

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JULY 14, 2015.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, July 14, 2015 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, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Kathy Fairchild, Barbara Rubison and Sue Lee. Absent: Craig Nelson and Jason Haymes. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Treasurer Shari Weldy, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely. Absent: Director of Public Works Gene Stanton.

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 amendments:

- City Administrator Report Add - Request from Legal Services of Southwest Missouri
- Treasurer Report Remove - Presentation of June Treasurer Report
 Remove - Six Month Financial Report
- Code Enforcement Add - Naming of New Street
 Add - Discussion of New Restaurant

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

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from Tuesday, June 23, 2015 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, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Lee

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

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

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden announced this portion of the meeting is set aside to receive input from the public and requested any discussion from those in attendance. None brought forth.

Resolution.

Bill No. (R)2015-007 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing the filing of an application with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Small Community Engineering Assistance Program under the Missouri Clean Water Law (Section 644, RSMo) was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Bill No. (R)2015-007 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2015-007 thus became Bill Number (R)2015-007.

Bill No. (R)2015-008 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing entry of a one-year service contract with Fabick Cat for maintenance and service of emergency generators and switch gear at 600 N. Main Street was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Bill No. (R)2015-008 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2015-008 thus became Resolution Number (R)2015-008.

Ordinances.

Bill No. 2015-025 re: An ordinance authorizing execution of a contract by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, a municipal corporation, and Trekk Design Group, LLC for engineering services related to Phase II Sanitary Sewer evaluation was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Bill No. 2015-025 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2015-025 thus became Ordinance Number 14.249.

Bill No. 2015-026 re: An ordinance authorizing execution of a contract by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, a municipal corporation, and Trekk Design Group, LLC for engineering services related to a wastewater facility plan, was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Nelson, Haymes

Bill No. 2015-026 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2015-026 thus became Ordinance Number 14.250.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer presented the sales tax report and noted revenues have increased by 12.97% for the month and 26.312% for the year.
- Negotiations with Veterans Administration. Springer reported he will be meeting with representatives from the Veterans Administration to review contract for space leased at 600 N. Main Street. Springer added the final contract may not be presented to the Board for approval until August.
- McCanse Street Culvert.
 - Change Order #2. Springer presented Change Order Number Two which consist of connecting the culvert to the existing pavement, increase the length of rock blanket and concrete the ditch/slope area, with cost of change order \$3,635.51. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison to approve payment of Change Order Number Two as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
 - Final Pay Request. Springer presented a Final Pay request from Leo Journagan Construction for \$72,786.18 for completion of the McCanse Street culvert. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison to proceed with final payment to Leo Journagan Construction Company for McCanse Street culvert project. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Task Order for Architect Services. Springer requested the Board approve a task order for architect services through Anderson Engineering to draw up specifics for installation of an elevator at The MARC. Springer noted the installation of the project was budgeted for but did not include additional money for architectural services. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison approving request to proceed with task order for architectural services, not to exceed \$6, 300.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

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- Rate Study. Springer presented a proposal from Allgeier Martin & Associates to perform a rate study and provide a template for calculating electrical rates for a cost of \$12,000.00. Discussion was held with a consensus of the Board to not pursue.
- Reyco Metering Up-grade. Springer requested authorization from the Board to purchase materials to upgrade electric metering equipment at Reyco-Granning at a cost of \$6,500.00. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Rubison made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with purchase of materials for upgrading electric metering equipment. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Transformer Purchase. Springer requested authorization from the Board to purchase ten 15 KVA transformers at a cost of \$7,350.00. Alderwoman Rubison made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with purchase of ten 15 KVA transformers at \$7,500.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Red, White and Boom. Springer thanked the committee and staff who volunteered during the event.
- Spirit of 76 Park –Field #4
 - Scoreboard. Springer presented a request from Mount Vernon High School Baseball Coach, Nick Swillum, to replace the current scoreboard on Field #4. Swillum noted donations collected during fundraisers will be used to pay for the new scoreboard. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison granting request to proceed with installation of new scoreboard. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
 - Backstop. Springer presented a request for the city to share in costs to replace the backstop on Field #4. Springer noted the total cost is \$9,000.00, with the city's expected cost-share at \$3,000.00. Mr. Swillum noted the school has received monetary donations during fundraisers for their share of the costs. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison to proceed with backstop replacement on Field #4, with city cost share not to exceed \$3,000.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Request to purchase dirt. Springer presented a request to purchase \$5,000.00 of black dirt. Springer noted this item is budgeted for, but due to amount of cost exceeding policy amount, the city must have Board approval for purchase. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to proceed with purchase of black dirt for use by the Public Works departments. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Emergency Management. Springer requested the Board appoint Chief of Police David Hubert as Emergency Management Director. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild granting request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Legal Services of Southwest Missouri. Springer presented a request from Legal Services of Southwest Missouri for use of four rooms at 600 N. Main Street to provide legal services to veterans that cannot afford otherwise. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to grant request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following item:

- Bills. Weldy presented the Bills paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Conway presented the June statistical report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Planning and Zoning Commission Update. Conway reported the Planning & Zoning Commission met on Tuesday, July 7, 2015 and held discussion on rezoning of West Water Street. Conway noted it was a consensus of the commission agreeing additional time and information would be needed before any decision is made. Conway noted the Commission also began discussion and review of the Comprehensive Plan.
- Naming Street. Conway requested the Board determine a name for a new street. Conway recommended it should be one continuous street, beginning at Orscheln's, located on East Mount Vernon Boulevard, (Business Highway 39) and ending at First Church of the Nazarene. Discussion was held. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild naming the requested section of street as Schweiger Drive. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- New Restaurant. Conway reported he has issued a certificate of occupancy to a new restaurant, El Patron, located at 109 S. Market Street.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- June Statistic Report. Hubert presented the June statistic report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Range Qualifications. Hubert reported all officers in the Police Department attended and passed range qualifications for rifle and sidearms on June 26, 2015.
- School Resource Officer. Hubert reported Officer Cornell attended the School Resource Officer Conference in Osage Beach, Missouri from June 28, 2015 thru July 3, 2015.
- National Night Out. Hubert invited Board members and the public to the annual National Police Night Out on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the Spirit of 76 Park. Hubert noted he has received a donation of fifty backpacks filled with school supplies to hand out along with a donation of a bicycle. Discussion was held.
- Department Vacancy. Hubert requested permission to advertise for vacancy. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to proceed with advertisement for police officer position in the local newspaper. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Training. DeLay reported training would be held on July 16, 2015.

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- Miscellaneous. DeLay reported the department was on standby for the following fireworks shows:
 - Mount Vernon Place Care – July 2, 2015
 - Red, White and Boom – July 3, 2015
- DeLay noted the department has begun the annual Muscular Dystrophy Boot Drive with collections thus far totaling \$1,500.00.

New Business.

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

- Discussion was held regarding a letter suggesting a portion of Hickory Street be known as “Veterans Way”, or something similar.

Old Business.

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

- Springer announced Orscheln’s will hold a soft opening during the first part of August and a Grand Opening in October. Discussion was held.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden declared with no other business listed on the agenda the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date