

Minutes Approved August 14, 2012

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 24, 2012.**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, July 24, 2012 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, John Hull, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Gary Albers, Barbara Rubison. Absent: Carol Millsap. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Assistant Chief of Police David Hubert, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Assistant Fire Chief Brad DeLay 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. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

- Remove Item No. XIV. Closed Session.

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

Minutes.

The following minutes were presented for approval:

- Public Hearing Minutes – June 26, 2012
- Public Hearing Minutes – July 10, 2012
- Regular Council Minutes – July 10, 2012

Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hull to approve all minutes as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden reported this portion of the meeting is set aside for participation from the public and requested any discussion to be brought to the floor. None brought forth.

Resolutions.

**Bill No. (R)2012-018 re:** A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri accepting the bid of David Buehler, B & B Sealing for cleaning, sealing and striping The MARC parking lot and authorizing commencement of that work was read once by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Nelson, Hull, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison

NOES: Greene

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

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Bill No. (R)2012-018 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2012-018 thus became Resolution No. (R)2012-018.

**Bill No. (R)2012-019 re:** A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing execution of a peak flow voluntary compliance agreement by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Missouri Department of Natural Resources was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill NO. (R)2012-019 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2012-019 thus became Resolution No. (R)2012-019.

**Bill NO. (R)2012-020 re:** A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing execution of an agreement by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Pro Tech Maintenance, LLC for roofing The MARC was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill NO. (R)2012-020 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2012-020 thus became Resolution No. (R)2012-020.

**Bill NO. (R)2012-021 re:** A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing entry of a contract with SimplexGrinnell for installation of a fire suppression system at The MARC was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Phillips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill NO. (R)2012-021 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2012-021 thus became Resolution No. (R)2012-021.

## **Department Reports.**

### City Administrator.

With the absence of Mr. Springer, no report was submitted.

### Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Presented the bills paid report and requested any questions. None brought forth.
- SRF Reimbursement Request. Presented a reimbursement request from SRF (State Revolving Funds) for payment of the following invoices:
  - Insituform Technologies USA - \$126,170.28
  - HDR/Archer Engineers - \$4,549.15

Alderman Albers made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips authorizing Mayor Eden to sign-off on reimbursement request and proceed with payment of invoices. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Utility Write-offs. Requested permission to write-off accounts in utilities for non-payment. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Albers to approve utility write-off for \$2,245.55. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

### Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Sign Program Request. Presented an agreement from Missouri Department of Transportation for the city to participate in signage to recognize the 2012 Mount Vernon high school girl's state basketball championship. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler authorizing Mayor Eden to sign contract and to proceed. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Water Conservation. Reported the water level in the city wells has dropped by 30 feet and requested voluntary water conservation from the citizens. Stanton noted that if the levels drop any further, he would declare mandatory water conservation. Discussion was held.

### Planning and Zoning.

Conway held discussion on the following item:

- Backyard Cottage Committee. Reported a committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 27, 2012 at 5:00 p.m.

### Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- National Night Out. Reminded the Board of the "National Night Out" at the Spirit of 76 Park, scheduled for August 7, 2012, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., with free swim and other activities planned.
- Vacancy. Reported he was in the process of reviewing applications and would begin interviews within the next couple of weeks.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items

- Calls. Reported the department had received one call since last meeting, although the rural department had been extremely busy with large amount of calls due to dry conditions. Mr. DeLay reminded the Board that the city is currently under a burn ban.
- Vehicle Maintenance. Reported a belt was replaced on Engine Number Three.
- Training. Due to large amount of fires, the department has been maintaining trucks and has not conducted any training.
- Bid. Mr. DeLay reported although the City was the highest bidder for the ladder truck at \$70,000.00, the bidding was over due to the bid did not meet the reserve.

Committee Reports.

*Airport.* Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.

*Finance.* Mayor Eden presented the proposed schedule to begin budget meetings and requested any discussion. Consensus of the Board was to proceed with proposed schedule and to post meetings.

*Parks.* Alderman Hull reported the committee has not met.

*Personnel.* Alderman Albers reported the committee has not met.

*Public Works/Streets.* Alderman Phillips reported the committee has not met.

*The MARC/Community Center.* Due the absence of Alderwoman Millsap, no report was submitted.

New Business.

Mayor Eden requested the Board discuss a request from "Today In America", starring Terry Bradshaw on the Discovery Channel, for a five minute segment on topics, trends and issues in Mount Vernon. Mayor Eden noted the segment would air once nationally on the Discover Channel and nineteen times regionally on FOX and ABC broadcast station, with a one-time scheduling fee of \$19,800.00. Discussion was held. Consensus of the Board is to not participate at this time, but may in the future.

Alderman Nelson reported he had been approached from several individuals requesting Disc Golf at the Spirit of 76 Park. Mayor Eden requested the interested individuals contact City Clerk to schedule individuals to be on the next agenda.

Old Business.

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

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Adjournment.

Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Albers to adjourn meeting. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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David W. Eden, Mayor

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Date

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Shannon Neely, City Clerk

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