

Minutes Approved April 8, 2014

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2014.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall on Tuesday, March 25, 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, Assistant Fire Chief Grant Wheeler, 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.

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

- City Administrator Report. Add Request to approve airport hangar lease agreement with Ibra Brewton.

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the minutes with the following amendment.

- Public Works Report. Correction: Change “Project is currently on hold” to “Project is not on hold”.

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.

Audit Report.

Jon Cummings, representative from KPM CPA’s presented the audit for the fiscal year of 2013. Mr. Cummings covered several points of interest to the Board and reported a “clean opinion”. Discussion was held.

Ordinances.

Bill No. 2014-009 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.660 regarding sign standards was read twice, by title only, with the following voice vote recorded:

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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. 2014-009 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-009 thus became Ordinance No. 2.166.

Bill No. 2014-010 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.340 regarding off-street parking required spaces 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. 2014-010 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-010 thus became Ordinance Number 2.167.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sidewalk Mandate. Springer reported a meeting was held with MoDot representatives regarding a federal mandate for maintenance, repair, and replacement of sidewalks that are located along state maintained roads and highways within the city limits. Springer noted areas of concern identified by MoDot are:
 - Phase One - Market Street – From Business Loop 39, north to the square (\$142,000.00 cost)
 - Phase Two - N. Main Street – From the Water Street, north to Highway 174 (\$41,000.00 cost)

Discussion was held and consensus of the Board was to request the federal government share responsibility in costs.

- Pool and Park Program for Summer. Springer requested the Board allow him to proceed with advertisement for two separate positions, one for Pool Management and the second position for Park Program. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler authorizing Springer to proceed with advertisement of two positions. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Summer Song Fest. Cody Collins has requested the city permit him to hold a Summer Song Fest at the Spirit of 76 Park and to allow vendors during the event. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Haymes to grant approval to the event and to allow vendors. The following voice vote was recorded:

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

NOES: Greene

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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

- Hickory Street Sidewalk Project Pre-construction Meeting. Springer noted a pre-construction meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 26, 2014 with Anderson Engineering, ARC Construction, MoDot and city staff.
- Controlled City Hunt. Springer noted he has received a request from two individuals to hold a “bow-only” controlled hunt inside the city limits. After a lengthy discussion, it was a consensus of the Board to not take any action until they have received more information.
- North Industrial Park Fence. The lease holder of the northwest Industrial land is in the process of clearing off the property by removing trees and old fencing. A neighboring property owner has given permission for removal of old fence row but has requested the city share in the cost of installation of new fence. Springer noted estimated total cost of installation of new fencing is \$2,200.00, with city share to be \$1,100.00. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler approving cost share of fence for \$1,100.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Missouri Works Program. Springer reported the city is continuing partnership with the Missouri Works program and currently has Trish Nelson participating in training in the office.
- Hangar Lease Agreement. Springer presented a request for hangar lease rental to Ibra Brewton for Hangar #2(B), effective April 1, 2014. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler approving rental request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following item:

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

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Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Spring Clean Up. Stanton reminded the Board of the annual Spring Clean-up on April 4th and 5th at the Public Works Shop. Discussion was held.
- Other Items of Discussion. Discussion was held on why crews set up an “alternative” route for residents on Country Lane for egress and ingress during replacement of a culvert on Country Lane. Stanton noted the detour would allow for residents to detour thru The MARC parking lot, where cones have been place for the route.

Planning and Zoning.

Conway reported he had no items for discussion, but welcomed any questions. None brought forth.

Police Report.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Burglary Update. Hubert reported a suspect has been arrested and after a search of his residence many items that were reported stolen have been recovered. Hubert noted investigation is ongoing.
- Vehicle Update. Installation of radio equipment is scheduled and vehicle should be on the road for duty within the next month.

Fire Report.

Wheeler held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. The department has not received any calls since last report.
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance. Pump recertification has begun with the 1978 La France not passing the recertification test. Wheeler noted they are searching for a replacement pump but was finding it very difficult to locate.
- Training. Firefighters received continued training on Basic Firefighting, while Chief DeLay and Assistant Chief Wheeler attended pipeline emergency training on March 20, 2014.

Committee Reports.

- *Airport.* Alderman Greene reported the committee has not met.
- *Finance.* Alderwoman Rubison reported the committee has not met.
- *Parks.* Alderman Nelson scheduled a meeting for Thursday, April 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
- *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 presented a letter to the Board for appreciation to Max Springer and Mike Tebow for assisting at The MARC. Discussion was held. Mayor Eden requested any additional new business. None brought forth.

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Old Business.

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

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden declared that with no other business to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date