

Regular Board Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2023 – 6:00 p.m.

Present: Aldermen – Troy Renner, Dennis Williams, Myrna Carothers and Patrick Parker, City Attorney Jim McConnell, City Administrator Dennie Carothers, Police Chief Raymon Barton, Fire Chief Chris Wilson, City Superintendent David Burnet and City Clerk Cindy Bowman

Absent: Mayor Dorothy Lanpher

Mayor Pro-tem Williams called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance.

There was no public comment.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to amend the agenda by moving the Superintendent Report up to follow New Business. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously. It was decided to do this on all future agendas.

Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to approve the agenda as amended. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Williams offered congratulation to City Administrator Dennie Carothers for being awarded the Missouri Public Utilities Alliance Paul Jensen Individual Achievement Award and City Clerk Bowman for receiving the Certified Municipal Clerk designation through the International Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2023 regular session. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The treasurer's report was given as follows:

Balance Brought Forward:	\$1,480,697.75
Deposits:	\$122,921.80
Checks:	\$176,319.30
Ending Balance:	\$1,427,300.25

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to accept the treasurer's reports. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to approve the payment of the city bills. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the annual Safety Dinner. A tentative date of December 8th, at 6:30 pm was set. The Clarence Baseball Association was asked to provide the meal. More details will be worked out later.

The Superintendent report was reviewed. Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to approve the Superintendent Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Fire Chief Wilson presented the Fire Chief report. Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to accept the Fire Chief report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The Police Chief report was reviewed. Discussion was held regarding banning a citizen from City Hall unless the Police are present. There was also discussion about the incident where a citizen from outside the city limits had placed tires into the City trash dumpster illegally. There was camera footage of the incident that has been turned over to DNR. Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to accept the Police Chief Report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The City Clerk report was reviewed next. City Clerk Bowman stated that someone had purchased a camping punch card and had reserved spots to finish up the card in September. The couple were not able to stay due to illness and had asked to carry over the remaining nights on the card to 2024. Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, allow an exception in this instance. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderwoman Carothers, to appoint Lexi Pantaleo and Cassidy Johnston to the Library Board. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Alderwoman Carothers moved, with a second by Alderman Parker to accept the City Clerk report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Carothers stated that he had located a used floor scrubber from Clean & Shine with very low hours and one year of warranty remaining. Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to purchase the scrubber for \$5,500.00. On voice vote, the motion carried 3-0 with Williams abstaining.

Administrator Carothers updated the Board on the ruling regarding the FERC case with Panhandle Eastern. The city should receive more than \$100,000.00 in the settlement. City Clerk Bowman stated that the city had not passed on the higher transportation costs to the customers in the annual rate calculations for natural

gas rates. Once the refund payment is received, the fuel surcharge for the February 21 incident could be discontinued. City Clerk Bowman will provide documentation at the next meeting.

A request has been made to place a used double-wide home on the lots at the corner of Elm and Pearl streets. This area is zoned for R-1. The Zoning Inspector will need to inspect the home and refer the matter to the Zoning Commission for further review. The property owner would need to apply for a special use permit.

Alderman Parker moved, with a second by Alderman Renner, to accept the City Administrator report. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Under Miscellaneous, it was discussed what could be done regarding the condition of the property at 807 Old 36. Implementing a City Business License was also discussed. City Clerk Bowman and Attorney McConnell will do further investigation on the matter.

Alderman Renner moved, with a second by Alderman Parker, to adjourn the meeting. On voice vote, the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Bowman
City Clerk

Approved 11/16/2023