

MAY 02, 2023
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Slinker called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 02, 2023 at 101 West Broadway.

Mayor Slinker led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Slinker called the roll:

Ward One: Nathan Volkart-absent, Loren Plank-here
Ward Two: Melissa Old –absent, Stephanie Bell-here
Ward Three: Rick Lewis-here, David Wilson -here

Staff Present: Darla Sapp, City Clerk, Kyle Michel, City Administrator, and Todd Smith, City Attorney.

Mayor Slinker presented the minutes of the April 18, 2023 and Special meeting April 20, 2023 meeting for consideration. Alderman Lewis made motion to approve the minutes as presented. Alderman Wilson seconded the motion. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented the agenda for approval or adjustment. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Motion carried. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker reported there were no appearances scheduled but reminded everyone a written request must be made the Wednesday prior to the meeting with the City Clerk.

Mayor Slinker presented Council Bill No. 2023-016, an ordinance to amend Chapter 14: Sewer, Water & Solid Waste of the Code of the City of Ashland, Missouri Re:After hours connections. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel, City Administrator reported this is changing the after-hours reconnection from \$75.00 to \$50.00. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Council Bill No. 2023-016, an ordinance to amend Chapter 14; Sewer, Water & Solid Waste of the Code of the City of Ashland, Missouri; regarding after-hours connections. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Old-absent, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Council Bill No. 2023-017, an ordinance to amend Chapter 9; Planning and Zoning regarding sign permits. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel, City Administrator stated we changed the fee for sign permits from \$25.00 to \$50.00 last year but we missed changing it in the City Code. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comment. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bell to approve Council Bill No. 2023-017, an ordinance to amend Chapter 9; Planning and Zoning regarding sign permits. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderwoman Old-absent, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Council Bill No. 2023-018, an ordinance of the City of Ashland to amend a sales tax ordinance. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Todd Smith, City Attorney stated this ordinance was for the 1 percent general sales tax. He stated the Department of Revenue reached out to us regarding the language in the ordinance with the exemption of sales of motor vehicles, trailers, boats or outboard

motor and sales to public utilities. They said the statute does not allow for these exemptions and therefore the tax would apply in these instances. Todd Smith stated the language on the ballot was correct. Alderwoman Bell questioned if the Department of Revenue was correct. Todd Smith stated he did not research this but felt if the Department of Revenue requested this change we should not delay the amendment so we can get this tax verified. Alderwoman Bell questioned where the language came from. Todd Smith, City Attorney reported it was what his law firm produced. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Council Bill No. 2023-018, an ordinance of the City of Ashland to amend a sales tax ordinance. Mayor Slinker called for the vote.

Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderwoman Old-absent, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1436, an ordinance extending the corporate limits of the City of Ashland, Missouri by annexing unincorporated area; directing the City Clerk to give notice of the annexation-Smarr annexation. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel stated this is the second reading and the findings memo was in the packet. He stated nothing on this has changed. Mayor Slinker called for Board questions or comments. Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public. Mayor Slinker called for a motion. Alderman Wilson made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to approve Ordinance No. 1436, an ordinance extending the corporate limits of the City of Ashland, Missouri by annexing unincorporated area; directing the City Clerk to give notice of the annexation-Smarr annexation. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1437, an ordinance approving East Ashland Plaza Lots 13 & 14 replat. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel reported this is the second reading of this replat. Cory Berghold, engineer for East Ashland Plaza Lots 13 & 14 clarified that the lot size does meet the city requirements and codes. He stated at the last meeting there was some concerns of the lots sizes. Mayor Slinker called for any questions from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comments. Mayor Slinker called for a motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to approve Ordinance No. 1437, an ordinance approving East Ashland Plaza Lots 13 & 14 replat. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bell-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1438, an ordinance approving McDow Subdivision Plat 2. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel reported the easements have been recorded and this is the second reading. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comment. Mayor Slinker called for a motion. Alderman Plank made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to approve Ordinance No. 1438, an ordinance approving McDow Subdivision Plat 2. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Old-absent, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1439, an ordinance to amend Chapter 14: Sewer, Water & Solid Waste of the Code of the City of Ashland, Missouri Re:After hours connections. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel, City Administrator reported this is the second reading. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve Ordinance No. 1439, an ordinance to amend Chapter 14; Sewer, Water & Solid Waste of the Code of the City of Ashland, Missouri; regarding after- hours connections. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1440, an ordinance to amend Chapter 9; Planning and Zoning regarding sign permits. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel, City Administrator reported this is also the second reading of this ordinance updating the cost of sign permits from \$25.00 to \$50.00. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comment. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bell to approve Ordinance No. 1440, an ordinance to amend Chapter 9; Planning and Zoning regarding sign permits. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Old-absent, Alderman Volkart-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented Ordinance No. 1441, an ordinance of the City of Ashland to amend a sales tax ordinance. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Todd Smith, City Attorney stated this is the second reading to get this ordinance amended so we can send to the Department of Revenue. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderman Plank made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bell to approve Ordinance No. 1441, an ordinance of the City of Ashland to amend a sales tax ordinance. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented a Resolution exercising the right to renew the agreements with professional engineering services for general on-call engineering services. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel stated this is the annual renewal of the agreements for on-call general engineering services with Engineering Surveys & Services, Allstate Consultants, Bartlett & West, Inc., Klingner & Associates, MECO Engineering and McClure Engineering Company. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comment. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderman Wilson made motion and seconded by Alderwoman Bell to approve the Resolution exercising the right to renew the agreements with professional engineering services for general on-call engineering services. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Plank-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented a Resolution adopting the Utility Procedures Manual in accordance with Chapter 14; Sewer, Water and Solid Waste of the City of Ashland Code of Ordinances. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel stated this is the annual review and revision of the policies of the utility manual. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comment. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the Resolution adopting the Utility Procedures Manual in accordance with Chapter 14; Sewer, Water and Solid Waste of the City of Ashland Code of Ordinances. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Slinker presented a Resolution adopting the City Fee Schedule Policy Manual. Mayor Slinker called for the staff report. Kyle Michel, City Administrator stated this is a fee schedule that has all of our chargeable fees that are in our code in one manual. He stated this is a quick reference. Mayor Slinker called for questions or comments from the Board. Mayor Slinker called for public comments. Mayor Slinker called for the motion. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Wilson to approve the resolution adopting the City Fee Schedule Policy Manual. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Alderman Plank-aye, Alderwoman Bell-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Wilson-aye, Alderman Volkart-absent, Alderwoman Old-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Slinker stated he had a request for an additional streetlight at the end of Redbud Lane and on Crump Lane in front of the high school. He also reported a complaint he received about a couch left at the corner

of Kimberly Drive and James Court. He stated this was several years ago and he thought the issue at been taken care of. He also questioned how close you could park to a stop sign.

City Administrator Report:

Kyle Michel stated he sent out an e-mail to the Board alerting them to John Conway, City Engineer leaving the City and they meet with another potential candidate this morning and will be evaluating this and go from there.

Kyle Michel stated they are engaging with the Columbia Airport again on possibly connecting to the City sewer.

He informed the Board of connecting the Wi-Fi to the sewer plant and public works department. He stated currently the departments have different internet providers. He stated that would eliminate those two bills and allow them access to the city server.

Alderwoman Bell asked that while Kyle meets with the airport to let them know about the no cell phone service and about the status of a restaurant.

City Attorney's Report:

Todd Smith, City Attorney stated the state statute says 30 feet from the spot sign approach for off street parking. He stated the City of Ashland has adopted the model traffic code. He asked if the City had received a large settlement check from Charter Communications. Kyle Michel reported that we did not. Todd Smith informed the Board he would be meeting on the Tuesday the 9th of May with the Planning and Zoning Commission to go over the parliamentary procedures.

Board of Aldermen report:

Alderman Plank stated he attended his first Ashland Better Coalition meeting last night and it was two hours long. He reminded the Board of the Kentucky Derby Party this Saturday from 3:00 to 7:00 at Eagle Knoll. He reported due to the cooler weather the planters across the city project has been delayed. He stated the Ashland Betterment Coalition lost a couple members but have added another Board member. He reported that they are having live reindeer on December 8, 2023 at 5:00 pm for picture taking opportunities. He reported on an e-mail reference an additional meter for lawn use. He stated the individual stated they could not find someone to install a meter. He suggested setting the sewer rate for the average usage from November through March. The Board discussed this and Kyle Michel stated he would evaluate this and see what options we have.

Mayor Slinker called for comments from the public, staff or the Board.

Mayor Slinker called for the vote to adjourn the meeting. Alderwoman Bell made motion and seconded by Alderman Lewis to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. Mayor Slinker called for the vote. Motion carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Dorise Slinker, Mayor