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MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2023

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, at the regular place of meeting, 109 N Hickory Street, on Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Haymes with the following roll call recorded: Scott Beckley, Lowell Phillips, Sherie Thrasher, Steve Fairchild, and Sue Lee. Absent: Dallas Gramm, Craig Nelson, Logan Phillips. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Joe Kelley, Counselor Toni Hendricks, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Code Enforcement Terry Moore, Chief of Police David Hubert, and City Clerk Melissa Aduddle. Absent: Public Works Director Dustin Davis

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. Alderman Lowell Phillips 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, May 23, 2023, to the Board for approval. Alderman Lowell Phillips moved to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2023 meeting as presented, seconded by Alderman Fairchild. The following vote was recorded:

AYES: Beckley, Lowell Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild NOES: None ABSTAIN: Lee ABSENT: Gramm, Nelson, Logan Phillips

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. The following brought forth:

• David Adams – Concerns about consequences of power outages to citizens that work from home, and pedestrian crossing Highway 39 at Gibbs Street.

Ordinance

Bill No. 2023-09 re: First and second reading of an Ordinance authorizing execution of all documents to purchase land, was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Beckley, Lowell Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Gramm, Nelson, Logan Phillips

Second Reading:

AYES: Beckley, Lowell Phillips, Thrasher, Fairchild, Lee NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Gramm, Nelson, Logan Phillips

Bill No. 2023-09 was passed by unanimous roll call vote and sent to the Mayor for signature, thus becoming Ordinance Number 14.354.

Department Reports

City Administrator

Mr. Kelley held discussion on the following items:

- Spirit of '76 Park Expansion. Kelley reported that on Thursday, June 1st, Olsson Engineering held a pre-bid meeting for the Phase 1 expansion project at the Spirit of '76 Park. Nine (9) companies were represented during the meeting. The bid opening is scheduled for June 22nd at 1:00 pm. Discussion was held.
- **City Hall.** Kelley informed the Board that on Monday June 12th Connelly Heating & Air began work on the City Hall cooling system. The current system will be repaired with a new compressor and use an alternative R-22 refrigerant. Discussion was held.
- Spirit of '76 Park Pool Fees. Kelley stated that on April 11th, the Board established fees for the 2023 Summer season. The season passes were set at \$80.00 for the pass and each additional family member at \$10.00 each. The current Schedule of Fees does not contain a maximum number of family members that can be added to the pass. Discussion was held. It was decided to leave it as is, and to revisit setting a maximum number of family members are revisited.

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 for May and June to the Board for approval. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the bills over \$5,000.00 for May and June, seconded by Alderwoman Lee.

Motion passed.

April 2023 Treasurer's Report. Weldy presented the April 2023 Treasurer's Report to . the Board for approval. Alderwoman Lee moved to approve the April 2023 Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

Director of Public Works

Mr. Davis was absent. Mr. Kelley, on his behalf, held discussion on the following items:

Electric Department – Personnel. Kelley reported that, Dalton Cooper has completed his three month probationary period and requested to move Mr. Cooper to full-time status. Discussion was held. Alderman Lowell Phillips moved to take Dalton Cooper from probationary status to full-time status in the Electric Department, seconded by Alderwoman Lee.

Motion passed.

Code Enforcement

Mr. Moore held discussion on the following items:

May 2023 Permit Report. Moore presented the Permit Report for May 2023 and requested any questions or discussion. None brought forth.

Police

Chief Hubert held discussion on the following items:

Statistics for April 2023. Hubert presented the statistics for April 2023 to the Board for review and requested any discussion. None brought forth

Old Business

Mayor Haymes requested any new 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. None brought forth.

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 7:26 p.m.

n Haymes, Max

Date

6/27/23 Melissa Aduddle, City Clerk AWRL