DWI Enforcement Grant. Hubert reported the department received and participated in a St. Patrick's Day DWI Enforcement grant, which resulted in no DWI related arrests.
- Additional Items of Discussion. Alderwoman Lee asked if Hubert had seen a post on a Facebook site regarding methamphetamine.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. DeLay reported the department has received two calls since last report.
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance. DeLay reported maintenance was performed on vehicles and equipment. DeLay added annual pump inspections would begin March 28, 2016.
- Training. DeLay reported the department participated in Pipeline Response training on March 16, 2016 and S.C.B.A. Practical on March 17, 2016. Discussion was held.
- Community Activities. DeLay reported KY-3 has invited members of the Fire Department to participate on a call panel to answer questions on installation of fire extinguishers. Discussion was held.

New Business.

Mayor Eden requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. The following items were discussed:

- Alderman Greene requested clarification on single-service trash service for the city. Discussion was held.
- Springer reported with closing of the reimbursement account for the 2014 COP, the remaining \$253,223.70 is being applied to the interest payments, which will end in approximately five years leaving the city with no payments until that time. Springer requested permission to set aside the same amount that would have been paid in March and September of each year when payment is normally due and to direct it into a Restricted Debt Account within the city's accounting system. Springer noted this will allow the city to have money set aside for the principal amount when due in March, 2024. The following is amount requested:

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Interest payment amount	\$24,720.00
Bond	<u>500.00</u>
Total amount set aside	\$25,220.00

A lengthy discussion was held. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to proceed with request for fund allocation. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Old Business.

Mayor Eden requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion.

- Alderman Nelson requested discussion regarding complaints from members of the Fire Department regarding the dispatching service. Alderman Nelson described several incidents in which the department was sent to a wrong location and added when reviewing dispatching in the next few months to require a mapping service also. DeLay noted he has met with the Emergency Management manager to discuss the issues. Alderwoman Fairchild requested Fire staff begin documenting all incidents for the Board of Aldermen to review.
- Alderman Phillips requested discussion on the feasibility study and if there would be any additional presentations for the Board. Springer noted there would be a presentation at the first meeting in April. Discussion was held.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date