

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 03, 2019  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES  
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on December 03, 2019 at 815 East Broadway, Ashland, Missouri.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson led in the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called the roll:

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

Mayor Rhorer was absent.

Staff Present: Darla Sapp, City Clerk, Lyn Woolford, Police Chief, Tony St. Romaine, City Administrator and Jeffrey Kays, City Attorney.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson presented the agenda of December 03, 2019 for consideration. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the agenda as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson presented the minutes of November 19, 2019 Board meeting for consideration. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to approve the minutes with the correction on page 3 that he should be included in the Mayor's statement "about the walkthrough that Alderman Sullivan and Alderman Lewis with the property owners on their concerns in Liberty Landing Subdivision with Mr. Martin." Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote with the correction. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson asked if anyone wishing to appear before the Board to come to the podium and state their name and place of residence on any subject. He stated this is the only public speaking portion of the meeting. No one came forth.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson reported under appointments is to appoint a sub-committee for Liberty Landing Subdivision. He asked that this be tabled until the Mayor was present. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to table this until the next meeting on the 17th. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson presented Ordinance No. 1278 for consideration. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up Ordinance No. 1278, an ordinance approving the final plat for Eagle Lakes Plat 4A. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for questions or comments. Alderman Sapp reported this is the second reading and was been recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson presented a Resolution authorizing the approval of a contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. Alderman Clay made motion and seconded by Alderman Sapp to take up a Resolution authorizing the approval of a contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for questions or comments. Chief Woolford stated this is a five-year contract renewal for the body camera licensing and cloud storage. He stated this collects police/citizen interactions for transparency and

accuracy. He stated this hardware and cloud storage is used daily. He stated the cost is \$3,774.00 annually for the next five years. Chief Woolford informed the Board these recordings are used for training, response to complaints and evidence in court. Alderman Sapp stated this seems user friendly. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderman Lewis-aye. Motion carried.

Mayor Pro-tem Bronson presented a Resolution approving Change Order 4 for McClanahan Construction., Inc. for the wastewater treatment facility. Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to take up a Resolution approving Change Order 4 for McClanahan Construction., Inc. for the wastewater treatment facility. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for questions or comments. Tony St. Romaine, City Administrator reported he met with Patrick McClanahan and the project manager yesterday at the wastewater treatment facility. He gave an update on the progress. He stated the extension is for the contract since they had unusually wet 2019 spring season. He reported the plant is nearing completion and training for the plant operations will be taking place in early January. He stated they are having difficulty getting internet to this site. He stated he is working to get cost estimates from CenturyTel and Socket. He stated Charter did a cost survey of \$16,000.00 to get fiber to the site. He stated his goal is to get this installed by January 20, 2020. Tony St. Romaine stated they would touring Brookfield wastewater treatment facility next week. He stated they would see what staffing is required. He reported that Alliance Water Resources has not replaced Russell Gerling yet and he reported that Mark would be retiring in February, 2020. He stated he is getting concerned. The Board discussed this. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Alderman Lewis-aye, Alderman Clay-aye, Alderwoman Martin-aye, Alderman Sullivan-aye, Alderman Sapp-aye, Alderman Bronson-aye. Motion carried.

#### Mayor's Report:

Mayor Rhorer was not present.

#### City Administrator's report:

Tony St. Romaine reported he put a copy of his report in the packet of the project list with fifty-six items on it. He asked the Board to review this and see if they want to add anything or change the priority. He stated some items they are holding because they have a financial impact and would be discussed during the budget process. He stated they are working on a capital improvement plan as well.

Tony St. Romaine stated he received a phone call from a resident that is concerned about parking in front of post office. He stated he had a complaint of people parking there all day and taking up spaces so it makes it difficult to park and get to the post office. Lyn Woolford, Police Chief reported we have already voted to on time limit for two parking spaces in front of the post office by ordinance and are waiting on signage to be installed by the Public Works Department.

#### Police Chief's monthly report:

Chief Woolford gave an overview of October summary reports for incidents, arrest, traffic enforcement and code enforcement. He reported a stolen skid steer from Martin Equipment and an elderly resident scam of \$90,000.00. He reported he couldn't be nominated for America's Favorite Crossing Guard since he previously won it. Alderman Lewis stated he checked the website and there is someone nominated from Southern Boone Schools. He gave an overview of the U.S. 63 Intersection Safety Improvements Focus Group Meeting. He reported recommended fixes would be to close all crossovers, intersections will become right in, right out, acceleration/deceleration lanes will be added, no "J" turns planned between Route H and Ashland exit and this is scheduled for fiscal year 2021 which begins July 1, 2020. He stated the Bullard's and several farmers are not happy about this. He stated this would move more traffic congestion into Ashland. He stated the farm equipment would be a great concern as well. He stated no solutions were given for these major concerns. He gave an overview of the police staffing, recertification and training.

City Attorney's Report:  
Jeff Kays did not have a report.

Board of Aldermen's Reports:

Alderman Sullivan reported he had some complaints on Sunset Meadows entrance needing street repairs. It was reported that James Creel, Public Works Supervisor has this on the list of repairs needed. Also discussed was 5850 Charlotte Drive complaint of utility company tearing up sod in their yard. Tony St. Romaine stated he gave the contact information of Socket to the property owner to call and see if they can get this taken care of.

Alderman Sapp thanked Meco for the cookies tonight. He reported a spam e-mail incident on the city e-mail account.

Alderman Bronson reported the tree lighting is this Friday night at 6:00 p.m.. He commented on outdated commercial footage from three years ago that is currently promoting Ashland.

Alderman Sapp made motion and seconded by Alderman Clay to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro-tem Bronson called for the vote. Motion carried.

Darla Sapp, City Clerk

Jesse Bronson, Mayor Pro-Tem