

SEPTEMBER 21, 2010
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order on September 21, 2010 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: Mike Jackson, Mayor, Chris Heard, City Administrator, David Bandre, City Attorney, Charles Senzee, Community Development Director and Darla Sapp, City Clerk.

Mayor Jackson presented the agenda for September 21, 2010 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to accept the agenda as presented. Mayor Jackson reported under appearances we need to add: Charles Senzee, Community Development Director, monthly report. Mayor Jackson called for the vote with the amendment. Motion Carried.

Mayor Jackson presented the minutes of September 07, 2010 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Thomas to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Jackson called for corrections or amendments. Being none he called for the vote. 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 updated the board on the Planning and Zoning Commission approving the site plan modifications for Salter Lawn Care Services. He informed the board he is working on the street assessment and they will be starting on crack sealing next week. He gave a brief overview of the disc golf project and his progress on code changes.

Jeff Meadows, Archer Group, Main Street Project presented conceptual budgetary estimates on the Main Street Project and Ash Street Improvements. The board discussed whether to include the engineering as part of the grant portion. Chris Heard, City Administrator recommended we use the grant for construction. The board discussed the scope of the two projects and probable construction cost. The board discussed other applicable grants to apply for these projects. Mayor Jackson asked if it was the board's wishes to proceed with the council bill for engineering services at the next board meeting. The board was in agreement. Alderwoman Henke-Christopher asked when there would be public input on the Main Street Project. Chris Heard, City Administrative gave a tentative time line.

Mayor Jackson presented Council Bill No. 2010-025 for consideration. Alderman Wyatt made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to take up Council Bill No. 2010-025, an ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a license and indemnity agreement with James G. Nichols for the use of right of way

along Bass Street. First Reading by title only. Mayor Jackson called for questions or comments. Chris Heard, City Administrator explained the ordinance. 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 stated the next item on the agenda is discussion of yard waste disposal. He stated at the last meeting we voted to suspend the yard waste disposal due to abuse and the cost already exceeding our budget. He reported the community is feeling the pain of this action by the board. The board discussed having designated weekends in the fall and spring for dumping and disposal of yard waste. Chris Heard presented a cost of \$1,350.00 per day for a 9 hour drop off. Mayor Jackson suggested a committee be set up to look at options on the yard waste disposal, such as collection point, costs, etc. He asked that Alderman Long head this committee. The board discussed ideas of moving the yard waste collection to the public works site and installing a fence and gate. Alderman Long and Alderman Hills both expressed the need to open the yard waste disposal immediately until the other options could be reviewed. Chris Heard asked that we work with the public works department on location and use of the maintenance lot.

Alderman Hills made motion and seconded by Alderman Long to open the yard waste site temporarily until we have a permanent solution. Mayor Jackson called for the vote. Alderman Thomas-aye, Alderman Wyatt-aye, Alderman Long-aye, Alderwoman Henke-Christopher-aye, Alderman Hills-aye, Alderman Uhrig-aye. Motion Carried.

Alderman Long made motion and seconded by Alderman Hills to pay for the yard waste disposal out of general fund. 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 reported the next item on the agenda was IT strategy and service contract. He turned the floor over to Alderman Wyatt to present his review. Alderman Wyatt stated the city currently has no comprehensive IT plan in place. He gave an extensive overview of areas identified that need to be addressed. The board discussed this in great detail along with costs associated with the upgrades and recurring monthly charges. Chris Heard reported this is put in the budget* with the exception of mobile data terminals. Alderman Wyatt reported that would be an additional \$16,000.00 plus monthly charges of \$200.00 for the air cards. Mayor Jackson asked the process Alderman Wyatt was envisioning on putting this plan together. Alderman Wyatt suggested the plan be put together by this board. The board agreed to move forward on putting a plan together. Alderman Wyatt and the City Administrator are to work together to bring something back to the board. Mayor Jackson thanked Alderman Wyatt for his time on this.

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

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Jackson commended the fall festival committee, park board and city staff for having a successful Fall Festival. He informed the board the Ashland Ridge Park dedication will be on October 2, 2010 at 1:00 p.m.

City Attorney Report:

David Bandre reported the Zorne's litigation has been settled.

*Amended 10-05-2010

City Administrator Report:

Chris Heard gave the sales tax report to the board. He presented a letter from Judy Williams regarding a tree that is in the park by her house she would like to have removed due to seed pods littering her yard. The board was in agreement with this. He asked the board if they had any questions on any item he had in his memo. He reported ongoing sewer issues, trash services being bid out in November time frame to begin at our fiscal year on May 1.

Board of Aldermen's Report:

Alderman Long recommended we move on mobile data terminals for the police department as quickly as possible. He stated we are the only city in the county that does not have this important tool.

Alderwoman Henke-Christopher reported she drove around Jefferson City this last Saturday and noticed the blue trash cans out on the streets. She stated she did not want to see this in Ashland.

Alderman Uhrig reported a law suit in Jefferson City against Allied Waste.

Alderman Hills questioned what happened to the crossing guard at the school by Red Tail. It was reported this is not a city crossing guard and is provided by the school district.

Alderman Wyatt reported in his research he found that the Airport Police bid out the mobile data terminal for about \$3,800 to \$4,000 per car. He reported the police department raised \$402.00 at the Ashland Fall Festival dunking booth.

Mayor Jackson reported that he and Chris attended a reception with IBM and invited them to visit the city.

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

Darla Sapp
City Clerk

Michael P. Jackson
Mayor