

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI, HELD ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, February 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Acting President of the Board Barbara Rubison, with the following roll call reported: J.N. Greene, Craig Nelson, John Hull, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Gary Albers, and Barbara Rubison. Absent: Carol Millsap and Mayor David W. Eden. The following city personnel were also in attendance: Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Assistant Chief of Police David Hubert, Planning and Zoning Chairman Louis Woody, 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 a part of the minutes.

Agenda.

Acting President Rubison presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to approve the agenda with the following amendment:

- Item No. X. Replace Bill No. 2013-006 with Bill No. 2013-008, and add “to be read in its entirety” instead of first and second reading.

With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the last regular meeting, which was held on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the minutes as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the minutes approved.

Citizen Participation.

Acting President Rubison reported this portion of the meeting is set aside for participation from the public and requested any discussion from those present. None brought forth.

Enhanced Enterprise Zone Appointment.

Acting President Rubison presented, as requested by Mayor David W. Eden, a recommendation to appoint Charlotte Woodrum to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board, as a representative of the Lawrence County Board for the Developmentally Disabled, with a term to expire on December 31, 2017. Discussion was held. Alderman Albers made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to accept Mayor’s recommendation of appointment of Charlotte Woodrum to the Enhanced Enterprise Zone Board. With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.

Mayoral Proclamation.

Acting President Rubison presented a proclamation from Mayor Eden declaring the week of February 10, 2013 thru February 16, 2013 as Ronald McDonald House Week.

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Ordinances.

Bill No. 2013-004 re: An ordinance vacating an alley between Lots 1 and 11, Block 7, original survey to the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, was read for the second and final time, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill No. 2013-004 was declared passed and sent to the Acting President for signature. Bill No. 2013-004 thus became Ordinance No. 10.55.

Bill No. 2013-005 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.550, 405.570, 405.610 and 405.620 regarding temporary signs was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Hull, Philips, Kimbler, Albers, Rubison

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill No. 2013-005 was declared passed for the first reading and to proceed for the second reading, which will be presented at the February 26, 2013 meeting.

Bill No. 2013-008 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.490 regarding non-conforming uses was read twice, in its entirety, with the following roll call votes recorded:

First Reading:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Second Reading:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill No. 2013-008 was declared passed and sent the Acting President Rubison for signature. Bill No. 2013-008 thus became Ordinance Number 2.154.

Bill No. 2013-007 re: An ordinance to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract between the City of Mount Vernon and the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission providing for STP-Enhancement Funds for STP-3397(405)(South Hickory) was read twice by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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First Reading:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Second Reading:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

Bill No. 2013-007 was declared passed and sent to the Acting President Rubison for signature.

Bill No. 2013-007 thus became Ordinance Number 14.229.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Due to the absence of Springer, Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax Revenue. Reported the January sales tax revenue numbers were down.
- Temporary Position. Reported the Personnel Committee had met to interview three in-house employees for the temporary/part-time utility billing clerk position. Stanton noted the committee recommended using Penmac Temporary Employment Services. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve recommendation. The following voice vote was recorded:

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

NOES: Hull

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Millsap

With all present members voting, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.

- MARC Fees. Reported the MARC committee had met and held discussion regarding fees associated with room or venue rentals. Stanton noted the committee recommended the fees remain the same and that all users, regardless of status (for-profit or not-for-profit), pay said fees with the exception of the Mount Vernon Public School System, effective May 1, 2013. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Acting President Rubison to accept recommendation for fees and the exception. With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.
- EDC Annual Meeting. Reminded the Board of the annual meeting, scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., at City Hall.
- Chamber of Commerce Annual Banquet. Reminded the Board of the annual banquet, scheduled for Saturday, February 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., at Kingsway Christian Church.
- Purple Heart Community. Presented a request to designate the city as a "Purple Heart Community", which would recognize local veterans and their service to the country. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Acting President Rubison to proceed with process to designate city as Purple Heart Community. With all

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present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.

Treasurer.

With the absence of Weldy, Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- December Treasurer Report. Presented the December report for approval and requested any discussion. Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Acting President Rubison to approve the report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.
- 2013 Audit Status. Reported the auditors with Davis, Lynn and Moots would begin the 2012 audit on Tuesday, February 19, 2013.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Fairway Mower. Stanton reported a new deck for the TORO mower was originally budgeted for \$5,350.00, but the city received an opportunity to purchase a Jacobson Fairway mower for \$4,000.00. Stanton noted the mower is in excellent condition and will replace the need for the TORO, as well as a pull-type mower that is currently being used. Discussion was held. Stanton added the budget would be amended at a later date to reflect the purchase of the fairway mower.
- #7 Well. Reported that Well #7 had been struck by lightning on Saturday, February 9, 2013. Stanton noted the insurance company has been contacted and Flynn Drilling has inspected the damage, and has a replacement pump ready for installation.

Planning & Zoning.

Woody held discussion on the following items:

- Code Change Board of Adjustment/Planning & Zoning. Reported an ordinance for text change should be presented at the next council meeting.
- Chickens. Discussion was held at the meeting, held on Tuesday, February 5, 2013, with consensus of the Commission to hold a Public Hearing for input from the public.
- Code Change Duplexes in R-1. Noted discussion with the commission would end due to passage of Bill No. 2013-008.
- Comprehensive Plan. Commission still reviewing the Plan and waiting for Diane Mays to complete the index. Discussion was held on review of the plan every five years.

Code Enforcement.

Due to the absence of Conway, no report was submitted.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- January Statistic Report. Presented the report and requested discussion. None brought forth.
- Employee Probation. Reported Officer Josh Sanker has completed his six-month probation and recommended the Board designate him to full-time status. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, second by Alderman Greene to accept recommendation. With

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all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the motion approved.

- Operational Policies. Reported that he has been reviewing and re-writing the Animal Control Operational Policies to better streamline the position and hold it to more accountability. Discussion was held.
- Med-Return Box. Noted the collection box has been installed at the front counter at City Hall for public use. Discussion was held.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. Two calls since last meeting.
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance. New ladder truck has been delivered and the required 60 hour training course has begun. DeLay noted the truck should be in service on Monday, February 18, 2013, if training is complete.

Committee Reports.

Airport. Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.

Finance. With the absence of Millsap, no report was submitted.

Parks. Alderman Hull reported the committee has not met.

Personnel. Alderman Albers reported the committee met on January 30, 2013 to hold interviews for temporary utility billing position.

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

The MARC Community Center. Acting President Rubison reported the committee met on January 25, 2013 and discussed fees.

New Business.

Acting President Rubison requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

Old Business.

Acting President Rubison requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

Adjournment.

Alderman Hull made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to adjourn the meeting. With all present members voting in favor, Acting President Rubison declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date