

MARCH 15, 2011
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order on March 15, 2011 at 7:00 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, John Hills-here

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

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

Mayor Jackson presented the agenda for March 15, 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 March 01, 2011 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Jackson called for corrections or amendments. Alderman Thomas reported the vote on the agenda last meeting was without amendments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote with the correction. Motion Carried.

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

Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave an overview of a proposed middle school final plat that would be brought forward at the April 5, 2011 Board of Aldermen meeting for consideration. He discussed how the Main Street Project ties into the re-plating of the school property and vacating North Street. He updated the board on his progress on the code revisions, code enforcement, street assessment, crack sealing plan, painting of intersections of city streets, no parking areas and setting up a sidewalk assessment program as well. He discussed the parking on Pinto Pony Drive and park improvements. There was discussion of purchasing picnic tables and bleachers out of this budget year. The board asked that bids be brought forward at the next board meeting for consideration.

Mayor Jackson asked the status of the noise ordinance signs. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director stated we have to enter into an agreement with MoDot before the signs can be installed.

Leslie Moylin of the Southern Boone Learning Garden, asked that the City partner with them on the Learning Garden. She gave an overview of the organization, their mission and what they hope to accomplish with the learning garden. She reported the Boone County Health Department is helping a grant. She reported the grant is due April 14, 2011. David Bandre reported the City could do a letter of support or a memo of understanding with this partnership.

Steve Goehl of D.A. Davidson Company presented a proposal of financing on some road projects. The board discussed looking at options.

Mayor Jackson presented a business license application for Otto's Exterminators for G. Michael Calvert for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to approve the business license for Otto's Exterminators as presented. Michael Calvert gave a brief history of the family business. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Long-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-006 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2011-006, an ordinance adopting an annual budget for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2011 and appropriating funds pursuant thereto. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Alderman Uhrig reported he had questions and concern that the detention basin in Palomino Ridge Subdivision is not included in the budget. Curtis Bennett, Utility Supervisor stated that he thought C.M. Archer laid out the scope of work for this project and the City crew was going to do some of this work. There was discussion if the work could be done in phases. Jeff Meadows from C.M. Archer Group was going to review these plans. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-nay, Alderman Hills-nay, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-007 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2011-007, an ordinance granting a conditional use permit to Beckett Properties, LLC for the purpose of operating an existing mobile home park at 111 Burnam Avenue. First Reading by title only. Charles Senzee, Community Development Director gave a brief of overview of the history of this property and the request for a conditional use permit. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Alderman Hills reported the Planning and Zoning was in agreement with this conditional use and this was paperwork that would avoid other boards to have this problem in the future. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-008 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2011-008, an ordinance granting a conditional use permit to Beckett Properties, LLC for the purpose of operating an existing mobile home park at 107 South College Street. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2011-009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Wyatt to take up Council Bill No. 2011-009, an ordinance to require radio read water meters and accepting the quote provided by Schulte Supply for the replacement of all current water meters. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson reported that this was a goal to move forward on the radio read in this year's budget. It was reported this would show better flows on the water meters all staff to read meters in any weather and allow employees to work in other areas. Curtis Bennett stated the department will install the radio reads but the company would train the staff. It was discussed that half would be paid out of the current year's budget and the remainder would be paid in the FY 2012 budget. The board discussed this at length and the overall benefits to the City. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Resolution #013 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to approve Resolution #013 requesting D.A. Davidson & Company to provide direction on financing certain street improvements. Mayor Jackson stated this resolution is to retain Mr. Goehl to give us recommendations on financing these street projects. He stated that this does not bind us to actually proceeding with the financing. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. The board discussed this. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented Resolution #014 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to approve Resolution #014 requesting to purchase a new server for the City of Ashland and have it installed by Midwest Computech. Mayor Jackson stated this came up during Midwest Computech assessing our system. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Long-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye. Motion Carried.

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

Richard Jones, of Crazy Dick's Lawn and Garden expressed his interest in presenting the City of Ashland with a written proposal on yard waste disposal services. He felt he could do this at a cheaper cost to the City. He stated he would need at least a three year commitment. The board discussed this at length. The board agreed to look at a written proposal from Mr. Jones.

Calvin Crandall complained of the stormwater issue he has been dealing with and wants it to be considered this year. The board discussed this project and if the project could be broken down into pieces. Mr. Meadows was going to review this project. Mayor Jackson stated they would look at the budget and see what can be done.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Jackson had nothing to report.

City Attorney Report:

David Bandre, City Attorney had nothing to report.

Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Hills expressed his concern of the decisions made on the parking issue and moving the mailboxes on Pinto Pony Drive without going through the Board of Aldermen. The process of addressing the parking concerns on future streets was discussed at length.

Alderman Wyatt reported they will be conducting phone interviews for the City Administrator position on Thursday and Friday of this week. He also suggested having a work session an hour before board meetings to discuss different ideas, planning and project updates.

Alderman Thomas complimented the public works department on the outstanding job on the snow removal.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Henke-Christopher to adjourn the meeting. Motion Carried.

Darla Sapp
City Clerk

Michael P. Jackson
Mayor