

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2018
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Rhorer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 2, 2018 at 815 East Broadway, Ashland, Missouri.

Mayor Rhorer led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Rhorer called the roll:

Ward One: Leslie Martin-here, Danny Clay-here
Ward Two: Jesse Bronson-here, James Fasciotti-here
Ward Three: Rick Lewis-here, Jeff Sapp-here

Staff Present: Fred Boeckmann, City Attorney, Darla Sapp, City Clerk, Shelley Martin, Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk, Coby Morris, Public Works Department and Lyn Woolford, Police Chief/City Administrator.

Mayor Rhorer presented the agenda of January 2, 2018 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented the minutes of December 19, 2017 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Terry Merritt from Alliance Water Resources to discuss authorization for wastewater daily operations. Terry Merritt stated he was contacted by Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, that they city received a resignation notice from the Wastewater Operator. He presented a statement of qualifications to the Board explaining their company provides professional operations and maintenance services for wastewater service and operations. He stated they have been in business for over 35 years. He gave an overview of their management, daily operations, operating procedures, preventative maintenance program, budget development and capital improvement. Mr. Merritt presented information on the corporate partnership and support services, compliance review, communications, system safety program, emergency response program, laboratory quality assurance and quality control program. He explained the management, human resource and technical support, financial support and computer services. He gave an overview of the key personnel and their credentials; He provided the Board with information on other communities they provide service to. Mayor Rhorer suggested a one-hour workshop to review this. Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, reported that our employee has one week left and then we will not have an operator. Mr. Merritt reported he would be willing to work with the City until we can get something worked out. Mr. Merritt stated they want to get approval to negotiate a contract with the City. He stated this is non-binding and allows them to negotiate a scope of services and cost to the city for the wastewater treatment facility and department.

Mayor Rhorer asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board to come to the podium and state their name and address.

Dave Westhoff stated he was present if the Board had any additional questions on his rezoning request.

Cecil Payne reported he was here on behalf of Ordinance No. 1157. He stated the buyer and some leadership from the Church was present if they had any questions on their rezoning request.

Jim Greene, Treasurer of the Church stated he could not make the last meeting but he could provide any documents the Board of Aldermen needed.

Mayor Rhorer presented Council Bill No. 2018-001 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Council Bill No. 2018-001, an ordinance calling the question whether to impose a sales tax of one-half of one percent to fund storm water control and local parks. First reading by title only. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried. Mayor Rhorer reported this would allow us to put on the ballot a one-half of one percent tax for stormwater control and parks. He explained we currently do not have a revenue stream for these two line items other than the general fund. He stated if this sales tax passes it would allow us monies to hire another police officer from the general fund.

Mayor Rhorer presented Council Bill No. 2018-002 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to take up Council Bill No. 2018-002, an ordinance approving an addendum to the solid waste management contract with Allied Waste services, LLC. First reading by title only. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Lyn Woolford reported this was a decrease in rates that took effect in October but we did not have an official addendum to the contract. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1151 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to take up Ordinance No. 1151, an ordinance to amend Chapter 20 of the Code of the City of Ashland to add a provision on school zone speed limits. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Lyn Woolford stated we changed this to include when school is session. Alderman Fasciotti questioned the language. They explained it was for school zone areas with flashing lights and zones with no flashing lights but signs. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1152 for consideration. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1152 an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into an engineering assistance program agreement with the Mo. Highways & Transportation Commission. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, reported this is for the traffic study to see if there is a better solution to the traffic flow at Henry Clay and Broadway intersection. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1153 for consideration. Alderman Clay made motion and seconded by Alderman Bronson to take up Ordinance No. 1153, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a subdivision warranty agreement for Cartwright Business and Technology Park. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer reported this starts the three year warranty period on the infrastructure. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1154 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1154, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a subdivision warranty agreement for Sunset Meadows Phase 2. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1155 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1155, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Law Enforcement RMS/JMS Cooperative Cost Share agreement with Boone County, Missouri. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, reported this is to enter into a 5 year payment agreement for the new records management system. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1156 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to take up Ordinance No. 1156, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a document authorizing the City to obtain access to Superior public safety software licensed by Boone County. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer reported this is to allow the police department access to the software on the records management system. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1157 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1157, an ordinance to change the zoning of a parcel of land from R-1 Single Family to Office District for 205 South Main Street. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1158 for consideration. Alderman Clay made motion and seconded by Alderman Bronson to take up Ordinance No. 1158, an ordinance to change the zoning of a parcel of land from R-1 single family residential to General Commercial for Westhoff Rentals, LLC. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1159 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1159, an ordinance authorizing the appropriation of funds to certain accounts within the fiscal year 2018 Budget. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Shelley Martin, City Treasurer reported this is to make a line item for the TEAP grant, which is the traffic study for Henry Clay Blvd. and Broadway. Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, reported we received this grant and it was not included in the budget. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Rhorer suggested during the winter months we think about changing the start time of the meetings to 6:00 p.m. Alderman Sapp reported he is currently working an hour away and does not get back in town until 6:45 p.m. He stated it might be possible for him to take off early on the meeting days.

City Administrator/Police Chiefs Report:

Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, had no report on the real estate tax income for December.

He reported he has decreased the amount of the energy at the City Hall building by 14 percent less energy used on the City Hall side and 19 percent less energy used on his side of the building. He stated he has been turning off lights.

Lyn Woolford, City Administrator, reported that Dale Helms called and complained about the speeding on Johnson Street and asked for a speed bump to be installed. Lyn Woolford reported he would place the speed trailer on the street to get some data on this complaint.

Lyn Woolford asked that the Board vote on allowing the negotiations for wastewater daily operations with Alliance Water Resources. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to begin negotiations with Alliance Water Resources for wastewater operations. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

City Attorney's Report:

Fred Boeckmann, City Attorney, reported that Chapter 2 does state the time the meetings are to be held. He stated we could repeal this and make amendments.

Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Bronson reported his neighbor's home burned on New Year's Eve. He thanked the first responders and the residents for helping the family in their time of need.

Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Gene Rhorer, Mayor