

Minutes Approved Tuesday, August 13, 2019

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, MISSOURI ON TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019.

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Mount Vernon, Missouri met in a regularly scheduled meeting, at the regular place of meeting, City Hall, on Tuesday, July 23, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David W. Eden with the following roll call recorded: Scott Beckley, Deanna McElveen, Sherie Thrasher, Steve Fairchild, Sandy Martin and Sue Lee. Absent: Jason Haymes and Lowell Phillips. The following city personnel were also in attendance: City Administrator Max Springer, Counselor William Petrus, Jr., Treasurer Shari Weldy, Director of Public Works Joe Kelley, Code Enforcement Officer Terry Moore, Chief of Police David Hubert and City Clerk Shannon Neely.

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 Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Martin to approve the agenda with the following additions:

- City Administrator Report. Add – Pay Request #3 Storm Water Project
- Director of Public Works Report. Add – Water Tower Discussion

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

Presentation of Minutes.

Mayor Eden presented the minutes from the City Council meeting held on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 to the Board for approval. Alderwoman McElveen made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Martin to approve the minutes as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

Citizen Participation.

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

Ordinance.

Bill No. 2019-012 re: An ordinance amending the Mount Vernon Municipal Code at Section 405.450 (B) regarding the residential accessory use of swimming pools was read twice, by title only, with the following roll call vote recorded:

First Reading:

AYES: Beckley, McElveen, Thrasher, Fairchild, Martin, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes, Phillips

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Second Reading:

AYES: Beckley, McElveen, Thrasher, Fairchild, Martin, Lee

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Haymes, Phillips

Bill No. 2019-012 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 2019-012 thus became Ordinance Number 2.195.

Department Reports.

City Administrator.

Springer held discussion on the following items:

- Sales Tax. Springer presented the Sales Tax revenue report to the Board and held discussion.
- Pay Request #2 – Main Street Project. Springer requested approval to pay \$2,502.44 for engineering services. Springer noted MoDot will reimburse the city for \$2,001.95. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beckley to approve Pay Request #2 as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Pay Request #3 – Sewer Maintenance Project. Springer requested approval to pay \$22,586.74 for items completed in the maintenance rehab project. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman McElveen to approve Pay Request #3 as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Pay Request #6 – 109 N. Hickory Street. Springer requested approval to pay \$107,660.59 for work completed to date on City Hall renovation. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Lee to approve Pay Request #6 as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- City Hall Signage. Springer presented options for signage at 109 N. Hickory Street facility. Discussion was held. Board members asked to have plans brought back to include larger letters, logo and more color. Mayor Eden declared it was a consensus of the Board to have additional plans to choose from.
- Roof Repairs at 600 N. Main St. Springer requested approval to pay \$156,706.76 for roof repairs at the facility. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beckley to proceed with payment as requested. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Transportation Audit. Springer presented the results from the Transportation Audit, conducted on July 11, 2019. Springer reported the city received a good audit with only four (4) recommendations. Discussion was held.
- Pay Request #3 Gibbs Park Storm Water Project. Springer presented a pay request for \$54,170.08 for work completed to date on the project. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Martin to approve pay request #3 as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved. Springer held further discussion on contaminated soil status and cost of skate park.

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- Mid-Continent Equity Holding LLC. Springer reported Mid Continent Equity Holding, LLC is again applying for credits thru the Missouri Housing Development Commission and is requesting letters of support for the development. Discussion was held.
- Silgan Closing. Springer reported he has received notification that the Silgan plant will officially close October 4, 2019. Springer noted the closure will affect approximately twenty (20) employees. Discussion was held.
- MML Conference. Springer reported the annual Missouri Municipal League conference is scheduled for September 8, 2019 through September 11, 2019 in St. Charles, Missouri and requested if anyone on the Board wished to attend.

Treasurer.

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. Weldy presented the Bills over \$5,000 and requested approval to pay. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman McElveen to approve payment as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- June 2019 Treasurer Report. Weldy presented the June 2019 Treasurer Report to the Board for approval. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fairchild to approve request as presented. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Six-month Financial. Weldy reported the six-month financial statement will be posted in the Lawrence County Record on July 24, 2019 as required by Code §110.100. Discussion was held.

Director of Public Works.

- Request to purchase transformer. Kelley requested permission to purchase a 100 KVA transformer for inventory replacement. Kelley noted the price for transformer is \$17,862.20. Discussion was held. Alderwoman Lee made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Martin to proceed with payment for replacement transformer. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.
- Additional Items of Discussion. Kelley reported maintenance and painting on water tower #7 will begin on July 24, 2019. Discussion was held.

Code Enforcement.

Moore held discussion on the following items:

- 1004 S. Market St. Moore reported the owner has been notified of the need to clean up property but has not contacted the city. Discussion was held.
- ICC Webinar. Moore reported he participated in a webinar on July 10, 2019 which addressed dangerous buildings.

Police.

Hubert held discussion on the following items:

- Employment. Hubert requested permission to hire Danial Dunklin as a police officer. Discussion was held. Alderman Fairchild made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beckley

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to proceed with hiring Mr. Dunklin as recommended. With all present members voting in favor, Mayor Eden declared the motion approved.

- Employee Training. Hubert reported the following officers participated in training:
 - Assistant Chief Jason Lacey attended D.A.R.E. conference in Kansas City, MO.
 - Police Officer David Young attended criminal testing in Jefferson City, MO

New Business.

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

Old Business.

Mayor Eden requested any old business to be brought to the floor for discussion.

- Springer reported the Request for Proposal for Residential Single Source Solid Waste Sanitation Services are due August 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.
- Alderwoman Martin requested discussion on status of 600 N. Main Street facility. Springer reported Mr. Chapin has been working very hard at showing the facility. Discussion was held.
- Mayor Eden reminded the Board and all in attendance of the special dedication service scheduled for Saturday, July 28, 2019 at 109 N. Hickory Street conducted by the Mount Vernon Masonic Lodge.

Adjournment.

Mayor Eden announced there being no further business listed on the agenda to come before the Board, the meeting is adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

David W. Eden, Mayor

Date

Shannon K. Neely, City Clerk

Date