

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2017.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regular scheduled meeting at the regular place of meeting, City Hall on Tuesday, July 25, 2017 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, Jason Haymes, Lowell Phillips, Kathy Fairchild, Sherie Thrasher and Sue Lee. Absent: Sandy Martin. The following city personnel were also in attendance: Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Treasurer Shari Weldy, Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Director of Public Works-in-Training Joe Kelley, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police Dave Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely. Absent: City Administrator Max Springer.

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

Approval of the Agenda.

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

- Police Report – Add – Request approval to hire Animal Control Officer.

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the Board of Aldermen meeting held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild to approve the 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 citizens in attendance to the meeting and requested if anyone wished to address the Board.

- Mary Duffy requested the Board consider removing center-parking from the square or reconfigure it to accommodate two-way traffic.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Due to the absence of Springer no report was submitted.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- June Treasurer Report. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the June Treasurer Report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

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- Six-month annual Financial Statement. Weldy reported the semi-annual financial statement will be published in the Lawrence County Record on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 as required by City Code, Section 110.100. Discussion was held.

Public Works.

Kelley held discussion on the following items:

- Request to purchase materials for Wastewater Facility. Kelley presented a request to purchase the following items for the Wastewater Facility:
 - 2 – Driveshafts (Replacement Account)
 - 2 – Tailshafts (Replacement Account)
 - Bearings for Driveshaft/tailshaft (two bearings were originally budgeted, two from Replacement Account)
 - Gear Box (budgeted for)
 - Motor (budgeted for)

Alderman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve purchase of listed equipment with spending limit of \$32,000.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Airport Update. Kelley reported cracks have been filled, seal-coat has been applied and striping should be completed by the week of August 1, 2017. Discussion was held.

Code Enforcement.

Conway noted he had nothing to report.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- DWI Enforcement Grant. Hubert reported the department has received a DWI Enforcement Grant for \$700.00 from Missouri Department of Transportation. Hubert noted grant will run from August 18, 2017 thru September 3, 2017. Discussion was held.
- Request to fill vacancy. Hubert recommended the Board hire Anthony Newkirk to fill the Animal Control vacancy. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept recommendation. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Additional Items of Discussion. Hubert invited the Board and citizens to the “National Police Night Out”, scheduled for Tuesday, August 1, 2017 at the Spirit of 76 Park.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. DeLay reported the department has received three calls since last report. Discussion was held.
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance. DeLay reported maintenance has been performed on equipment and vehicles. Discussion was held.
- Training. DeLay reported training was held on July 20, 2017.
- Miscellaneous. DeLay reported the department installed a smoke detector in a residence bringing a total of seventy-four (74) detectors installed in thirty-seven (37) homes.

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New Business.

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

Old Business.

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

- Mayor Eden requested the Board continue discussion regarding complaints from parking on the square. Parking and traffic options were discussed in length by the Board. Mayor Eden directed Stanton to obtain quotes to eliminate striping on the east side of the square and also quotes to eliminate striping on all sides of the square and present the quotes at the August 8, 2017 meeting.
- Mayor Eden requested status of the electric rate study with Toth Engineering with Weldy reporting that information is still being gathered but information is being sent.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon K. Neely, City Clerk

Date