

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI, HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City hall, on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David W. Eden, with the following Aldermen present: J.N. Greene, John Hull, Mike Tebow, Max Springer, Carol Millsap and Gary Albers. Absent: April Canchola. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator John Rice, City Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Chief of Police Garry Earnest, Treasurer Shari Weldy and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

Alderman Resignation.

Mayor Eden announced Alderman Bruce Conway had submitted his resignation and the Mayor had accepted it.

Alderman Appointment.

Mayor Eden presented his appointment for the vacancy of Bruce Conway for Ward One to be Chet Hunter. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Springer to accept the Mayor appointment of Chet Hunter to fill vacancy in Ward One. Motion carried.

Oath of Office.

City Clerk Neely administered the oath of office to Chet Hunter.

Roll Call.

Mayor Eden requested Neely call for roll. The following Aldermen answered roll call: Greene, Hunter, Hull, Tebow, Springer, Millsap and Albers. Absent: Canchola.

Approval of Agenda.

Mayor Eden requested the agenda be approved. Director of Public Works Stanton requested Bill No. (R)2009-0006 be moved from agenda item number ten to the Public Works Report. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hull to approve agenda with item no. ten moved to the Public Works Report. Motion carried.

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on April 28, 2009 was presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Springer to approve the minutes as presented. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Hull, Tebow, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Hunter

ABSENT: Canchola

Motion carried.

Comments of Visitors.

Mayor Eden requested any comments from visitors. None brought forward.

Airport Request – Brian Wolford

Brian Wolford, owner of Freefall Express requested the Board grant him permission to erect a tent on the east side of his hanger for his Father's Day event at the Mt. Vernon Municipal Airport. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to grant permission for erection of tent on east side of Freefall Express for June 18, 19, 20 and 21, 2009. Motion carried.

Liquor License Request.

Mayor Eden presented a request for liquor license at Relics Antique Mall, LLC, located at 1001 Daniel Drive for Intoxicating Liquor, Original Package and Sunday Sales, Intoxicating Liquor, Original Package. Chief of Police Earnest reported he had conducted a background check and could find no felonies. Petrus reported the location was properly zoned and the request does not conflict with city ordinances. Petrus requested the Board allow license to be a fourteen month license, due to the City Clerk currently in the renewal process for liquor licenses. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to grant Relics Antique Mall, LLC fourteen month liquor licenses for Intoxicating Liquor, Original Package and Sunday Sales Intoxicating Liquor, Original Package for fourteen months. Motion carried.

Ordinance.

Bill No. 2009-0014 re: An ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of Mount Vernon and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission providing for improvements to the runway at the Mt. Vernon Municipal Airport was read twice by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

1st reading:

AYES: Hunter, Hull, Tebow, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: Greene

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Canchola

2nd reading:

AYES: Hunter, Hull, Tebow, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: Greene

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Canchola

Bill No. 2009-0014 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2009-0014 thus became Ordinance No. 14.217.

City Administrator Report.

Rice held discussion on the following items:

- Budget. Reported revenues were short by approximately \$186,000.00, although May numbers were only short of last year's revenue by approximately \$500.00.

- Emergency Management Director. Requested the Board consider naming Earnest as the Emergency Management Director. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hull to name Chief of Police Garry Earnest as the Emergency Management Director. Motion carried.
- Missouri Municipal League Legislative Wrap-up meeting. Reminded Aldermen of the upcoming Legislative Wrap-up Dinner, hosted by Missouri Municipal League, on June 4, 2009.

Treasurer Report.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Presentation of Bills to be paid. Presented a request for bills to be paid. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve bills presented to be paid. Motion carried.
- Budget Amendment. Requested to amend the budget to reflect the following changes: Wastewater transfer in, account 48-4-431 for \$197,750.00, move to Water transfer in, account 47-4-431 for \$197,750.00. Alderman Springer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to amend the original budget for Wastewater Transfer In, account 48-4-431, to reflect a zero balance and to move the \$197,750.00 from that account to Water Transfer In, account 47-4-431. Motion carried.
- CDARS. Reported the first CDARS thirteen week program matures on May 21, 2009 and requested if the Board wished to continue with the program. The Board consented unanimously to remain with the CDARS program.

Public Works Report.

Stanton held discussion on the following items.

- Substation #3. Reported Toth Engineering solicited for bids for the assembly of steel at Substation No. Three, with recommendations for B & L Electric, Inc. as lowest bidder for \$724,738.12. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden read the following resolution for approval.

Bill No. (R)2009-0006 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri accepting the proposal of B & L Electric, Inc. for construction of electrical substation #3 was read once by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

1st reading:

AYES: Greene, Hunter, Hull, Tebow, Springer, Millsap,

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Albers

ABSENT: Canchola

Bill No. (R)2009-0006 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2009-0006 thus became Resolution No. (R)2009-0006.

- Electrical Upgrade. Reported Razz Electric is no longer providing service due to a filed bankruptcy. Stanton noted approximately \$170,000.00 remains in account 41-5-410-013, Electrical Upgrades, and requests permission to bid out and use \$100,000.00 for

remaining work on a per hour basis for this fiscal year. Stanton reported he would send out packets to Precision Electronics, Davis H. Elliott and BBC. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to allow \$100,000.00 from 41-5-410-013 Electrical Upgrades account for electrical upgrade work to complete this fiscal year. Motion carried.

- Spring Clean-up. Reported the Spring Clean-up had been held with positive feed-back from the community. Stanton noted only fourteen appliances were turned in compared to forty-four last year.

Police Report.

Earnest held discussion on the following items:

- April Activity Report. Reported the number of calls were increasing.
- DWI Enforcement. Discussed police officers participated in the DWI Enforcement program, held May 1, 2 and 3rd. Earnest noted approximately twenty hours of over-time was turned in by City officers, which will be paid by the state.

Committee Reports.

Mayor Eden requested Committee reports be presented.

Airport. Alderman Greene noted he had nothing to report.

Finance. Alderman Springer reported the committee would have a final budget meeting on Monday, May 18, 2009 to conclude budget hearing and would be presenting a preliminary budget at the next council meeting.

Parks. Alderman Tebow noted he had nothing to report.

Personnel. Due to the absence of Alderwoman Canchola, no report was submitted.

Public Works/Streets. Alderman Hull reported he would be scheduling a meeting at a later date.

Old Business.

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

- Petrus reported the City of Purdy, Missouri had been found guilty of stacked sales tax.

New Business.

Mayor Eden requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. The following item was brought forward:

- Alderman Albers requested the Board to consider naming a street in the new industrial park after Paul Morris.

Adjournment.

Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.