

JANUARY 6, 2009
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Asmus called the meeting to order on January 6, 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-here

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 and Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Mayor Asmus presented the agenda for January 6, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bishop to accept the agenda as presented. Mayor Asmus reported we need to add a closed session for personnel matters. Mayor Asmus called for the vote as amended. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the minutes of December 16, 2008 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to consider the minutes as presented. Alderman Thomas reported he abstained on the vote on page three, line three. Mayor Asmus called for the vote with the correction. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2008-053 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2008-053, An ordinance accepting the re-plat of Lots 343 & 344, and part of Eagle Point Drive, Blue Grass Estates Plat 3 for C.L. Richardson. Second Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Reberry-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-001 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bishop to take up Council Bill No. 2009-001, An ordinance entering into a contract with KAS Construction, Inc. for City Hall modifications. First Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Chris Heard, City Administrator updated the board on the city hall modifications. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Reberry-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-002 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to take up Council Bill No.

2009-002, An ordinance entering into a maintenance contract with Ashland PC Technology for professional services. First Reading by title only. Chris Heard, City Administrator gave an overview of the contract options and recommended that we go with the 5 hours per month for \$75.00 per hour. The board discussed this. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Reberry-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderwoman Bishop-aye. 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. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Report:

Mayor Asmus updated the board on the search for a new police chief. He discussed the need to get information out to the public on the upcoming transportation sales tax ballot issue for April.

Chris Heard, City Administrator reported the notice to proceed for the Henry Clay Blvd. project was issued on Monday. He updated the board on the well and water tower project, his plans to revise the personnel manual & concrete street work. The board asked questions about various projects.

Aldersperson Reports:

Alderwoman Bishop shared an article from the Tribune relating to the City of Columbia not informing developers/contractors on changes to the codes.

Alderman Wyatt questioned the new house on South Main that does not have a sidewalk in front of it. Staff will research this.

Alderman Thomas reported he has received complaints on the new police officers being aggressive.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to go into closed session. Motion Carried.

The City Clerk was not in attendance at the closed meeting.

Mayor Asmus reported we are back in open session with no reportable action taken.

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

Darla Sapp
City Clerk

Mike Asmus
Mayor