

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2015.**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, in the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, May 12, 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, Jr., Director of Public Works Gene Stanton, Chief of Police David Hubert, Fire Chief Brad DeLay and City Clerk Shannon Neely. Absent: Treasurer Shari Weldy and 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.

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 Farmers Market Discussion.
- Old Business. Add Davis Street.

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the April 28, 2015 meeting 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 Appreciation.

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

Mayoral Proclamation.

Mayor Eden presented the following proclamations:

- May 16 ,2015 – Square and Round Dance Day
- May 10 thru May 16, 2015 – National Police Week

Mayoral Appointment of City Officials.

Mayor Eden recommended the following appointments:

- Fire Chief – Brad DeLay
- Director of Public Works – Gene Stanton
- Chief of Police – David Hubert
- City Collector – Jason Patten
- Treasurer – Shari Weldy
- City Counselor – William Petrus, Jr.

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- Attorney – William Petrus, Jr.
- Municipal Court Clerk – Toni Buttram
- City Clerk – Shannon Neely

Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept Mayor's recommendation. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

### Mayoral Appointment – Board of Adjustment.

Mayor Eden recommended the appointment of William Weber to serve on the Board of Adjustment for a term of five years. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to accept Mayor's recommendation. With all present members voting, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

### Ordinance.

**Bill No. 2015-019 re:** An ordinance annexing real property into the city limits of the City of Mount Vernon 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. 2015-019 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2015-019 thus became Ordinance Number 1.274.

### Department Reports.

#### City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer presented sales tax revenues and noted an increase of 16.6% from last report and 21.7% for the year.
- Bid on McCanse Street Culvert. Springer reported bid opening was held on Thursday, May 7, 2015 with four companies submitting bids. Springer recommended Journagan Construction as the best and lowest bid at \$64,323.67. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Fairchild to award bid to Journagan Construction. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Springer noted Mr. Reavis appraised the property for \$88,000.00 and requested the Board direct him on action to take. Discussion was held. Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to accept sealed bids until 4:30 p.m. on Friday, August

14, 2015 and with the option that the Board may accept or reject any bid. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Change in Personnel Manual. Springer requested the Board approve removal of comp time in lieu of payment for overtime hours from the personnel manual and replace with “pay all approved overtime hours at 1 ½ times the employee’s regular rate of pay.” Alderman Greene made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kimbler to proceed with recommended text change, effective May 15, 2015. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Park Program. Springer requested the Board hire Ashley Wright as Assistant Park Program Leader and Callie Christiansen as lifeguard. Alderwoman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Rubison granting request. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Project Bauer. Springer reported he has received notification the city is being considered by a company as a future development site for an ammunition company. Springer noted in January he submitted the old fireplace factory as a possible site, which has been chosen as one out twelve, nationwide. Springer added we are now included in second round of selections. Discussion was held.
- Condemnation. Springer reported action has begun in the condemnation process for 1313 S. Hickory, which has been deemed inhabitable. Springer noted a hearing has been scheduled for May 22, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. for those interested in the address.
- Orschelns. Springer reported the store would begin application process and holding interviews on May 21 and 22 and are anticipating a soft opening around August 1, 2015. Springer noted a Grand Opening is scheduled for October 15 thru October 18.
- Farmers Market. Springer presented a request from the Mount Vernon Area Farmers Market to relocate from the west side of the square to the south side of Wynne Park for Saturday sales. Discussion was held. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to allow use of Sloan Street side of Wynne Park and to continue use of N. Main Street during Apple Butter Making Days festival. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

#### Treasurer.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Bills. Springer presented the Bills Paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Treasurer Report. Springer presented the April Treasurer Report for approval. Alderman Kimbler made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to approve the April Treasurer Report at presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

#### Public Works.

Stanton held discussion on the following items:

- McCanse Street Culvert. Stanton reported an ordinance will be presented at the next meeting for contract with Journagan for construction of the culvert on McCanse Street. Stanton noted Journagan will then have forty-five days to complete construction. Discussion was held.

Code Enforcement.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Statistics. Springer presented the statistics report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Planning and Zoning update. Springer noted an ordinance will be presented at the next meeting for text change regarding distances for liquor licenses. Discussion was held.
- Buildings Downtown. Springer reported the friable asbestos has been removed and Gator should begin demolition around May 14 or 15<sup>th</sup>. Springer noted Gator will have approximately six weeks to complete demolition, removing debris and clean-up. Discussion was held.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Statistic Report. Hubert presented the statistic report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

Fire.

DeLay noted he had nothing to report.

New Business.

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

Old Business.

- Mayor Eden requested the Board review input from the public hearing regarding Davis Street, held on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Greene to abandon Davis Street, from east entrance to west entrance and to rename section from west entrance to Juanita Street as an extended portion of Juanita Street. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Petrus noted an ordinance will be presented for approval of vacation of Davis Street on Tuesday, May 26, 2015.
- Mayor Eden announced a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. to receive comments from the public regarding a proposal for the facility located at 600 N. Main Street. Springer noted a representative from IFI, Infrastructure Financial, Inc. will be in attendance to answer questions regarding the proposal. Discussion was held.
- Springer scheduled a Finance Committee meeting for June 1, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.
- Alderman Haymes requested discussion on relocation of 911 Dispatch. Discussion was held.

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Adjournment.

Mayor Eden reported there was no other business listed on the agenda to come before the Board and declared the meeting adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 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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