

SEPTEMBER 15, 2009
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Asmus called the meeting to order on September 15, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Ashland City Hall, 109 East Broadway.

Alderman Jackson gave the invocation.

Mayor Asmus led the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Asmus called the roll:

Ward One: David Thomas-here, vacant seat

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

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

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

Mayor Asmus presented the agenda for September 15, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to accept the agenda with the additions of business license applications for Randy's Auto Repair and Gina's Craft Corner. Mayor Asmus called for the vote with the additions. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented the minutes of September 01, 2009 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to accept the minutes as presented. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Motion Carried.

John Fraga, Public Works Director gave his monthly report to the board. He updated the board on the water tower project, vandalism to the new water tower; fall festival and sewer lift station upgrades. He updated the board on an inspection we had from the Department of Natural Resources on our water system. The board discussed ways to prevent vandalism in the park and the water tower area.

Mayor Asmus presented a business license for Gina's Craft Corner at 508 Caspian Circle for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to approve the business license for Gina's Craft Corner as presented. Gina Wamsley reported she will be selling her products either by word of mouth or on-line and there would be minimum traffic to her house. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented a business license for Randy's Auto Repair for 500 S. Henry Clay Blvd. for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to approve the business license for Randy's Auto Repair as presented. Randy Newport reported he has 20 years of mechanical work experience. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman

Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-031 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Uhrig to take up Council Bill No. 2009-031, an ordinance approving the final plat for Coyote Acres for Coyote Investments, LLC. First Reading by title only. Chris Heard, City Administrator gave an overview of this plat to the board. Mayor Asmus called for comments or questions. Bill Adams land surveyor for the City of Columbia reported they have been working on this for about two and a half years. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-032 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to take up Council Bill No. 2009-032, an ordinance approving the final plat for Galaxy Subdivision Plat 3 for James E. Guthrie. First Reading by title only. Chris Heard, City Administrator explained the replat of the tract of land owned by Mr. Guthrie and the Ashland Optimist Club. Mayor Asmus called for comments or questions. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Council Bill No. 2009-033 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Jackson to take up Council Bill No. 2009-033, an ordinance vacating a portion of the right of way on Bass Street. First Reading by title only. Mayor Asmus called for comments or questions. Chris Heard reported this is part of the improvements to Redbud Lane and Bass Street the section from Broadway to Ash Street. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 831 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to take up Ordinance No. 831, an ordinance approving the final plat for Coyote Acres for Coyote Investments, LLC. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 832 for consideration. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Uhrig to take up Ordinance No. 832, an ordinance approving the final plat for Galaxy Subdivision Plat 3 for James E. Guthrie. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 829 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to take up Ordinance No. 829, an ordinance amending Chapter 27 of the Ashland Municipal Code and authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Boone County Commission for animal control services. Mayor Asmus called for questions or comments. Alderman Thomas reported a couple of typing errors in the operating procedure manual. Steve Heying asked that the whole animal ordinance be reviewed. Chris

Heard explained the procedure. The board discussed the agreement and the procedures of weekend and emergency calls at length. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor Asmus presented Ordinance No. 830 for consideration. Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to take up Ordinance No. 830, an ordinance granting the authority to the Chief of Police to decommission the City of Ashland K-9 Program and withdraw certain funds from the General Fund. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

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

Mayor Asmus asked if anyone wished to appear before the board. A gentleman was present inquiring about the storm drainage on Pacer Drive. Chris Heard reported he would review this in his report to the board. He also inquired about the bottled water the city bought on the bills to be paid. Chris Heard reported the bottled water is for the lobby for public use.

Mayor Asmus nominated Barbara Henke-Christopher to serve as Ward One Alderperson with board confirmation. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Asmus presented a letter from the library thanking us for the use of the council chamber. He also thanked everyone for all the work everyone did for the Fall Festival. Mayor Asmus reported the Planning and Zoning Commission and staff report is very helpful. Mayor Asmus informed the board that he has a contract on his house and plans to move out of the area as early as October 16th.

City Attorney Report:

David Bandre reported the Zornes litigation is still pending.

City Administrator Report:

Chris Heard presented the scope for drainage and traffic projects to the board. He gave an overview of the drainage issues on Pacer, Walnut & Broadway, Liberty Lane modifications, West Oaks Subdivision and the Red Tail Drive traffic calming possibilities. The board discussed these projects. Chris Heard, City Administrator asked for approval to enter into a contract with C.M. Archer Group an engineering firm to look at these projects.

Alderman Jackson made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to enter into an agreement with C.M. Archer Group for engineering services for the projects as presented by Mr. Heard.

Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Chris Heard presented quotes for a new server for City Hall and recommended the purchase of the IBM server at a cost of \$4,544.00 and to buy the software separately for an additional \$1,800.00. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Uhrig to authorize the purchase of the IBM server and the software as presented. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Chris Heard reported that Chief Consiglio submitted bids for the purchase of four new light bars for the patrol cars. He reported the Chief recommended the purchase of four Code 3 RX 2700 from Ed Roehr Safety Products at a cost of \$1,550.00 per light bar and installation from Clayton Farr for \$125.00 per vehicle. He reported that the CCW funds (carry and conceal weapons revenue) would be used to pay for this purchase and installation. The board discussed the different type of light bars. Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Uhrig to authorize the police chief to expend the monies on the light bars per his recommendation. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Chris Heard, City Administrator presented a proposal letter from Gerding, Korte and Chitwood for an additional two years of auditing service.

Alderman Thomas made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to authorize the city administrator to extend a two year contract to Gerding, Korte & Chitwood as presented by Mr. Heard. Mayor Asmus called for the vote. Alderman Jackson-aye, Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Wyatt-absent. Motion Carried.

Chris Heard reported the City purchased 200 North Main Street for \$49,000.00. He reported the purchase would help to widen Redbud Lane and allow the city to continue the campus on the back lot.

Board of Alderperson's Report:

Alderman Jackson questioned the status of the hotel guest tax for Ashland. Mayor Asmus reported this was voted on once but got held up in legislative action and it is a dead issue for this year.

Alderman Thomas questioned the Boy Scout Frisbee golf project. Chris Heard reported he has a meeting scheduled with them on Thursday. Alderman Thomas questioned the status of Season's Ridge parking problems. Chris Heard stated the citizens are happy with the response.

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

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Mike Asmus, Mayor