

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2011.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, February 8, 2011 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, Mike Tebow, April Mieswinkel, Max Springer, Carol Millsap, Gary Albers. Absent: John Hull. 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, Assistant Fire Chief Brad DeLay, Treasurer Shari Weldy and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Springer made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Millsap to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

- Add discussion by David Padilla as Item No. VI.
- Item No. XX. Closed Session, remove Section 610.021(1) Litigation and 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, January 25, 2011 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderwoman Mieswinkel made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the minutes as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Comments of Visitors.

Mayor Eden requested any comments from visitors. The following discussion was held. Reverend Jack Daniel reported the Mount Vernon Treatment Facility had lost ten beds due to budget cuts from the state and requested the City of Mount Vernon join in support of the facility with the Ministerial Alliance and others. Reverend Daniels discussed how it has made a difference in many young men's lives and the jobs it has provided to local residents.

Dogs Running ^{Loose SN} ~~Loose~~ – David Padilla

David Padilla requested discussion on dogs running loose in his neighborhood. Mr. Padilla reported he has made several complaint calls to the Animal Control Officer and to the Lawrence County Sheriff office. Mayor Eden advised Mr. Padilla to contact Chief Earnest to file a complaint so he may begin the process as covered by the dangerous dog ordinance.

Proclamation.

Mayor Eden presented to the Board a proclamation naming February 7, 2011 thru February 13, 2011 as Ronald McDonald House week.

Resolutions.

Bill No. (R)2011-0002 re: Weldy requested this Bill be postponed until meeting scheduled for February 22, 2011 for approval from Missouri Department of Transportation of proposed policy.

Bill No. (R)2011-0003 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to sign a waiver of liability and hold harmless agreement in favor of the University of Missouri Board of Curators regarding use of MRC for training by the Fire Department was read once by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Hull

Bill No. (R)2011-0003 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2011-0003 thus became Resolution No.(R)2011-0003.

Discussion was held regarding asbestos and lead paint inside the building. DeLay noted most of the training would be with self contained breathing apparatus, so the firefighters would have respiratory protection. Mayor Eden directed Stanton to check on a price for testing the building and surrounding soil for the presence of asbestos and lead paint.

Bill No. (R)2011-0004 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with the commissioners of Lawrence County regarding overpayment of Municipal Court costs in the amount of \$5.00 or less was read once by title only with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Hull

Bill No. (R)2011-0004 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2011-0004 thus became Resolution No.(R)2011-0004.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Rice held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax Revenue. Reported sales tax revenue from December 2010 was up by 20%.
- Budget Procedure Policy. Presented a policy for review and will discuss at next council meeting.
- Social Media Network Policy. Presented a policy for review and will discuss at next council meeting.
- Substance Abuse Policy. Reported he would be updating the current policy.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Requested any questions on report of bills that have been paid. None brought forth.
- January Report. Presented the January Treasurer Report. Alderman Springer made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Snow Storm. Reported the Public Works Department had done a tremendous job on the clean-up of the snow storm. Stanton noted this was largest snow accumulation in sixteen years, making clean-up difficult.

Planning and Zoning.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- January Statistic Report. Presented the Building Permit statistic report for January, 2011.
- February Meeting. Meeting was cancelled due to storm, but will continue with review of the Comprehensive Plan at the March meeting.
- Missouri Statue University. Reported he and Rice would be speaking at the Community Planning class on February 14, 2011.

Police.

Earnest held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Presented the Department Activity report for January, 2011.
- Accidents. Reported the department worked only one accident during the winter storm.
- Vehicle. Ordered a 2011 Crown Victoria from Republic Ford on January 28, 2011.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Presented the statistic report for calls answered in January, 2011.
- Vehicle Maintenance. Presented the Vehicle Maintenance report for January, 2011.
- Training. Reported a training meeting was scheduled for February 18, 2011 for all firemen.

Committee Reports.

Airport. Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.

Finance. Alderman Springer reported the committee has not met.

Parks. Alderman Tebow reported the committee has not met.

Personnel. Alderwoman Mieswinkel reported the committee has not met.

Public Works/Streets. Rice reported the committee has not met.

Waste Franchise. Alderman Albers reported the committee had met earlier in the evening, with members assigned different items to research. Alderman Albers noted they would discuss these items at the next meeting, which is yet to be scheduled.

New Business.

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

Old Business.

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

Closed Session.

Alderswoman Mieswinkel made a motion, seconded by Alderman Springer to close a portion of the meeting, pursuant to RSMo, Section 610.021(2) Real Estate issues. The following roll call vote was recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Hull

With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned to Closed Session at 7:38 p.m.

Reconvene.

Meeting reconvened from Closed Session at 7:59 p.m. Mayor Eden requested any other item to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

Adjournment.

Alderman Tebow made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to adjourn meeting. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:59 p.m.



David W. Eden, Mayor

8.22.11

Date



Shannon Neely, City Clerk

February 22, 2011

Date