

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City hall, on Tuesday, March 26, 2013 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, John Hull, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Gary Albers, Barbara Rubison, Carol Millsap. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police Garry Earnest, Firefighter Leon Sullivan 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.

Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the agenda as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 were presented to the Board for approval. Aldermen Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to approve the minutes as presented. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Hull

ABSENT: None

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

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden announced this portion of the meeting is set aside for participation from the public and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

Resolutions.

Bill No. (R)2013-005 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri supporting the display of the national motto "In God We Trust" in the City of Mount Vernon Council Chambers in a prominent location above the seal, was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. (R)2013-005 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2013-005 thus became Resolution No. (R)2013-005.

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Bill No. (R)2013-006 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with the Mount Vernon R-5 School District regarding assignment of officers to the school district properties during remainder of 2012-13 school year was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill NO. (R)2013-006 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2013-006 thus became Resolution No. (R)2013-006.

Ordinances.

Bill No. 2013-006 re: Second reading of an ordinance vacating portions of a certain utility easement granted by Max and Jeannine Dawson on November 29, 2004, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2013-006 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2013-006 thus became Ordinance No. 13.88.

Bill No. 2013-007 re: Second reading of an ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Chapter 210.030, 210.040 and 210.080 regarding animals impounded, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN; None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2013-007 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2013-007 thus became Ordinance No. 3.44.

Bill No. 2013-008 re: First reading of an ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 400.010 regarding terms of members of the Planning and Zoning Commission was read once, by title only, with the following roll call recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2013-008 was declared passed for the first reading and with the approval, to proceed to second reading, which will be held on April 9, 2013.

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Bill No. 2013-009 re: First reading of an ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 420.230 regarding the number of members of the Board of Adjustment, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2013-009 was declared passed for the first reading and with the approval, to proceed to second reading, which will be held on April 9, 2013.

Bill No. 2013-010 re: An ordinance authorizing execution of a contract by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, a Municipal Corporation, and Anderson Engineering, Inc. for engineering services related to Hickory Street sidewalk improvements, was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Second Reading:

AYES; Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2013-010 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2013-010 thus became Ordinance No. 14.230.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Waste Disposal Bid. Presented the bid tab for Bid Number 2013-02, trash services for city facilities. Discussion was held. Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Millsap to award bid to Doty Trash Services. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Depository Bid. Presented the bid tab for Depository Services for city monies. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison to award the bid to Liberty Bank. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Nelson

ABSENT: None

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- Life Bridge Assembly Lease. Presented a letter from Life Bridge Assemblies requesting an extension of their lease at The MARC on a monthly basis, until June, 2013, at which time they plan on being in their new building. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to grant request and for rent to remain at \$500.00 per month. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Planning & Zoning Commission. Presented an application for voluntary service on committees from Edward Kimbler to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mayor Eden recommended the appointment of Mr. Kimbler to the position. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Nelson to accept Mayor appointment. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Kimbler

ABSENT: None

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

- School Zone Flasher Update. Reported the pedestal and conduit for the flashers are in and weather permitting, the city portion of the work will be completed.
- Sidewalk Project Update. Reported the invitations have been sent out to property owners on the East side of Hickory Street and contracts have been authorized by Bill (R)2013-010. Springer noted the invitations to the public discussion will be held on Friday, April 5, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the council chambers.
- Investments. Requested the Board give direction for an electric certificate of deposit which matured on March 24, 2013 for \$75,681.40 at Mid Missouri Bank. Springer noted the budget for economic development was very limited and requested the Board consider using this money in a checking account at Liberty Bank for expenses in economic development. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to begin open a checking account for Economic Development with \$75,681.40 seed money from matured certificate of deposit and to amend the budget to reflect the following changes: 10-1-105 Economic Development Checking Account, 41-5-410-910 Electric Transfer Out, 10-4-431 General Transfer In. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Community Garden. Presented a request from a local Girl Scout troop to install a community garden. Discussion was held, with suggestions to use Seneker Street lot which became empty with the tear-down of the dangerous building, or property behind The MARC. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to use 608 Seneker Avenue. After much discussion Alderwoman Millsap withdrew her motion until an alternative location can be found. Alderman Kimbler agreed to withdraw his second.
- Police Car. Reported Ford Company and Ingle Automotive's insurance company are in disagreement over replacement costs of the disable vehicle. Springer noted the insurance company has agreed to total the car for \$5,963.00, with a salvage value at \$1,681.40. Alderwoman Rubison made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to proceed with purchase of vehicle at salvage value and continue with Ingle replacing the motor.

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- Crowder College. Springer announced Crowder College would be celebrating their 50th anniversary on April 2, 2013, in Neosho, MO with invitations for the Board of Aldermen to attend the celebration if they wished.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Presented bills paid report to the Board and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Investment Bids. Reported CDARs Water account for \$102,484.13 and CDARs Special Sales Tax account for \$204,968.24 would be maturing on April 11, 2013, but would need direction for investment of the accounts before noon on April 9, 2013. Weldy noted these accounts were invested for one year at 0.35% interest rate, but would drop to 0.10% rate after April 11, 2013. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to close CDARS account and deposit at Liberty Bank for 0.25% interest rate in special sales tax and water accounts. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- February Treasurer Report. Presented the February report and requested any discussion. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to approve the report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- SRF Reimbursement Request. Presented a request for reimbursement from HDR Engineering for final payment from the State Revolving Funds for \$4,035.94. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison ordering the Mayor to sign-off for \$4,035.94 as requested. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Water System Leaks. Received the survey from Westrum Leak Detection which pinpointed five leaks in the system. Discussion was held.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- Chickens. Reported the Planning and Zoning Commission will hold public discussion on Tuesday, April 2, 2013 for input from residents on keeping chickens.
- Life Bridge Assembly Update. Reported the framing is complete and work continues on construction of the facility.

Police.

Earnest held discussion on the following items:

- New Patrol Car Update. Installation of equipment has begun on the new police car, which includes lights and cage so that vehicle can be put into service soon.
- Radio Grant. Attended a grant meeting in Springfield which would allow the city to purchase portable radios. Earnest noted he was unsure if the city will qualify for the

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grant, but would pursue for any available monies although the time-frame for application is very short.

- Relax Inn Robbery. Have received a few leads related to the case, but will continue investigations.
- Robbery. Reported an officer recently was investigating a suspicious character, which then lead to an arrest for possession of weapons and various antiques from a local residence. Earnest noted the property owner was unaware of the thefts when contacted by the department.

Fire.

Sullivan held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. Reported one call at 1206 Industrial Drive for an alarm.
- Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance. Maintenance has been conducted on all trucks and equipment.
- Training. Regular training was conducted on March 12, 2013.

Committee Reports.

Airport. Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.

Finance. Alderwoman Millsap reported the committee has not met.

Parks. Alderman Hull reported the committee has not met.

Personnel. Alderman Albers reported the committee has not met.

Public Works/Streets. Alderman Phillips reported the committee has not met.

The MARC/Community Center. Alderwoman Millsap reported the committee has not met.

New Business.

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

Old Business.

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

Closed Session.

Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler 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, Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison, Millsap

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 8:20 p.m.

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Reconvene.

Meeting reconvened from Closed Session at 8:35 p.m. Mayor Eden requested any other discussion. None brought forth.

Adjourn.

Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to adjourn meeting. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date