

FEBRUARY 17, 2009
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Asmus called the meeting to order on February 17, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Ashland City Hall, 109 East Broadway.

Mike Jackson gave the invocation.

Mayor Asmus led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Asmus called the roll:

Ward One: David Thomas-here, Larry Reberry-absent

Ward Two: Randy Wyatt-here, One vacancy

Ward Three: Barbara Bishop-here, Mike Jackson-here

Staff Present: Mayor Mike Asmus, Chris Heard, City Administrator, David Bandre', City Attorney, John Fraga, Public Works Director and Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Debbie Stone 519 North Henry Clay Blvd., Caroline Selby 14380 Crump Lane and Jim Fasciotti 503 Eagle Lakes Drive spoke in support of Officer Anthony "Nino" Consiglio for Police Chief.

Presentation of the proposed ½ percent sales tax for transportation was presented by Mayor Asmus. He reported that he, Alderman Jackson and Chris Heard put together the presentation on the ½ cent transportation tax. He informed the board of future presentations in the community. The board discussed the proposed tax and use of tax.

Mayor Asmus presented the agenda for February 17, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to accept the agenda. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the minutes of February 03, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to consider the minutes as presented. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

John Fraga, Public Works Director gave his monthly presentation. He updated the board on several projects his department has been working on. He informed the board he has applied for a grant from the Department of Natural Resources on abandoning Well No. 2.

Alderman Jackson asked if the street inventory list was completed. It was reported it was and he would share it with the board at the next meeting.

Alderwoman Bishop reported Salinda Drive has a wash board effect.

Alderman Thomas asked about the crack sealing on the roads.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 803 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Ordinance No. 803, An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into the Boone County Road Improvement/Repair Cooperative Agreement with Boone County, Mo. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Mayor Asmus called for

the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Reberry-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-004 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bishop to take up Council Bill No. 2009-004, An ordinance granting the authority to close a bank account and to transfer the funds to general fund. First Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Chris Heard reported that the auditors recommended consolidating this fund into the general fund. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Reberry-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the bills to be paid for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to pay the bills as presented. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. The board asked various questions. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus asked if anyone wished to appear before the board.

Mayor Asmus reported the next item on the agenda was to review the scope of bank services to be bid. The board discussed this proposal. Chris Heard said these would be out by weeks end. The board was to review this and get back with the City Administrator by close of work on Thursday for any corrections in the proposal.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Asmus reported that David Bandre wrote a letter to the News Tribune for his role in other communities.

Mayor Asmus thanked Mike Jackson for his time in working on the ½ sales tax transportation presentation and on serving on the building committee.

Mayor Asmus updated the board on the federal stimulus and what it could mean for our community.

Mayor Asmus reported he would be testifying on the proposed guest tax.

Mayor Asmus reported the Planning and Zoning Commission has received the final draft on the comprehensive plan from the Regional Planning Commission. He reported the Planning and Zoning Commission is holding a work session on February 19.

City Attorney's Report:

David Bandre apologized for being late tonight. He updated the board on the T-Mobile phone tax. He reported he has received questions about he police chief position. Updated the board on a bill on liability of home sewer back ups.

City Administrator Report:

Chris Heard stated he would take questions on his memo. He updated the board on the city hall renovation and reported we should see some closure by next meeting. He informed the board that he would present a revised personnel manual at the next board meeting.

Alderman Thomas asked the status of the Chamber banners. Chris Heard reported they are waiting on a map for placement of the banners.

Alderman Wyatt asked the status of non compliance of a sidewalk on South Main Street. Chris Heard reported he is working through this issue as well as a driveway approach.

Chris Heard reported the Calcote property on West Broadway has removed their two accessory structures.

Alderperson's Report:

Alderwoman Bishop stated she would like to remind the Planning and Zoning Commission to review the property standards and nuisance standards. She felt that the enforcement process on mowing should be shortened.

Alderman Jackson asked the status of the budgeting process. Chris Heard reported the department heads are starting to make wish lists and he would be reviewing the revenues.

Alderwoman Bishop asked if the department heads would be presenting their budgets to the board. Chris Heard reported they would be working with him then he would give his overall recommendation.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to close the open meeting and go into closed meeting pursuant to Chapter 610.021 (3) personnel. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Reberry-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus reported there was no reportable action taken.

Alderwoman Bishop made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

Darla Sapp
City Clerk

Mike Asmus
Mayor