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# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2022.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, at the regular place of meeting, 319 E Dallas Street, on Tuesday, November 22, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Haymes with the following roll call recorded: Scott Beckley, Dallas Gramm, Craig Nelson, Lowell Phillips, Sherie Thrasher, Steve Fairchild, Marda Gramm, and Sue Lee. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Joe Kelley, Counselor Darlene Parrigon, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Public Works Director Dustin Davis, Code Enforcement Terry Moore, Assistant Chief of Police Jason Lacey, and City Clerk Melissa Aduddle. Absent: David Hubert

Guests registering their attendance are listed on the sign in sheet attached to and made a part of the minutes.

# Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Haymes presented the agenda to the Board for approval. The following changes were requested:

• City Administrator: Remove: Bill 2022-29 Administrative Search Warrants

• Police Department: Remove: Body Cameras

• Treasurer: Add: Bills over \$5,000.00 – Olsson, \$8,400.00 and Anderson, \$16,113.22

Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the agenda with the aforementioned changes, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

## Presentation of Minutes

Mayor Haymes presented the minutes from the Board of Aldermen meeting held on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips moved to approve the minutes from the November 8, 2022 meeting as presented, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm.

Motion passed.

#### Citizen Participation

Mayor Haymes announced this portion of the meeting was set aside to receive input from those in attendance and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

## Ordinance

**Bill No. 2022-30 re:** An Ordinance authorizing the restricted and temporary use of recreational vehicles in the City of Mount Vernon for real property owners or intended residential occupants as temporary living quarters of a primary residential structure on the same real property, was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

## First Reading:

AYES: Beckley, D. Gramm, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, M. Gramm, Lee

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

#### Second Reading:

AYES: Beckley, D. Gramm, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, M. Gramm, Lee

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Bill No. 2022-30 was passed by unanimous roll call vote and sent to the Mayor for signature, thus becoming Ordinance Number 2.206.

# **Department Reports**

## City Administrator

Mr. Kelley held discussion on the following items:

• Employee Health Insurance 2023. Kelley reported that five quotes were received for employee health insurance for 2023, the City's current plan is an 80/20 policy with \$1,500.00 deductible and \$4,000.00 out-of-pocket. Our current premium is \$812.54 for medical, dental, and vision. Our provider's quote for medical insurance has increased, but dental and vision remain unchanged, for a total of \$1,105.05, per employee. This is an increase of \$292.51 per employee per month. The other quotes that were received were age-based healthcare plans, making each rate different depending on the employee's age. The increase in cost does offer a lower premium to the City; however, it shifts more healthcare cost onto our employees. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to purchase health insurance from Cox Health Plans for 2023, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm.

Motion passed.

• **2023 Proposed Budget.** Kelley gave the Board a brief overview summary of the proposed 2023 Budget. Discussion was held.

## **Treasurer**

Ms. Weldy held discussion on the following items:

• **Bills Paid**. Weldy presented the bills paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

• **Bills over \$5,000.00**. Weldy then presented the bills over \$5,000.00 to the Board for approval. Alderwoman Lee moved to approve the November and December bills over \$5,000.00, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

- September & October 2022 Treasurer's Reports. Weldy presented the September and October 2022 Treasurer's Reports to the Board for approval. Alderwoman Lee moved to approve the September and October 2022 Treasurer's Reports, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm.
- Reimbursement Request 6 Missouri Drive. Weldy informed the Board that she is
  requesting approval for the City Administrator to sign off on Reimbursement Request 6
  for Missouri Drive. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Gramm moved to approve the
  City Administrator sign off on Reimbursement Request 6 for Missouri Driver for
  \$84,836.81, seconded by Alderman Beckley

Motion passed.

• Reimbursement Request 7 – Spirit of '76 Park. Weldy informed the Board that she is requesting approval for the City Administrator to sign off on Reimbursement Request 7 for Spirit of '76 Park. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the City Administrator sign off on Reimbursement Request 7 for Spirit of '76 Park for \$373,400.00, seconded by Alderman Beckley

#### Director of Public Works

Mr. Davis held discussion on the following items:

• **Pool Update.** Davis gave an update on the progress of the Spirit of '76 Pool renovation, stating that things are progressing quickly. Davis stated the concrete for the zero entry portion of the pool as been poured, as well as, the wall for the lazy river. The next concrete pour that is planned is for the high dive. Discussion was held.

#### Code Enforcement

Mr. Moore did not have any agenda items present, but requested any questions or discussion from the Board. None brought forth.

#### Police

Assistant Chief Lacey held discussion on the following items:

• Statistics for October 2022. Hubert presented the statistics for October 2022 to the Board for review and requested any discussion. None brought forth.

## Old Business

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

#### New Business

Mayor Haymes requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. The following items were presented: The following item was brought forth:

 Second Meeting in December – Discussion was held on whether to cancel the second meeting in December. Decision tabled until next meeting.

## **Closed Session**

Alderman Phillips moved to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (2) Real Estate, RSMo. 2018, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm. The following roll call vote was recorded:

AYES: Beckley, D. Gramm, Nelson, Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, M. Gramm, Lee

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

Motion passed. Meeting adjourned for closed session at 7:27 p.m.

## Reconvene from Closed Session

Meeting reconvened at 7:48 p.m. Mayor Haymes determined all Aldermen that were present for closed session adjournment had returned to the meeting.

## Adjournment

Mayor Haymes announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Jason Haymes, Mayor

Date

Melissa Aduddle, City Clerk

Date