



TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2017  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES  
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Rhorer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on August 15, 2017 at 815 East Broadway, Ashland, Missouri.

Mayor Rhorer led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Rhorer called the roll:

Ward One: George Campbell-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, Shelley Martin, Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk and Lyn Woolford, Police Chief/City Administrator.

Mayor Rhorer called the public hearing to order on the proposed 2017 property tax rate. He called for questions or comments from the public. No public comment.

Mayor Rhorer closed the public hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Mayor Rhorer presented the agenda of August 15, 2017 for consideration. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Bronson to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carries.

Mayor Rhorer presented the minutes of August 1, 2017 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carries.

Mayor Rhorer stated the next item on the agenda is Ronnie Baker to discuss starting a Lion's Club in Ashland, Mo. Ronnie Martin came to the podium and introduced himself to the Mayor and Aldermen, correcting his last name. Mr. Martin stated he was from Texas and he was with Lion's Club international. Mr. Martin stated the district governor was here and he wants to put a club in your town. We have done some research. If you do not know about the Lion's Club, we have 1.4 million volunteers in multiple countries and territories, but what we are really about is the community. He went on to say if the community wants a splash pad for the park or a skate board area for the park, the Lion's Club gives communities matching grants up to \$100,000.00 every 90 days.

If you want to put a splash pad in the park, the Club, the Optimist and the City can come together; the Lion's Club will match the donations. They will do anything that includes kids that are handicapped. He stated the Financial Times rated the Lion's Club number one in non-governmental agencies in the world and the number one organization in the world to collaborate with law enforcement. Mr. Martin stated if the Police Chief wanted a canine unit or Tasers the Lion's Club could donate the funds necessary for those items. Lion's Club is about taking care of the people here; the money stays here. The cost is \$35.00 to join, \$6.00 dollars a month, no mandatory meetings, no attendance records are kept. We want to partner with the City. We will stay to the end of the meeting should you have any questions.

Mayor Rhorer asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board. No one came forward.

Mayor Rhorer presented for appointment Paul Bueselinck to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay. Mayor states that Mr. Beuselinck comes to us with many years of experience on the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Bronson said he was impressed on Mr. Bueselinck's education background. Alderman Fasciotti stated he thought he was already a member of Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Beuselinck stated he was a member of the Board of Adjustment and would prefer to remain on the Board of Adjustment, as they do not meet as often. Alderman Fasciotti asked if he could do both. Mr. Beuselinck stated he thought he could. Mayor Rhorer asked for further comments. Alderman Sapp stated he served on the Planning and Zoning Commission with Mr. Beuselinck and he always has many good questions and he would welcome him back. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Council Bill 2017-032 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Council Bill No. 2017-032, an ordinance establishing the property tax rate for the City of Ashland for the Year 2017 and amending Chapter 5; Tax Rates; Appendix A-1 of the Ashland Municipal Code. First reading by title only. Mayor Rhorer called for questions and comments. Mayor Rhorer asked if this was the same or different from last year. Shelley Martin responded that it was the same. Alderman Fasciotti asked if last year's rate was a reduction. Lyn Woolford stated he did not recall when the rate had reduced, but the 2017 rate is the same as last year's rate. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Clay-aye and Alderman Lewis-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1131 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to take up Ordinance No. 1131, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a cooperative agreement with Southern Boone School District to pay for a hard surface drive serving City and School District Property. Lyn Woolford stated, this road services the south water tower and it would be an extension of Red Tail Drive.

He further stated it would serve the school and the City. Alderman Fasciotti asked who was financing the extension. Lyn Woolford stated the school was paying half and the City was paying half, approximately \$11,500.00, total cost. Alderman Lewis asked who would be responsible for the maintenance of the road. Lyn Woolford stated that he had not discussed maintenance of the road with the school. Mayor Rhorer commented that this would be a public road. Lyn Woolford stated the road would assist with dropping off children and possibly in the future extending it to West Red Tail Drive in Liberty Landing. Lyn Woolford stated the developer of Liberty Landing would like to see this added, as well as emergency services, however there are easement issues at this time prohibiting further extension. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye and Alderman Campbell-aye. Motion carries.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1132, for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to take up Ordinance No. 1132, an ordinance amending the 2012 International Fire Code. Mr. Woolford stated this was to amend the City's code to match that of the fire district's code so that the City code was in agreement with the Southern Boone County Fire District's code. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye and Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carries.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1133, for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1133, an ordinance establishing the property tax rate for the City of Ashland for the Year 2017 and amending Chapter 5: Tax Rates; Appendix A-1 of the Ashland Municipal Code. Mayor Rhorer stated this was a second reading since the County was late supplying the City with the information. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye and Alderman Clay-aye. Motion carries.

