

AUGUST 16, 2011
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jackson called the Public Hearing to order on the Proposed Property Tax Rate for 2011 at 7:00 p.m. Darla Sapp, City Clerk reported the state has set the tax rate ceiling for the City at 0.2612 for general revenue. She reported we paid off our debt service last year. Mayor Jackson presented the property tax rate history from 1962 to current.

Mayor Jackson asked for public comment on the tax rate. No one came forth.

Mayor Jackson closed the public hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order on August 16, 2011 at 7:05 p.m. at Ashland City Hall, 109 East Broadway.

Alderman Uhrig gave the invocation.

Mayor Jackson led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Jackson called the roll:

Ward One: David Thomas-here, Barbara Henke-Christopher-here

Ward Two: Randy Wyatt-here, Mike Calvert-here

Ward Three: Matt Uhrig-here, Carl Long-here

Staff Present: Kelly Henderson, City Administrator, Charles Senzee, Community Development Director, Darla Sapp, City Clerk and David Bandre, City Attorney.

Mayor Jackson presented the agenda for August 16, 2011 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented the minutes of August 2, 2011 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Jackson called for corrections or questions. Alderman Calvert reported he voted nay on Ordinance No. 896. Mayor Jackson called for the vote with the correction. Motion Carried. Alderman Thomas-abstained.

Mayor Jackson presented the bills to be paid for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to pay the bills as presented. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. The Board questioned several bills. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Gene Rhorer to serve on the Parks and Recreation Board and Ashland Fall Festival Committee. Alderman Long made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Henke-Christopher to appoint Gene Rhorer to the Parks and Recreation Board and Ashland Fall Festival Committee. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-029 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2011-029, an ordinance of the City of Ashland, Missouri to establish a procedure to disclose potential conflicts of interest and substantial interests for certain municipal officials. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson reported we are required to adopt this annually. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Long-

aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-030 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to take up Council Bill No. 2011-030, an ordinance establishing a property tax rate for the City of Ashland for the Year 2011 and amending Chapter 5; Tax Rates, Appendix A-1 of the Ashland Municipal Code. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-031 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Henke-Christopher to take up Council Bill No. 2011-031, an ordinance approving the final plat for Liberty Landing, Plat No. 2. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave a brief overview of this and gave a staff report. Alderman Calvert questioned how many entrances to the subdivision there will be. Charles Senzee reported there will be two off of Liberty Lane. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-032 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Calvert to take up Council Bill No. 2011-032, an ordinance approving the final plat for Liberty Landing, Plat No. 3. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave a brief overview of this and gave a staff report. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-033 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Calvert to take up Council Bill No. 2011-033, an ordinance approving the final plat for Liberty Landing, Plat No. 4. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave a brief overview of this and gave a staff report. He reported the Planning and Zoning Commission had great discussion regarding Lot 111 dedication for green space. The Board discussed this at length. David Bandre, City Attorney questioned the storm drainage running across that lot. The Board felt this was not a useable lot for a park. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director reported the Planning and Zoning Commission has asked to look at making improvements to the code and setting out ~~perimeters~~* parameters for green space at their next meeting. Alderman Uhrig made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to amend the motion to not accept the dedication of lot 111. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye. Motion Carried. Mayor Jackson called for the vote on the approval of the first reading of the Council Bill No. 2011-033. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye. Motion Carried. *amended 9-06-2011 Board Meeting*

Mayor Jackson presented Ordinance No. 899 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Ordinance No. 899, an ordinance establishing a property tax rate for the City of Ashland for the year 2011 and amending Chapter 5; Tax Rates, Appendix A-1 of the Ashland Municipal Code. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Kelly Henderson discussed the Hancock amendment and setting tax rate ceiling. The Board discussed revenue sources for the City. The Board discussed doing an analysis of where the property tax rate would take us in the future and also the possibility of proposing to the voters a dedicated tax revenue. Mr. Henderson recommended a citizen committee to look at this. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Calvert-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board. No one came forth.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Jackson reminded the Board of the Chamber of Commerce Economic Development luncheon for Thursday at noon. He stated that Mr. Josh Beck would be the guest speaker. He encouraged the Board to attend. He informed the Board that the Main Street Improvement public meeting has been scheduled for September 6, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. He reported the school would also be participating. He asked that the discussion of municipal court be added to the next meeting agenda. Mayor Jackson asked for help in nominations for citizen and business of year for the fall festival.

City Administrator's Report:

Kelly Henderson updated the Board on the wastewater treatment system. He reported that an executive session at the next meeting for possible litigation be added to the agenda. Mr. Henderson reported the progress on installing new water meters in route 3 and the bridge replacement project at the park. He updated the Board on the Angel Lane road repair. He informed the Board that Chester Bross Construction Company, the contractor for the State Highway Department wants to put a temporary batch plant somewhere in this area. He stated that Commissioner Miller, Chester Bross and the City are working on a written agreement. Mr. Henderson updated the Board on stormwater project at 506 and 508 Pacer and Caspian Circle.

Alderman Calvert questioned if we did the testing and inspections in Setter's Knoll. Kelly Henderson reported that the cost estimate for testing and inspections for Setters Knoll is \$20,000.00. It was discussed that we would test before we accept the infrastructure.

City Attorney's Report:

David Bandre reported he has been working with the Police Chief, Mick Wilson and the City Administrator on municipal court.

Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Thomas reported shrubs and other landscaping blocking the view of traffic at the intersection of College Street/Broadway.

Alderman Wyatt updated the Board on a Chamber Economic Development Committee meeting himself and Mr. Henderson attended last Friday. He stated one topic of discussion was the City not belonging to R.E.D.I. He stated that if the City joined the Committee would have a representative go to the meetings and update the Board of Aldermen. The Board discussed this at length and felt the Board of Aldermen did not have a direction yet on economic development. Mayor Jackson reported we would have this as a work session in September.

Alderman Calvert reported he has received positive feedback on having night court, as well as keeping the money in Ashland instead of Boone County.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Calvert to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Michael P. Jackson, Mayor