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**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 23, 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, August 23, 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, Chief of Police David Hubert, and City Clerk Melissa Aduddle.

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:           Add: Westport Pools – Change Order #1  
  Remove: MML Conference
- Ordinance:                    Remove: Bill No. 2022-19
- Treasurer:                    Add: Reimbursement Request #1 – Spirit of '76 Park

Alderman Phillips moved to approve the agenda with the aforementioned changes, seconded by Alderman Nelson.

Motion passed.

Presentation of Minutes

Mayor Haymes presented the minutes from the Board of Aldermen meeting held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022, to the Board for approval. Alderman Phillips moved to approve the minutes from the August 9, 2022 meeting as presented, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

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:

- Chad Neely – Concerns about condition of Public Works shop.

## Ordinance

**Bill No. 2022-20 re:** An Ordinance authorizing execution of a joint use agreement by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri, and Mount Vernon Investments, LLC, 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. 2022-20 was passed by unanimous roll call vote and sent to the Mayor for signature, thus becoming Ordinance Number 14.349.

## Department Reports

### City Administrator

Mr. Kelley held discussion on the following items:

- **Missouri Drive.** Kelley reported that Anderson Engineering received five bids on the Missouri Drive project ranging from \$1,087,855.63 to \$1,186,139.55. Anderson has recommended accepting the Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. bid for \$1,087, 885.63. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve Emery Sapp & Sons bid for Missouri Drive for \$1,087,885.63 and for the City Administrator to sign the Notice of Award, seconded by Alderman Beckley.  
Motion passed.
- **Personnel Committee.** Kelley informed the Board that a Personnel Committee needs to be set to discuss wages for the 2023 Budget. Discussion was held. The Personnel Committee scheduled their meeting for Tuesday, August 30, 2022 at 6:00 pm at City Hall.
- **2022-2023 Gold Class.** Kelley reported that Greater Ozarks Leadership Development (GOLD) class is a regional development program designed for public, private, nonprofit, and civic community leaders in southwest Missouri. Classes are held once a month, beginning in October and running through June. The City has participated in the program throughout the years and this year Public Works Director Dustin Davis and Police Officer Greg Griffith will be attending GOLD Class. Discussion was held.
- **Westport Pools – Change Order #1.** Kelley stated that Westport Pools has submitted Change Order #, which contains the following items:
  - Excavation and hauling of material around the perimeter after the pool walls were sawcut. The cost is \$19,358.00

- Removal of kiddie pool. The cost is \$2,800.00.

Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee moved to approve the request for the City Administrator to sign and pay Change Order #, seconded by Alderman Gramm.

Motion passed.

#### Treasurer

Ms. Weldy held discussion on the following items:

- **Bills Paid.** Weldy presented the bills paid report and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- **FYI – MJMEUC.** Weldy informed the Board that the attached bill for \$572,197.21 was the actual charge on the MJMEUC bill. Discussion was held.
- **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 bills over \$5,000.00 as presented, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

- **July 2022 Treasurer’s Report.** Weldy presented the July 2022 Treasurer’s Report to the Board for approval. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the July 2022 Treasurer’s Report, seconded by Alderman Nelson.

Motion passed.

- **APRA.** Weldy reported to the Board that the City has received the final payment of the APRA money. Discussion was held.
- **Reimbursement Request – Spirit of ’76 Pool.** Weldy informed the Board that she is requesting approval for the City Administrator to sign off on Reimbursement Request 1 for Spirit of ’76 Pool. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the request for the City Administrator to sign and pay the reimbursement request for \$211,995.82, seconded by Alderwoman Lee.

Motion passed.

#### Director of Public Works

Mr. Davis held discussion on the following items:

- **Electric Department – Transformer Purchase.** Davis requested approval to purchase twelve (12) pad mount 25 KVA transformers for the Moore Ranch Estates subdivision for \$66,792.00. Davis stated that this amount 15 percent above the quoted price of \$58,080.00 since transformer costs have been rising. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to purchase the twelve pad mount 25 KVA transformers for the Moore Ranch Estates subdivision for \$66,792.00, seconded by Alderman Nelson.

Motion passed.

- **Wastewater Treatment Plant Purchase.** Davis requested approval to purchase a gearbox for rotor 4 at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for \$8,130.00 plus freight. Discussion was held. Alderman Phillips moved to approve purchase the replacement gear box for rotor 4 at the Wastewater treatment Plant up to \$10,000.00, seconded by Alderman Nelson.

Motion passed.

- **Pool Update.** Davis reported he met with the foreman, and he anticipated excavation will be done the first half of this week and they will start installing piping later this week. Discussion was held. Davis stated the pool renovation is projected to be done in Spring 2023.

Code Enforcement

Mr. Moore held discussion on the following items:

- **Planning & Zoning Report.** Moore didn't have anything to report on but asked the Board if there were any questions or discussion. None brought forth.

Police

Assistant Chief Lacey held discussion on the following items:

- **Statistics for July 2022.** Hubert presented the statistics for July 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. 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 7:46 p.m.

  
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Lowell Phillips, Acting Board President

9/13/2022  
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Melissa Aduddle, City Clerk

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