Mayor Rhorer presented a letter of resignation from Randy Burhans from the Parks and Recreation Board. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to accept Randy Burhans' resignation. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye and Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented a letter of resignation from Debbie Richardson from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Bronson to accept Debbie Richardson's resignation. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Campbell-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Fasciotti-aye, Alderman Clay-aye and Alderman Lewis-aye. Motion carried.

#### Mayor's Report:

Mayor Rhorer stated that it had been too late to put on the agenda to discuss Central Concrete. Mayor Rhorer stated that Central Contract had not paid sales tax owed to the City of Ashland. He stated that he requested and received a promissory note from the owner of Central Concrete stating that Central Concrete would rectify this. Mayor Rhorer stated that if Central Concrete did not rectify this issue he was in favor of pulling their business license. Mayor Rhorer further stated the topic would be on the next agenda for discussion.

#### Police Chief's Report/City Administrator:

Lyn Woolford reported that the City had received hard copies of the City Audit and there were no deficiencies. Copies for the board will be distributed the next meeting.

Lyn Woolford stated the utility adjustments for the month were a total of \$326.00. Alderman Lewis asked how many customers that was. The response was 19 due to the movement of some delinquent accounts.

Lyn Woolford advised that a meeting regarding the speed bump would be held September 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the new primary gymnasium. He further stated that door hangers will be hung thru the neighborhood.

Lyn Woolford advised the Park tax brochure is still under discussion. Lyn Woolford stated that the County of Boone was encouraging a use tax which would be on merchandise sold on-line. He stated that this may be more advisable than a Park tax. Mayor Rhorer and Lyn Woolford advised the board that there would be a meeting August 18<sup>th</sup> at the County Building to discuss the use tax. Lyn Woolford stated he would be attending this meeting to gather more information about the tax. Mayor Rhorer stated he would like the topic put on the next agenda.

Lyn Woolford reported that sales tax was down but it was not necessarily alarming as history shows it tends to go up and down. Mayor Rhorer stated we needed to watch the trend. Alderman Fasciotti stated it does not look alarming at this time. Lyn Woolford also stated the income for the street department was down which is what they operate on.

Lyn Woolford stated he was meeting with the Regional Planning Commission for a grant application for what is the best fix for Henry Clay and Broadway to increase efficiency in that area.

Lyn Woolford advised the City Hall security system had been installed and it was inconspicuous. He stated he would like to add audio to the camera in the front lobby. He stated the system retains data for 44 days.

Lyn Woolford reported that public works was preparing for street overlays with Christian Paving. Manhole lining was about to begin again as well as new lines had been painted on the parking spaces on Broadway and cross walks at Liberty Lane. Lyn Woolford also stated he was having Coby Morris replace the school zone signs as they are faded.

Lyn Woolford reminded everyone that the eclipse was Monday. All patrol officers were working along with all public works staff. Extra port-a-potties were being placed, along with trash cans. An advisory was posted on Facebook for possible traffic congestion.

Lyn Woolford stated the Magic car wash open house will be on the first day of the rodeo. The rodeo parade is on Saturday at 2:00 p.m. and will travel down Optimist Drive, Henry Clay, Main Street and Broadway. Mayor Rhorer asked about the city's new website. Lyn Woolford stated that Megan Young was working on updating it with information and it should be ready to launch the first part of September.

Lyn Woolford suggested the Board discuss if a Park Tax or Use Tax should be pursued. Mayor Rhorer asked the issue be added to the next agenda.

City Attorney's Report:

Fred Boeckmann had nothing to report.

Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Lewis had nothing to report.

Alderman Fasciotti had nothing to report.

Alderman Clay had nothing to report.

Alderman Campbell reported that he contacted Larry Potterfield in reference to Central Concrete. He advised that he learned that the general contractor and sub-contractors were choosing the concrete companies that were currently supplying concrete to the development. These choices were based on costs.

Alderman Bronson reported that the Park Board had discussed the use tax at their last meeting. He stated the Park Board asked how it was going to be enforced. Alderman Bronson stated he asked the Park Board to come up with a budget analysis on what the parks needed. The annual holiday tree lighting has no date set. Alderman Bronson stated the Park Board was waiting to hear from the Optimist on breakfast with Santa to coincide with the tree lighting. Alderman Bronson stated that the Park Board would need some straw for the event. He also said that Park Board member Vee Fasciotti would like a poker tournament in November to raise funds for the Park Board. Alderman Bronson thanked Lyn Woolford for the new lines on the street.

Alderman Sapp reported that the streetlight at Chico and West Broadway is not functioning.

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

Shelley Martin, Deputy City Clerk

Mayor, Gene Rhorer