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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI, HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2010.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall on Tuesday, October 12, 2010 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, John Hull, Mike Tebow, April Mieswinkel, Max Springer, Carol Millsap, Gary Albers. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator John Rice, Attorney William Petrus, Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police Garry Earnest, Treasurer Shari Weldy and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

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

Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderwoman Mieswinkel made a motion, seconded by Alderman Springer to approve the agenda with the following amendment: Remove Item No. XIV. Closed Session, RSMo, Section 610.021(1) Litigation, RSMo, Section 620.021(2) Real Estate and RSMo, Section 610.021(3) Personnel Issues. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, September 28, 2010 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the minutes as presented. The following voice vote was recorded:

AYES: Greene, Phillips, Tebow, Mieswinkel, Springer, Millsap, Albers

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Hull

ABSENT: None

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

Comments of Visitors.

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

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Rice held discussion on the following items:

- CIP. Requested any discussion or changes for the CIP list and directed Petrus to proceed with a resolution to present at the next council meeting.
- Budget Meeting Schedule. Reported the Finance Committee had made a change of meeting time for the scheduled meeting on Monday, October 25, 2010. Scheduled time of meeting was at 5:30 p.m., but would be moved an hour ahead to 4:30 p.m.
- Fire Chief Position. Rice requested permission to post the position of full time Fire Chief. Assistant Fire Chief Brad Delay spoke on behalf of the volunteer fire fighters.

Delay suggested the full time position be reconsidered. After discussion, Mayor Eden requested a representative of the fire department be present for every meeting of the Board of Aldermen. Delay agreed. No further action was taken.

- FERC Ruling. Rice reported he has not received a ruling to date.
- Sealing/Striping City Square. Requested a Public Works meeting to discuss striping of the square. After much discussion, Rice reported he would schedule the meeting at a later date.
- Sales Tax Revenue. Reported sales tax revenue was up by 11% from last year.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Presented a report of bills that have been paid.
- September Treasurer Report. Presented the September report for approval. Alderman Springer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hull to approve the report as presented. With all members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Investments. Requested direction of investment of a Federal Home Loan Mortgage Bond from Edward Jones that will be called on Friday, October 15, 2010. Alderwoman Millsap made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hull to roll the called Bond for \$100,000.00 into the money market account at Edward Jones. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Scheduled Outage. Reported Empire District Electric Company had performed work on the sub-station on Tuesday, October 5, 2010, which was planned for an hour, but due to difficulties, the outage lasted all night. Stanton noted they would attempt work again later in the night, Tuesday, October 12, 2010.
- Apple Butter Making Days. Reported the festival went smoothly with no electrical calls or major problems.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- Apple Butter Making Days. Reported he had visited with several squatters during the festival. Conway reported he understood the perspective of the business owner in renting out space to vendors who have not paid fee to the Chamber of Commerce to participate in the festival. Conway requested direction from the Board. Alderman Tebow noted the squatters take away money from civic organizations. Consensus of the Board for Conway to proceed with enforcing ordinance requiring a Vendor permit for squatters.

Police.

Earnest held discussion on the following items:

- September Statistic Report. Presented the statistic report and held discussion.
- Apple Butter Making Days. Reported this festival was the most active with more calls than in previous history, but with no accidents reported.
- Criminal Justice Advisory Committee. Reported he has been chosen to be a member of the MSSU Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, which will determine future training

needs on a state-wide scale. Earnest noted they would also be involved in making state-wide policy changes pertaining to employment and assessment of recruits in the law enforcement field.

- Police Department Web Site. Reported Officer Shawn Cobb was close to completing the Police Department web site and invited the Board to visit it.
- Officer Training. Reported he had sent three officers to training on how to handle the growing problems with individuals who are involved in extreme cage fighting.

Committee Reports.

Airport. Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.

Finance. Alderman Springer reported the committee has met and noted the time change for the October 25, 2010 meeting, from 5:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Parks. Alderman Tebow reported the committee has not met.

Personnel. Alderwoman Mieswinkel reported the committee has not met.

Public Works/Streets. Alderman Hull reported the Rice would be scheduling a meeting.

New Business.

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

Old Business.

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

Adjournment.

Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tebow to adjourn meeting. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



David W. Eden, Mayor

10/26/2010

Date



Shannon Neely, City Clerk

October 26, 2010

Date