

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JUNE 10, 2014.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in the regular place of meeting, City Hall on Tuesday, June 10, 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. Absent: None. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Attorney William Petrus, Jr., 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.

Mayor Eden presented the agenda to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Phillips to approve the agenda as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Presentation of Minutes.

Minutes of the last meeting, which was held on Tuesday, May 27, 2014 were presented to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to accept the minutes as presented. The following voice vote was recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Haymes

ABSENT: None

With all present members voting, 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 to be brought to the floor. None brought forth.

Resolution.

Bill No. (R)2014-008 re: A resolution of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri authorizing an equipment lease-purchase agreement by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Liberty Bank for acquisition of a 2015 International Dump Truck and to authorize the execution of documents related thereto was read once, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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Bill No. (R)2014-008 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. (R)2014-008 thus became Resolution Number (R)2014-008.

Ordinances.

Bill No. 2014-013 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Chapter 510 regarding excavation was read once, 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

Bill No. 2014-013 was declared passed on the first reading and will be presented at the June 24, 2014 meeting for the second and final reading.

Bill No. 2014-014 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 115.090 regarding election and duties of City Clerk 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. 2014-014 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2014-014 thus became Ordinance Number 1.271.

Mayor Eden requested the Board appoint Shannon Neely as City Clerk for a term of eleven months when normal official reappointments will take place, per City Code. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Green to accept Mayor appointment. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Bill No. 2014-015 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.450(V)(1)(d) regarding minimum size of detached single-family residences was read once, 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

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Bill No. 2014-015 was declared passed on the first reading and will be presented at the June 24, 2014 meeting for the second and final reading.

Bill No. 2014-016 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 410.340 regarding inspections and acceptance of subdivision improvements was read once, 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

Bill NO. 2014-016 was declared passed on the first reading, will be presented at the June 24, 2014 meeting for the second and final reading.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax Revenue. Revenue sales tax is down 12.3% for the month, but for the year is still .0911% higher than previous year.
- Hickory Street Sidewalk Improvements. Springer noted the project is slightly delayed due to weather, which has resulted in large amounts of water flowing down Hickory Street. Discussion was held.
- Storm Damage. Springer reported the storm on June 4, 2014 included winds from 70 to 100 miles per hour and approximately eleven inches of water. Discussion was held.
- Sycamore Valley Driving Range. Springer reported the Mount Vernon Senior Golf League has requested the city consider purchasing the Sycamore Valley Driving Range. Springer noted the property is listed for \$200,000.00 and includes fourteen acres, 2,400 square foot putting green, chipping area and club house. Discussion was held with a consensus of the Board to pass on purchase.
- Millsap Building. The owner of the property has offered the city a lowered asking price of \$15,000.00 for the building. Several options for the building were discussed, including demolition, restoring and stabilization. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene directing Springer to inquire for additional information on costs for stabilization of wall, roof, floor and costs for demolition of building. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Hay Removal at 76 Park. Sealed bids were received for taking of hay from 30 acres on east half of Spirit of 76 Park with award of bid to Larry Moriondo for \$10.50 per bale and an additional mowing or brush-hogging no later than November.
- Empire Electric Rate Increase. Springer reported he attended a meeting with Craig Woycheese, a representative of Toth & Associates and also City of Monett, Missouri, City of Lockwood, Missouri and City of Chetopa, Kansas regarding the rate increase from Empire District Electric Company, which began the first of June. The meeting resulted in all entities agreeing in requesting recalculation of fuel adjustment formula and filing the request with FERC. Discussion was held.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Weldy presented the bills paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- May Treasurer Report. Weldy presented the Treasurer Report for May, 2014 and requested discussion. None brought forth. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison to approve the report as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Public Works.

Due to the absence of Stanton, no report was submitted, but Springer commended the public works crews for work from the storms, which included electrical outages, tree debris removal and high water.

Planning and Zoning.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- May Statistical Report. Conway presented the May report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Planning & Zoning. Conway reported the Commission held public hearings on June 3, 2014 for the following items:
 1. Case #2014-04-30-01: Rezone 422, 500, 504, 508 and 512 N. Main St from current R-1 zoning to B1-A zoning.
 2. Case #2014-05-06-01: Text change to Sections 410.340, 510.160, 510.170, 705.020, and 705.030.
 3. Case #2014-05-06-02: Text change to Section 405.450(V)(1)(d)

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- May Statistical Report. Hubert presented the May report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Additional Items of Discussion. Hubert reported the department participated in the First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School by letting the children view the new Dodge Charger police unit. Mayor Eden requested status of ordinance that would prevent trucks parking at Kings Park. Discussion was held.

Fire.

Wheeler held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. Wheeler reported the department has had four calls since last meeting.
- Training. The department is still conducting Basic Firefighter classes.
- Community Events. The department is participating in boot collection for Muscular Dystrophy and received \$955.00 in donations from Saturday, June 7, 2014.

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/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.

Closed Session.

Alderman Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to close a portion of the meeting, pursuant to RSMo, Section 610.021(2) Real Estate Issues. The following roll call vote was recorded:

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Meeting adjourned to closed session at 7:56 p.m.

Reconvene.

Meeting reconvened from Closed Session at 8:14 p.m. Mayor Eden requested any other discussion. None brought forth.

Adjourn.

With no other business to come before the Board, Mayor Eden declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date