

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, February 11, 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, Sue Lee. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., Public Works Director Gene Stanton, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely. Absent: Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway.

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

Public Hearing – Annexation of EDC Property.

Mayor Eden opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m. to receive public comment regarding the proposed annexation of land requested by the Mount Vernon Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Springer gave an overview of the request and that the properties intended use would be commercial and the desired zoning would be B-3 General Commercial. Mayor Eden requested any discussion. There being no one present wishing to speak before or against the annexation, Mayor Eden announced the hearing was closed.

Presentation of Agenda.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene approving the agenda with the following amendments:

- Public Works Report. Add discussion on purchase of dump-truck.
- New Business. Add Planning and Zoning Commission Appointment.

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the previous meeting, which was held on Tuesday, January 28, 2014 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips 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.

Citizen Participation.

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

Resolution.

Bill No. (R)2014-004 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing the Mayor to enter an agreement with L & M Tire, LLC regarding purchase of tires for city vehicles during 2014 was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. (R)2014-004 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2014-004 thus became Resolution Number (R)2014-004.

Bill No. (R)2014-005 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri awarding a bid for oil changes, lubrication and minor vehicle maintenance on city vehicles for a period of three years to Mt. Vernon Super Lube, LLC was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. (R)2014-005 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2014-005 thus became Resolution Number (R)2014-005.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax Revenue. Springer reported revenue has increased by 47%, compared to 2013 numbers.
- EDC Appointment. Springer requested the Board appoint Mayor Eden to the EDC Board as the city representative and to allow the Mayor to hold the officer position of Secretary to the Board. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison granting the request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Update on Hickory Street Project. Springer noted the project was currently on hold while waiting on the Federal government to obligate funds. Springer reported ARC Construction from Marshfield, Missouri received the winning bid for the project.
- Promotional Video Launch Date. Springer reported he has scheduled Tuesday, February 25, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. as the date for the launch of the promotional video. Springer noted he would be inviting news media and other members to the launch.
- Update to Four States Metal & Iron. Four States has vacated the premises except for the scales, office/trailer and large amount of tires. Springer noted he met with representatives of Department of Natural Resources (DNR) regarding an expired state operating permit from the tenant. During the inspection of the facility, a representative of DNR noted the city may qualify for the "Roundup" program for disposal of tires. Discussion was held.
- Law Suit. The City has been included in a lawsuit for loss of income and compensatory damages in the form of litigation expenses and attorney fees for \$13,000.00, which is being handled by the city's insurance carrier. The lawsuit stems from an incident in 2011

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with contractors at the Casey's General Store site, and a crushed underground service to El Mariachi Restaurant.

- Park Committee Meeting. Springer reminded the Board of the Park Committee meeting scheduled for February 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. to receive input from the public on the Spirit of 76 Park expansion project.
- ISO Inspection. The ISO inspection will begin on Friday, February 14, 2014. Discussion was held.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills Paid. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- January Treasurer Report. Alderwoman Rubison made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Request to Transfer to Bad Debt. Weldy requested the Board approve request to transfer \$7,281.51 from utility accounts to the Bad Debt collections. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Request to Fill Position. Stanton requested the Board approve hiring William Hendrix pending employee screening results. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to grant request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Discussion to Purchase Dump-truck. Stanton requested permission to proceed with purchase of dumptruck and accessories thru the state purchasing program. Stanton noted the price of \$116,035.00 received for purchase is under the budgeted amount. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Questions. Alderman Kimbler requested status of salt supply. Stanton reported the city does have a full supply. The Board and Mayor complimented crews on street clean-up thru the winter weather.

Code Enforcement.

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

- Public Hearings. Springer noted the Planning and Zoning Commission has scheduled two public hearings for March 4, 2014. Proposed text changes are for interstate signage and off-street parking. Discussion was held.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- January Statistical Report. Hubert presented the January report and requested any questions. None brought forth.
- Animal Control Facility. Hubert reported a non-scheduled yearly inspection on the animal control holding facility was conducted on January 27, 2014 by the Department of

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Agriculture. Hubert noted the facility had no violations. Hubert commended the Animal Control Officer for the impeccable condition the pound was in.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. DeLay reported the department has received four calls since last report.
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance. Maintenance has been performed on all vehicles. The generator on Engine Three is back in service.
- Training. The department participated in ISO testing exercises on February 1, 2014. DeLay commended and thanked the fire crew that assisted in the exercises as it lasted approximately five to six hours.
- Miscellaneous. ISO will be at the Fire Station on February 14, 2014 for more evaluations. Discussion was held on how a new rating could affect the city and residents. DeLay noted a firefighter would be using the station on February 16, 2014 for a child's birthday.

Committee Reports.

- Airport. Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.
- Finance. Alderwoman Rubison reported the committee has not met.
- Parks/Recreation. Alderman Nelson reminded the Board of the meeting on February 24, 2014 to receive input from the public on the proposed park expansions options.
- 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 scheduled a meeting for Thursday, February 20, 2014 at 5:00 p.m. at The MARC.

New Business.

Mayor Eden made a recommendation to appoint Charlotte Woodrum to vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept recommendation of Woodrum to Planning and Zoning Commission. The following voice vote was recorded:

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

NOES: Kimbler

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

Old Business.

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

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Adjournment.

Mayor Eden announced with no other business to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date