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# MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 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, September 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Acting President of the Board Lowell Phillips with the following roll call recorded: Scott Beckley, Dallas Gramm, Craig Nelson, Sherie Thrasher, Steve Fairchild, and Marda Gramm. Absent: Jason Haymes and Sue Lee. The following city personnel were also in attendance: Counselor Darlene Parrigon, Treasurer Shari Weldy, Public Works Director Dustin Davis, Chief of Police David Hubert, and City Clerk Melissa Aduddle. Absent: City Administrator Joe Kelley and Code Enforcement Terry Moore.

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

# Approval of the Agenda

Acting Board President Phillips presented the agenda to the Board for approval. The following changes were requested:

• Treasurer:

Add: Taxi Repair

Alderman Beckley moved to approve the agenda with the noted changes, seconded by Alderman Gramm.

Motion passed.

# Presentation of Minutes

Acting Board President Phillips presented the minutes from the Board of Aldermen meeting held on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, to the Board for approval. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the minutes from the August 23, 2022 meeting as presented, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm.

Motion passed.

## Mayoral Proclamation

Acting Board President Phillips presented a Mayoral Proclamation to Sandy Mason, Vice-Regent of the Elkhorn Prairie Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, acknowledging "Constitution Week", which will be honored from September 17, 2022, thru September 23, 2022. Named, as such, with September 17, 2022, marking the 235<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Constitutional Convention.

# Citizen Participation

Acting Board President Phillips 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. 2022-21 re:** An Ordinance authorizing execution of a contract by and between the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri and Emery Sapp & Sons, Inc. for the construction of City of Mount Vernon Missouri Drive Street Expansion Project, Mount Vernon, Missouri, was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

## First Reading:

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

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Lee

# Second Reading:

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

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: Lee

Bill No. 2022-21 was passed by unanimous roll call vote and sent to the Acting Board President for signature, thus becoming Ordinance Number 14.350.

# **Department Reports**

#### City Administrator

Mr. Kelley did not have a report as he was attending the 2022 MML Annual Conference.

#### 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 Thrasher moved to approve the bills over \$5,000.00 including the MJMEUC bill for \$412,903.79, seconded by Alderman Beckley. Motion passed.
- Unclaimed Property. Weldy presented unclaimed property in the amount of \$591.39 and requested to send it to the State. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve sending unclaimed property in the amount of \$591.39 to the State of Missouri, seconded by Alderwoman Thrasher.

Motion passed.

- **Taxi Repair.** Weldy reported that last Thursday Taxi 2 went down while being driven. It has been determined that the transmission has gone out. The three quotes received to rebuild or replace the transmission are as follows:
  - 1. Ford Factory replacement with a 3 year/unlimited mile warranty for \$5,018.27, but they are back ordered, so it could be 3 weeks to 6 months.

- 2. Roger's Transmission rebuild with a 3 year/36,000 mile warranty for \$5,019.60, work will take approximately 3 weeks.
- 3. Ace Transmission remanufactured with a 3 year/36,000 mile warranty for \$5,776.60 with a 2 week completion time.

Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to accept the bid form Roger's Transmission for \$4,300.00 for the transmission and parts and \$719.60 labor to Hill's Automotive for the 2015 Ford E-350 Super Duty, seconded by Alderwoman Thrasher.

Motion passed.

## Director of Public Works

Mr. Davis held discussion on the following items:

• Electric Department – Transformer Purchase. Davis requested approval to purchase a three phase pad mount 150 KVA transformer for the TA project for a total up to \$32,000.00. Discussion was held. Alderman Beckley moved to approve purchase of the three phase pad mount 150 KVA transformer for a total up to \$32,000.00, seconded by Alderman Gramm.

Motion passed.

- Electric Department Materials Purchase. Davis requested approval to purchase 5,000 feet of #2 underground wire, 1000 ft of triplex wire, 18 pedestals and 3 connectors for the Moore Ranch Estates subdivision for a total of up to \$42,000.00. Discussion was held. Alderman Beckley moved to approve purchase of 5,000 feet of #2 underground wire, 1000 ft of triplex wire, 18 pedestals and 3 connectors for a total up to \$42,000.00 for the Moore Ranch Estates, seconded by Alderman Gramm.

  Motion passed.
- Street Department Services Purchase. Davis requested approval on the quote from Blevins Asphalt to repave Division Street from Carl Allen to Hickory Street and repave Blaze Street from Landrum Street to McCanse Street. Davis stated this a budgeted item, but material cost has gone up since then for the price went from \$174,435.00 to \$187,620.00. Discussion was held. Alderman Gramm moved to accept the quote from Blevins Asphalt for \$187,620.00 to repave Division Street from Carl Allen to Hickory Street and repave Blaze Street from Landrum Street to McCanse Street, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

• Parks Department – Golf Course Equipment Purchase. Davis requested approval to purchase a UMAX1 utility golf cart for the golf course for groundskeeping for \$9,524.00. Davis stated this is a budgeted item. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild moved to approve the purchase a UMAX1 utility golf cart for a total of \$9,524.00, seconded by Alderwoman Gramm.

Motion passed.

• Fall Clean Up. Davis informed the Board that Fall Clean-Up is set for Friday, October 1, 2021 from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Saturday, October 2, 2021 from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm. Kelley stated that disabled and handicapped citizens can call City Hall to schedule

curbside pick-up, but they will need to make arrangements before noon on the Thursday prior.

- **Pool Update.** Davis gave an update on the progress of the Spirit of '76 Pool renovation, including that the lazy river is dug out, most of the drains have been installed, and contractors are currently working to install plumbing. Discussion was held.
- Training Update. Davis reported to the Board him, Michael McCullah, and J.J. Waters started Water Distribution class on July 12<sup>th</sup> and completed the class on August 15<sup>th</sup>. All passed their tests, so McCullah and Waters are now DS-3 certified and Davis is DS-1 certified. Discussion was held.

## Code Enforcement

Mr. Moore did not have a report as he was attending the 2022 MML Annual Conference.

## Police

Chief Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Statistics for August 2022. Hubert presented the statistics for August 2022 to the Board for review and requested any discussion. None brought forth.
- Personnel Crossing Guard. Hubert requested approval to hire Jennifer Dunklin as a
  part-time crossing guard, pending the results of the drug test. Discussion was held.
  Alderwoman Thrasher moved to approve hiring Jennifer Dunklin as the new crossing
  guard pending drug test results, seconded by Alderman Beckley.

Motion passed.

#### Old Business

Acting Board President Phillips requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

#### **New Business**

Acting Board President Phillips requested any new business to be brought to the floor for discussion. None brought forth.

# Adjournment

Acting Board President Phillips announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

ason Haymes, Mayor

Date

27/27/22

Melissa Aduddle, City Clerk