

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

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, March 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, Assistant Chief of Police Jason Lacey, Fire Chief Brad DeLay, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway 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.

Approval of Agenda.

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

- City Administrator Report. Add “Discussion on Trash Bid.”
- Public Works Report. Add “Discussion on Spring Clean-up”  
Add “Request to purchase Breakers 1 & 2 for Substation
- Remove Item XIV. Closed Session.

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

Presentation of Award.

John Gentry and Sam Henry, representatives of Positronic Industries, accepted a plaque from Mayor Eden on behalf of the Mount Vernon Economic Development Corporation, in honor of twenty-five years in business in the Mount Vernon community.

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on February 25, 2014, were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler 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.

Mayoral Appointments to Industrial Development Authority (IDA)

Mayor Eden requested the Board accept his recommendations for the following individuals to serve on the Industrial Development Authority Board (IDA):

- Steve Fairchild
- Jim Schoen
- Michael Baker
- Peggy Flippin

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- Derick Barnes
- John Bennett

Discussion was held. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to accept Mayor recommendation for appointments. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Ordinances.

**Bill No. 2014-007 re:** An ordinance de-annexing and excluding from the city limits one (1) parcel of land 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

Bill No. 2014-007 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-007 thus became Ordinance Number 1.268.

**Bill No. 2014-008 re:** An ordinance de-annexing and excluding from the city limits one (1) parcel of real property, 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, Haymes, Phillips, Kimbler, Fairchild, Rubison, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2017-008 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-08 thus became Ordinance Number 1.269.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax Revenue. Springer reported that although revenue is down from the previous month, the city is seeing an increase for the year. Discussion was held.
- Hickory Street Sidewalk Improvement. Anderson Engineering is waiting on signatures for contract with ARC Construction, but has scheduled a pre-construction meeting for March 26, 2014, with time of meeting to be yet announced.
- Project 2013-1 Wal-Mart. Springer noted the large metal building was removed and construction has begun.
- Project 2013-2 EDC. Springer reported Petrus is working on an agreement to convey property to the prospective buyer from the Economic Development Corporation. Discussion was held.
- Civil Rights Title VI Plan. Springer presented the proposed Civil Rights Title VI plan, which is required thru the Transportation grant. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild to accept the Civil Rights Title VI plan as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Work Assistance Program. Springer noted the city has continued participating in the Work Assistance Program, which is funded by the Department of Labor and with no cost to the city. The city recently received a participant for training in the office, but the individual did not work out. Springer noted we will continue participating in the program.
- Request to Hire Employees Golf Course Clubhouse. Three applications were received for part-time help at the Golf Course Clubhouse. Springer requested the Board approve hiring Ric Tyson and Bill Craig to fill two vacancies. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to grant the request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Eagle Scout Flagpoles at Spirit of 76 Park. Springer reported the city has been approached by Paul Force and Jake Millsap to place flagpoles at the Spirit of 76 Park so they may meet their civic requirements for their Eagle Merit Badges thru the Boy Scouts. Paul Force reported the cost per pole will be \$1,313.00 and requested the city to assist in costs for the installation. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to contribute \$903.00 toward installation of the pole. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- City Trash Service. Requested the Board provide guidance if it is their wish to bid out the trash bid or to wait until 2015. Discussion was held with a consensus of the Board to proceed with bid for trash pickup services.
- Leased Land. Springer reported clearing of fences and trees has begun on the north industrial land by the Mr. Dostal, who has the lease for the property for farming of crops. Discussion was held.
- Other Items of Discussion. Alderman Kimbler requested and discussion was held regarding leasing of the Spirit of 76 Park concession stand for the baseball/softball season.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills Paid. Weldy presented the bills paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- February Treasurer Report. Weldy presented the report for February. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept the report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Investments. Weldy presented a bid tab for a matured certificate of deposit at Mid-Missouri Bank and recommended the Board re-invest the balance of \$401,227.61 into a certificate of deposit for one year at 0.25% interest rate at Mid-Missouri Bank. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept the recommendation for investment. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Hickory Street Sidewalk Project. Project is currently on hold due to Number Four tower scheduled for re-paint of the bowl by Utility Service. Discussion was held.
- Spring Clean-up. Stanton reported the annual event is scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day. Discussion was held.
- Request to Purchase Breakers. Stanton noted the budget included line items for purchase of two breakers at the Number One and Two substations, and requested permission to proceed with purchase. Stanton noted he would order one now, with a delivery date of late April and the other would be ordered in May, for late June delivery. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with purchase. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- February Statistical Report. Conway presented the monthly report and held discussion.
- Planning and Zoning Public Hearings. Conway reported the Commission held two public hearings on March 4, 2014, and on completion of the fourteen day protest period if no complaints are received, ordinances would be presented at the next council meeting for approval by the Board. Discussion was held.

Police.

Lacey held discussion on the following items:

- February Statistical Report. Lacey presented the statistical report and held discussion.
- Burglaries Update. Lacey reported due to the rash of burglaries in the city, the department has increased night time patrol and officers are checking doors at businesses and churches. Discussion was held.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- **Calls.** DeLay reported the department has had five calls since last report.
- **Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance.** Maintenance included replacement of the alternator on Engine 3, installation of Insta-Chains on Engine 2 and scheduling annual pump re-certifications.
- **Training.** DeLay noted the department will continue the Basic Fire Fighter training, with a class scheduled on March 20, 2014. Discussion was held.
- **Miscellaneous.** DeLay reported the ISO information has been submitted for processing, with a 120 day waiting period until a response is received.

Committee Reports.

- *Airport.* Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.
- *Finance.* Alderwoman Rubison reported the committee has not met.
- *Parks.* Alderman Nelson reported the committee has not met.
- *Personnel.* Alderwoman Fairchild reported the committee has not met.
- *Public Works.* 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. None brought forth.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden declared that with no other business listed on the agenda, or to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:55 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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