

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2015.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, at the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, October 13, 2015 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, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Code Enforcement Officer Bruce Conway, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay 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 Phillips made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to approve the agenda with the following amendments:

- City Administrator Report
 - Add - Request for sound system in Council Chambers
 - Add - Request to award bid for a platform lift at The MARC
- Public Works Report
 - Add - Request to purchase materials for sewer main repair

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from Tuesday, September 22, 2015 meeting to the Board for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the minutes with the following correction:

- Opening Paragraph: Aldermen in attendance: Change Craig Phillips to Craig Nelson.

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 to receive input from the public and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer reported the revenue for 2015 sales tax increased by 15.892% compared to 2014 and year-to-date revenue increased by 27.669%. Discussion was held.
- Request to purchase water meters. Springer requested permission to purchase four hundred (400) water meters from the current budget, for a total of \$78,200.00. Springer noted two hundred (200) meters would be paid from the Wastewater Collections and the

remaining two hundred (200) from Water Capital Improvement sales tax reserves. Springer added this would leave two hundred ninety (290) meters to be purchased from the 2016 budget. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to proceed with purchase of four hundred (400) meters. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- MARC Platform Lift. Springer presented a bid tab for the platform lift installation at The MARC. Springer noted Anderson Engineering reviewed all bids received and recommended Crews Construction for a bid of \$67,777.00. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to accept recommendation for Crews Construction and to proceed with the Notice of Award. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Request to purchase sound system for Council Chambers. Springer requested the Board allow him to proceed with purchase and installation of a sound system from Great Sounds, for the Council Chambers. Springer noted money has been budgeted for improvements. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild to proceed with purchase for \$5,231.05 from Great Sounds. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Finance Committee budget meeting schedule. Springer requested the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for October 19, 2015 be rescheduled for October 26, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. It was the consensus of the members of the committee to reschedule the meeting.

Treasurer.

Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- Bills Paid. Weldy presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Treasurer Report. Weldy reported she would present the September Treasure report at the second meeting in October.

Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- Request to move budgetary money. Stanton reported with the large amount of rainfall earlier in the year, trees experienced extreme rapid growth, causing very weak limbs. Stanton noted he would like to continue trimming and maintaining tree limbs so as to be proactive for any weather that may arise and requested the Board allow use of available money in Electrical Upgrades. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild to continue tree trimming program using available money. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Request to enter a Memo of Understanding. Stanton requested the Board approve entering a Memo of Understanding with Automated Solutions for an upgrade to the reservoir and #4 Well communication systems/SCADA system. Stanton noted the cost is approximately \$50,000.00. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to authorizing the City Administrator or the Director of Public Works to sign the Memo of Understanding with Automated Solutions. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

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- Request to purchase material for sewer main. Stanton requested the Board allow him to purchase materials for replacement of the sewer main, beginning at East Street to McCause Street, in the alley. Stanton noted city employees would be utilized to do the work, which will save the city a considerable amount of money. Stanton added cost of material is approximately \$12,000.00. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to proceed with purchase of materials for sewer line replacement, not to exceed \$12,000.00. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Apple Butter Making Days. Stanton thanked his crews, Police staff and Fire Department for providing clean-up after the Apple Butter Making Days Festival.

Code Enforcement.

Conway held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Conway presented the statistic report for September and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Planning and Zoning update. Conway reported the Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on Tuesday, October 6, 2015 regarding rezoning of specified areas and reported the Commission recommended the requested rezoning changes. Conway noted per code, there is a fourteen day waiting period to receive any petition against the rezoning request.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Hubert presented the statistic report from September and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Introduction of new officer. Hubert introduced new officer David Young and his wife Christina Young to the Board. Mayor Eden welcomed the new employee on behalf of the Board.

Fire.

DeLay held discussion on the following items:

- Calls. DeLay reported the department has received two calls since last report.
- Equipment/Vehicle maintenance. DeLay reported regular maintenance was performed on vehicles and equipment.
- Training. DeLay reported the department held training on October 11, 2015 regarding pump and hose operations and an ICS review. DeLay noted training on October 17, 2015 would be held at Schreiber Foods for Ammonia Training. Discussion was held.
- Community Activities. DeLay reported the department participated in the Apple Butter Making Days parade on Saturday, October 10, 2015. DeLay reported the department would participate in the following activities:
 - MVES Fire Safety Program on 10/15/2015
 - Trick or Treat at the Fire Station on 10/31
- Miscellaneous. DeLay reported the Department has installed three smoke detectors thru the grant program. DeLay also reminded the Board that October is National Fire Prevention month.

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Committee Report.

Finance. Alderwoman Rubison presented minutes from the Finance Committee meetings held on Monday, October 5, 2015 and Monday, October 12, 2015. Discussion was held.

New Business.

Mayor Eden requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. The following discussion was held:

- Alderman Greene held discussion on providing a facility for the skateboarders.
- Springer thanked all city staff for their participation in Apple Butter Making Days.
- Springer requested a second Board of Aldermen meeting in November due to the Transportation grant process. Discussion was held.

Old Business.

Mayor Eden requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion. The following discussion was held:

- Alderwoman Fairchild reported she has received positive feedback from her constituents and the public in dedicating Hickory Street and North Main as “Veterans’ Way”. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to designate Hickory Street, from the Missouri Veterans’ Home to Dallas Street; and N. Main St., from Water Street to Highway 174 as “Veterans’ Way”. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon Neely, City Clerk

Date