

JULY 07, 2009
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.
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Mayor Asmus called the meeting to order on July 07, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Ashland City Hall, 109 East Broadway.

Alderman Jackson gave the invocation.

Mayor Asmus led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Asmus called the roll:

Ward One: David Thomas-here, vacant seat

Ward Two: Randy Wyatt-here, John Hills-here

Ward Three: Mike Jackson-here, Matt Uhrig-here

Staff Present: Mike Asmus, Mayor, Chris Heard, City Administrator, David Bandre, City Attorney, Anthony Consiglio, Police Chief and Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Mayor Asmus presented the agenda for July 07, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to accept the agenda with the addition of a closed session. Mayor Asmus called for the vote with the addition. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the minutes of June 16, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to accept the minutes as presented. Mayor Asmus called for corrections or additions. Alderman Hills reported the animal control officer's name was Rhonda. Mayor Asmus called for the vote with the amendment. Motion Carried.

Anthony Consiglio, Police Chief reported that in his memo he reported the drivers training was at no cost but the officers were paid for the hours of training. He reported that we have lost two patrol officers and he would be advertising these two vacancies. He stated he has adjusted the schedule. Chief Consiglio called for concerns or questions from the board. Alderman Hills questioned where "Lucy" the drug dog was. Chief Consiglio reported on status of "Lucy". He informed the board that he has received a number of applicants for the reserve program. Alderman Thomas stated he liked the new total incident report per day.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 816 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Uhrig to take up Ordinance No. 816, an ordinance of the City of Ashland, Missouri declaring surplus property and approving the purchase of a John Deere Model 997 Diesel Z-Trak mower. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-017 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2009-017, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract with C.L. Richardson Construction, Inc. for concrete street repairs-FY 2010. First Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Chris Heard reported on the five bids we received on this project. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-018 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to take up Council Bill No. 2009-018, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a tax collection agreement with Boone County, Mo. First Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Chris Heard reported the need for the change in the agreement was due to state law changes. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the bills to be paid. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the bills as presented. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Alderman Thomas questioned a couple of bills. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus asked if anyone from the audience wished to appear before the board. Charlie Clayton, owner of the Turtle Club reported he has heard from citizens that the police are not going to provide security at the rodeo. He also inquired on the status of the \$475,000.00 Main Street Improvement Grant. Chris Heard and Mayor Asmus reported on the status of the grant paperwork, procedure and development of the scope of the project. Mr. Clayton questioned when the citizen input would come in place.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Asmus reported Larry Reberry has formally resigned as Ward One Alderman. He informed the board that the Boone County Journal asked him about this vacancy and he told him his intent is to fill the vacancy as soon as possible.

City Attorney's Report:

David Bandre updated the board on the AT & T land line tax class action suit and we should expect a settlement agreement soon. David Bandre updated the board on the Show Me Games.

City Administrator's Report:

Chris Heard presented the final change order for the Ashland Pedestrian Trail Phase III from Southern Ditching and Excavating Company with a revised contract amount of \$320,362.45. The completion date should be July 31, 2009. He gave an overview of the changes.

Chris Heard presented a cost estimate to install storm water piping and junction boxes that would connect Redwood Drive to Ponderosa in Keystone Subdivision. He reported that during the platting stages these easements got overlooked. He explained the scope of these improvements with a cost estimate of \$9,900.00 from Woods Mechanical.

Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to approve extending the storm water on Redwood Drive to Ponderosa for a cost of \$9,900.00. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Chris Heard presented a request to have the propellers on the lift station pumps replaced with a cost of \$3,000.00 for each lift station pump with a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00 total. He stated this would come out of the repair and replacement fund.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to proceed with the replacement and repair of the lift station pumps at a cost of \$3,000.00 per pump and a total not to exceed \$10,000.00. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye. Motion Carried.

Alderman Thomas questioned the status of the McKee building permits. Chris Heard reported there was several punch list items that needs to be corrected but they are in compliance with the development agreement.

Board of Aldermen Report:

Alderman Thomas reported he was not pleased with an article in the Boone County Journal where the Mayor commented on the pool. He stated that this has never been discussed with the board members. He reported there has been no progress on the Sarah Drive extension. Alderman Thomas reported on the great progress of the water tower & building. He commented on the progress of the Henry Clay and Broadway improvements.

Alderman Wyatt asked that the board be given a calendar of meetings every two weeks.

Alderman Wyatt asked the City Administrator if any grant money has been applied for. Chris Heard reported the annual grant with the Boone County Commission has been applied for and explained the current grant projects he has been working on. He reported the Henry Clay Blvd. and Broadway project is a great improvement to this area.

Alderman Jackson reported he needed to get with Chris Heard on setting up his city e-mail address.

Alderman Uhrig asked for a copy of the grant application for the Main Street grant. Alderman Uhrig also asked for the Police Chief to provide the board with a status report on the condition of the patrol cars and equipment and his recommendation for replacement.

Alderman Hills reported that the old Columbia Car Classic lot on Broadway needs to be mowed. Alderman Hills reported that some of his neighbors are concerned about the Corey Myers house that burned and the length of time the paper said it could take to do the investigation. Chris Heard City Administrator reported that he is the chief code official and he plans to have it removed within 30 days.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to go out of open session and go into closed session for personnel matters pursuant to Chapter 610.021 (3). Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

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

Darla Sapp
City Clerk

Mike Asmus
Mayor

Mayor Asmus announced the board was now out of closed session and back in open session, and that no reportable action was taken in this evening's closed session.

Alderman Thomas moved to adjourn.

Alderman Jackson seconded this motion.

Mayor Asmus called a voice vote; motion carried.

Board adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Compiled by: Mike Asmus