

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018.

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, June 12, 2018 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, Sherie Thrasher, Steve Fairchild and Sue Lee. Absent: Jason Haymes and Sandy Martin. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Counselor William Petrus, Jr., Director of Public Works Joe Kelley, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police David Hubert 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.

Presentation of Agenda.

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

- Public Works Report. Move Tennis Courts discussion from Public Works Report to follow Citizen Participation and before Bill No. 2018-015.
- City Administrator Report. Add: Temporary Office help discussion

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

Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the May 22, 2018 meeting to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to approve minutes as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden announced this portion of the meeting is set aside to receive input from those in attendance and requested if anyone wished to address the Board.

- Cheryl Wilson and Marsha Starks approached the podium and held discussion on feral cats in the city and what actions can be taken to reduce the problem. Ms. Wilson and Ms. Starks requested endorsement from the city to locate feeding stations, pursue spay/neuter programs and possible financial assistance. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden noted the city endorses a feral cat control program.

Tennis Courts.

Kelley held a discussion before presentation of Bill No. 2018-015 for an agreement with Gerald Perry Tennis Company, Inc. to repair, patch, resurface tennis courts, install netting and line two (2) basketball courts. Kelley presented a contract extension from the City of Springfield for Bid #031-2015 for tennis court repairs and noted it allows a piggy-back option for the city to use quoted prices from the agreement. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to proceed with tennis court repairs with Gerald Perry Tennis

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Company, Inc. for \$39,750.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Ordinance.

Bill No. 2018-015 re: An ordinance authorizing execution of an agreement by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Gerald Perry Tennis Company, Inc. for repairs and maintenance of tennis courts was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes,

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes

Bill No. 2018-015 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2018-015 thus became Ordinance Number 14.289.

Bill No. 2018-016 re: An ordinance authorizing execution of a real estate contract by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Glen and Barbara Clapp, co-trustees of the Clapp Revocable Trust u/d/t March 20, 1991 for purchase of real property was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes, Martin

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes, Martin

Bill No. 2018-016 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2018-016 thus became Ordinance Number 14.290.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer presented the sales tax revenue report and held discussion.

- Microbrewery. Springer presented a request from Patrick Little asking the Board to consider placing a provision to allow alcohol by the drink on the November ballot. Springer noted Mr. Little is in the planning stage of opening a micro-brewery or taproom. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with process to place liquor by the drink on the November 2018 ballot. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Pole-attachment Agreement. Springer presented a request from Empire District Electric Company to allow a pole-attachment agreement with the city for installation of fiber optic. Springer noted the agreement would include attachment to forty-seven (47) poles at a fee of \$7.40 per pole. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden determined it was the consensus of the Board to proceed with an ordinance allowing a pole-attachment agreement with Empire.
- Prevailing Wage. Springer noted the proposed state bill which included prevailing wage was not signed by the governor, but anticipates doing so by the next council meeting. Discussion was held.
- Copier Lease/Purchase. Springer requested the Board give direction on purchase or lease of copy machine used at City Hall. Springer reported the machine can be purchased for \$4,500.00 but would require the city purchase an additional maintenance agreement to cover copy costs, toner and maintenance. Springer added if the city had committed to a lease, the interest rate costs would be \$840.00 over the five year contract. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fairchild to purchase a Toshiba eStudio4505 copy machine from Copy Products, Inc. for \$4,500.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- **Bill No. 2018-013** re: An ordinance authorizing execution of a tax-exempt lease/purchase agreement with U.S. Bank Equipment Finance and Copy Products, Inc. for lease of a copier was not read.
- Request to hire temporary office help. Springer reported Utility Billing Clerk Toni Buttram has fractured her ankle and requested the Board consider use of a PenMac employee at City Hall until Ms. Buttram returns. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve use of Penmac employee. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills Paid. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Bills over five thousand dollars. Weldy requested the Board approve the presented bills over \$5,000.00 for May and June. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve payment of all presented bills over \$5,000.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Investments. Weldy reported several certificate of deposits will be or already have matured and will present a bid tab to the Board at the next meeting.

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Public Works.

Kelley held discussion on the following items:

- Inventory Replacement Request. Kelley requested approval to purchase the following items for inventory replacement used in the installation of a an electric automobile charging station which will be located at Wal-Mart:

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| Metering Rack | \$6,500.00 |
| 1000 KVA Transformer | \$16,693.00 |

Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to proceed with purchase of inventory items as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition (SCADA). Kelley presented a request to proceed with purchase of a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) system for substation #2. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fairchild to proceed with purchase of SCADA system for \$38,100.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- WWTF. Kelley reported on several issue with the Ultraviolet lighting system at the Wastewater Treatment Facility which need additional repairs. Kelley noted some cooling fans were not functioning and a power cord would need replaced. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to approve costs up to \$15,000.00 for repairs at the Wastewater Treatment facility. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- May Statistical Report. Conway presented the May Statistical Report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Planning and Zoning Commission Report. Conway reported the Commission met on Tuesday, June 5, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. and conducted the following business:
 - Set a Public Hearing for Tuesday, July 3, 2018 to allow temporary vendors to purchase a three (3) day permit.
 - Set a Public Hearing for Tuesday, July 3, 2018 to allow for microbreweries

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- May Statistical Report. Hubert presented the May Statistical report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Click-it or Ticket. Hubert reported the department will be participating in a Click-it or Ticket campaign from June 29, 2018 thru July 4, 2018. Discussion was held.
- Request to Hire Employee. Hubert recommended the Board hire Tannya Benitez to fill a vacancy for police officer. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to accept recommendation and proceed with hiring Ms. Benitez. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

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Old Business.

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

New Business.

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

- Petrus reported he would not be in attendance at the June 26, 2018 meeting as he would be on vacation.

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 7:56 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon K. Neely, City Clerk

Date