

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2015  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES  
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Rhorer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on January 6, 2015 at 815 East Broadway.

Alderman Anderson gave the invocation.

Mayor Rhorer led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Rhorer called the roll:

Ward One: George Campbell-here, George Elliott-here

Ward Two: Jeff Anderson-here, James Fasciotti-here

Ward Three: Anthony Taggart-here, Fred Klippel-absent

Staff Present: Darla Sapp, City Clerk, Lyn Woolford, Police Chief, Jessi Kendall, Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk, Josh Hawkins, City Administrator.

Mayor Rhorer presented the agenda for January 6, 2015 for consideration. Alderman Anderson made motion and seconded by Alderman Campbell to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented the minutes for December 2, 2014 for consideration. Alderman Anderson made motion and seconded by Alderman Fasciotti to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board.

Alderman Campbell discussed the extremely high engineering bills. The Board discussed this and the Mayor and City Administrator is reviewing the engineering services.

Anyone wishing to appear before the Board.

Bryan Bradford introduced himself and expressed his interest to serve on the Park and Recreation Board.

Jeffrey Sapp introduced himself and expressed his interest on serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission or Board of Adjustment.

Mayor Rhorer presented Bryan Bradford to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board. Alderman Taggart made motion and seconded by Alderman Fasciotti to appoint Bryan Bradford to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board. The Board of Aldermen asked various questions to Mr.

Bradford. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Anderson-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Elliott-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Taggart-aye, Alderman Klippel-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Sandra Harris to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board. Ms. Harris was not present at the meeting. Alderman Fasciotti made motion and seconded by Alderman Campbell to postpone the application until Ms. Harris could be present. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Anderson-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Elliott-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Taggart-aye, Alderman Klippel-absent. Motion carried. Alderman Anderson asked we were going to require all applicants to be present. The Board discussed this and felt they should be present or have a representative endorsing them.

Mayor Rhorer presented Jeffrey Sapp to serve on the Planning and Zoning Board. Alderman Anderson made motion and seconded by Alderman Elliott to appoint Jeffrey Sapp to serve on the Planning and Zoning Board. The Board of Aldermen asked various questions to Mr. Sapp. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Taggart-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Elliott-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Anderson-aye, Alderman Klippel-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Council Bill No. 2015-001 for consideration. Alderman Campbell made motion and seconded by Alderman Elliott to take up Council Bill No. 2015-001, an ordinance to amend Chapter 9, Planning and Zoning, of the code of the City of Ashland. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Alderman Anderson questioned the process and clarity in whom people are suppose to guide them through the process from the City. City Administrator, Josh Hawkins explained they have scheduled meetings with everyone involved for site plans and this has had positive feedback.

Alderman Fred Klippel joined the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Rhorer building permit process is more stream lined and we have a better time line. The Board discussed the 6 foot buffer on the parking spaces to residential property. The Board discussed this at length. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Taggart-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Elliott-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Anderson-aye, Alderman Klippel-aye. Motion carried.

Alderman Fasciotti made motion and seconded by Alderman Elliott to take a break at 7:43 p.m. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer called the meeting back to order at 7:53 p.m.

Mayor Rhorer presented Council Bill No. 2015-002 for consideration. Alderman Anderson made motion and seconded by Alderman Elliott to take up Council Bill No. 2015-002, an

ordinance to amend Chapter 11; Subdivision Regulations, of the Code of the City of Ashland. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. The Board asked various questions relating to this Council Bill. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Klippel-aye, Alderman Anderson-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Elliott-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Taggart-aye. Motion carried.

#### Chief Woolford's monthly report:

Chief Woolford gave an overview of the yearly calls for service. He updated the Board on the body cameras and gave a presentation to how they worked. He reported in their packet was information on misconceptions of body cameras. He informed the Board they did not receive the grant for in car cameras but he is looking at other grant options. They discussed the need to purchase the cameras even if funding is not available. Chief Woolford reported the light duty officer will be return to full service on the 28th of January. Chief Woolford gave an update on the testing time and K2 Spice. The Board discussed this at length. Chief Woolford reported they would be notifying the convenience store of the ordinance the Board passed. Chief Woolford presented the crash data on Liberty Lane and Hwy 63 that Megan Young compiled for him. Mayor Rhorer stated he would be presenting this to MoDot. Chief Woolford reported they have their policy manual complete and it would be in effect the first of February.

#### Mayor's Report:

Mayor Rhorer discussed the need to an increase in utility deposits. He explained the deposit does not cover the average utility bill. The Board was in agreement to placing this on the agenda for consideration.

Mayor Rhorer reported the second item he would like to propose an administrative processing fee on building permits. He reported we currently don't get income other than the \$25.00 driveway permit. He explained it takes anywhere from forty minutes to two hours of city staff time. The consensus of the Board was to bring it forward for consideration at the next meeting.

#### Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Klippel apologized for being late tonight. Alderman Klippel discussed his ride a long experience with the police officer.

Alderman Anderson asked about the memo from Republic Services. Mayor Rhorer reported it would be placed on the next agenda.

Alderman Anderson questioned the bills for the deicer, generator and Allstate Consultants. Fred Boeckmann explained the process of selecting engineering firm. Josh Hawkins, City Administrator reported he is reviewing the engineering fees. Alderman Anderson discussed the

99 Dodge pickup and reviewing if it is time to get rid of it. He reported there is only a few months left in this fiscal year and he wanted to know if there was any interest trying to get MoDot to work with the City at the Henry Clay and Broadway intersection. Mayor Rhorer reported that MoDot engineer was already working on this. Alderman Anderson asked if there was interest in requiring rental property inspections. Mayor Rhorer polled the Board and the consensus was not to pursue it.

Alderman Anderson commented on the lower fuel prices being consistent with Columbia.

Alderman Elliott stated 2014 was a big transition year and reviewed the accomplishments of the YMCA, body camera's, fuel prices and Angel Lane.

Alderman Taggart reported he would like to revisit the city water bill and decreasing the property taxes. The consensus of the Board was to discuss the city water and sewer bill rates. Josh Hawkins, City Administrator reported he would check on this since we passed a bond issue he was not sure if this could be considered.

Mayor Rhorer asked what the consensus of considering reducing the property tax was. The consensus was not to consider this.

City Administrator's Report:

Josh Hawkins, reported he would have an overview of the city, how far we have come and new goals for the upcoming year.

Alderman Anderson suggested finding out if the rate decrease could be possible before placing it on the agenda. Josh Hawkins reported he would get an opinion on this.

Josh Hawkins reported we do need to increase the water deposits and add an administrative processing fee on building permits. They discussed the building permit fees and process. He discussed Hunter's Circle water and the possibility of turning this over to the Consolidated Public Water District.

Mr. Hawkins reminded the Board of the study being conducted by Catholic Charities of Missouri for community preparedness. He encouraged the Board to participate in this.

He updated the Board on migrating to google mail and documents. He stated we would be merging in the next couple of weeks.

Mr. Hawkins discussed a historic preservation grant to help pay for fitness trail and bridge. The Board discussed the parks needing some improvement.

He updated the Board on the next planning session next Tuesday at the American Legion at 7:00 p.m.

Alderman Campbell stated we needed to be prepared to respond to development.

City Attorney's Report:

Fred Boeckmann updated the Board on the Century Link settlement agreement.

Alderman Anderson made motion and seconded by Alderman Klippel to adjourn the meeting.  
Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Gene Rhorer, Mayor