

TUESDAY, MAY 01, 2018
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Rhorer called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on May 01, 2018 at 815 East Broadway, Ashland, Missouri.

Mayor Rhorer led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Rhorer called the roll:

Ward One: Leslie Martin-absent, Danny Clay-here
Ward Two: Jesse Bronson-here, Richard Sullivan-here
Ward Three: Rick Lewis-here, Jeff Sapp-here

Staff Present: Darla Sapp, City Clerk, Lyn Woolford, Police Chief/City Administrator, Shelley Martin, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer, Jeffrey Kays, City Attorney and Coby Morris, Street Department.

Mayor Rhorer presented the agenda of May 01, 2018 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented the minutes of April 17, 2018 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer asked if anyone wished to appear before the Board to come to the podium and state their name and place of residence. No one came forward.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1180 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1180, an ordinance to change the zoning of a parcel of land from (I-L) Light Industrial to (R-1) Density Residential District for Keith L. Peterson of Forest Lake, Inc. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented Ordinance No. 1181 for consideration. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1181, an ordinance approving the preliminary plat for Forest Park for Keith L. Peterson of Forest Lake, Inc. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented a Resolution authorizing 35% of sewer base/per 1000 gallons be allotted to sewer debt service for the new SRF Bond. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the resolution authorizing 35% of sewer base/per 1000 gallons be allotted to sewer debt service for the new SRF Bond. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Shelley Martin, Treasurer, stated this is what we discussed at the last meeting. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer presented a Resolution authorizing the purchase of a mower for the Parks Department. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to approve the resolution authorizing the purchase of a mower for the Parks Department. Mayor Rhorer called for questions or comments. Alderman Clay questioned if a mower was purchased last year. Coby Morris reported they did purchase one last year but this mower was a walk behind with a 60 inch cut that allows for cutting on banks and hills. Lyn Woolford stated this is coming out of capital funds and will be used everywhere in the City. The Board discussed this. Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to modify the resolution authorizing the purchase of a mower for the use of maintaining city property. Alderman Clay questioned the EXmark brand quality. Coby Morris explained this is a commercial mower and felt it was a good quality mower. Mayor Rhorer questioned if this was in the budget. Lyn Woolford reported it was not in the budget but we have money in the capital fund. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer stated the next item on the agenda was to consider authorizing the City Attorney to file small claims through Boone County Circuit Court on overdue utility bills per Chapter 14, Section 14.205 (C). Shelley Martin, explained a current issue she had with the returned ACH and non- payment of utility bills. She explained she sent the property owner a letter and this bill has been taken care of. Jeff Kays, City Attorney, reported the current ordinance states the property owner and occupant is liable for the water bill. They discussed placing a lien on the property for unpaid utility bills. Jeff Kays reported this would be on a case by case basis and the Board would have to address each individual case. The Board discussed this and asked this be brought back with ideas on this matter. Shelley Martin suggested credit checks and possibly higher deposits for people with bad credit.

Mayor's Report:

Mayor Rhorer stated he would be speaking at a kindergarten class this week.

City Administrator Report:

Lyn Woolford stated that McClanahan Construction has not started work yet on the wastewater treatment facility. He informed the Board they did get the land disturbance permit last week. Coby Morris reported they did bring in some equipment today and should begin next week.

Lyn Woolford stated George Roberson started as our new police officer today. He would be in training for a month. He stated he has police experience from other agencies. Lyn Woolford reported that Officer Worrall is expecting his baby in June and would be taking time off.

He reported \$230.00 on utility adjustments for April. He gave details to the adjustments.

He presented pictures of the recycling lot on Monday to the Board to review. He reported this would be on the next meeting's agenda for discussion.

Lyn Woolford reported we would be starting the bidding process on the water building. He stated we would have the wastewater treatment facility, Main Street Sidewalk project and the construction of the new water building this year.

City Attorney Report:

Jeff Kays did not have a report.

Board of Aldermen's Report's:

Alderman Sapp reported the duplex at 406 Meadow Lane has been torn down.

Alderman Lewis reported he attended an awards ceremony at the school last Thursday for the Mayor.

Alderman Bronson reported the walking school bus started up again this week. He encouraged the Board members to participate.

Alderman Clay asked that the Planning and Zoning Commission update the transportation plan for the City since it was last updated in 2012. Lyn Woolford reported it was done in 2015 but the comprehensive plan needed updating. Mayor Rhorer reported the comp plan is in the budget for this year.

Alderman Clay made motion and seconded by Alderman Bronson to adjourn the meeting with a ten minute break and go into closed executive session pursuant to Chapter 610. 021 (1) legal actions and litigation (2) leasing, purchase or sale of real estate (3) personnel matters and (12) to discuss negotiate contracts. Alderman Bronson rescinded his second. Alderman Lewis then seconded the motion. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-nay, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Mayor Rhorer reported we are back in open session with no reportable action taken.

Alderman Bronson made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Rhorer called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderwoman Martin-absent. Motion carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Gene Rhorer, Mayor