

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2014.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall on Tuesday, September 23, 2014 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, Jason Haymes, Lowell Phillips, Edward Kimbler, Kathy Fairchild, Barbara Rubison and Sue Lee. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely. Absent: Bruce Conway.

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

Approval of Agenda.

Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

- Add Bill No. (R)2014-010 regarding a resolution authorizing a tax and securities law compliance procedure for financial obligations of the City of Mount Vernon, to be read once, in its entirety. This will follow Agenda Item VI and renumber accordingly.
- Add Bill No. 2014-026 regarding an ordinance authorizing the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri to enter into a lease purchase transaction, the proceeds of which will be used to pay the costs of constructing and installing water line, sewer pipe, asphalt streets with concrete curb and gutter, and overhead electrical power lines; and to approve the execution of certain documents in connection therewith, to be read twice, in its entirety. This will follow Bill No. (R)2014-010.
- Add to City Administrator Report: Request from Mount Vernon High School Baseball league.

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

Citizen Participation.

Mayor Eden announced this portion of the meeting is set aside for participation from the public and requested discussion. None brought forth.

Certificate of Participation for South Highway 39 Project – McLiney & Company.

Ed McLiney, held an informative discussion on the proposed Certificate of Participation for the South Highway 39 project and answered questions the Board and attending public requested. Mr. McLiney presented the COP principal amount for \$1,545,000.00. Mayor Eden requested any further questions from those in attendance, with none brought forth.

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Resolution.

Bill No. (R)2014-010 re: A resolution authorizing a tax and securities law compliance procedure for financial obligations of the City of Mount Vernon, was read once, in its entirety with the following roll call vote recorded:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. (R)2014-010 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2014-010 thus became Resolution Number (R)2014-010.

Ordinance.

Bill No. 2014-026 re: An ordinance authorizing the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri to enter into a lease purchase transaction, the proceeds of which will be used to pay the costs of constructing and installing water line, sewer pipe, asphalt streets with concrete curb and gutter, and overhead electrical power lines; and to approve the execution of certain documents in connection therewith, was read twice, in its entirety in both readings, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2014-026 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-026 thus became Ordinance Number 14.234.

Bill No. 2014-025 re: An ordinance annexing real property into the city limits of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, was read twice by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Second Reading:

AYES: Greene, Nelson, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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Bill No. 2014-025 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-025 thus became Ordinance Number 1.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer reported the sales tax revenue was up by 10.5% for the month and 11.138% for the year. Discussion was held.
- MRC. Springer noted the Board of Curators were scheduled to meet on October 2nd and 3rd to decide the fate of the facility in Mount Vernon. Discussion was held.
- Utility Rates. Springer presented a proposed rate increase for water and sewer for the Board to review. Discussion was held. Springer noted an ordinance for the increases would be presented at the October 14, 2014 meeting. Discussion was held.
- Discussion of request from Mount Vernon High School Baseball League. Springer reported he has received a request from Mount Vernon High School Baseball coach Nick Swillum to replace the scoreboard on the #4 field at Spirit of 76 Park. Cost is approximately \$20,000.00, and will be funded thru business sponsorships. Springer noted Mr. Swillum also requested the city cost-share relocation and replacement of the backstop. Springer added the backstop total cost is approximately \$9,000.00, with estimated cost share at \$3,000.00 for the city. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden determined it was the consensus of the Board the need for more information from Mr. Swillum and scheduled the next study session for the City Council meeting on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 to be held at the Spirit of 76 Park at Field #4.
- North Industrial Park. Springer presented a request from two individuals interested in leasing 6 acres located in the North Industrial Park and requested direction from the Board. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden announced it was a consensus of the Board to advertise for best offer to lease.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Fall Clean-up. Stanton announced the scheduled date for the event is October 3rd and 4th. Discussion was held.
- Barricade on Square. Stanton reported the barricade has been installed and city crews will be removing the cones for Apple Butter Making Days.

Code Enforcement.

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

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Recommendation for Animal Control vacancy. Hubert recommended the Board hire Donald Jones for the vacancy. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion,

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seconded by Alderman Greene to accept recommendation. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Additional Items. Alderman Haymes noted his appreciation to the Police Department for attending the FFA Food for America event at the Mount Vernon Elementary School.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Vehicle/Equipment Maintenance. DeLay noted batteries were replaced in the #3 engine truck.
- Training. DeLay noted training is continued for Basic Firefighting. Discussion was held.
- Miscellaneous. DeLay announced the month of October is National Fire Prevention month and the week of October 5th thru the 11th is National Fire Prevention week.

Committee Reports.

- *Airport.* Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.
- *Finance.* Alderwoman Rubison reported the committee met on Monday, September 22, 2014, with the next scheduled meeting set for Monday, September 29, 2014.
- *Parks.* Alderman Nelson reported the committee has not met.
- *Personnel.* Alderwoman Fairchild reported the committee has not met.
- *Public Works/Streets.* Alderman Phillips reported the committee has not met.
- *The MARC/Community Center.* Alderwoman Rubison reported the committee has not met.

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.

Adjournment.

With no other item listed on the agenda to come before the Board, Mayor Eden declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date