

The Board of Alderman met in regular session at 6:10 pm.

Aldermen Present: Jason Osbourne, Adrian Saunders, Kent Shoemaker, Mark Greening, Juben Moss, and Jeff Botkins

Aldermen Absent: None

Others Present: Mayor Melissa Hays, City Administrator Tamitha Ague, City Attorney John Russell, Brian Walters, Kerry Lee, Brad Pfanner, George Hausdorf, Kevin O'Bryan and Rich Enochs

Mayor Melissa Hays called the meeting to order.

Mayor Melissa Hays asked everyone to stand and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Melissa Hays gave the invocation.

The Board of Alderman reviewed the consent agenda: Alderman Greening made a motion to approve the minutes from April 20, 2023; Alderman Moss seconded with all in favor. Alderwoman Saunders motioned to approve the bills payable from May, 2023; Alderman Greening seconded with all in favor.

Larry Kroupa with Tesseon, a human capital management solutions provider, gave a presentation on how Tesseon can manage the City's payroll, asset tracking, and human resources.

Alderman Botkins made a motion to move forward with an agreement with Tesseon to manage the City's payroll. Alderman Moss seconded the motion with all in favor.

Alderman Moss made a motion to hire Mr. Wesley Metz as the City's accountant with an at-will contract at a rate of \$35 per hour. Alderman Botkins seconded the motion with all in favor.

City Administrators Report

- City Administrator would like to have the City look into the security of our IT systems. DaZzee is a company that offers cybersecurity and would do a free consult to see how well the City's cybersecurity is at this current time.
- The skid steer for the City is \$3,000 over budget.
- There is a City Council training in Columbia this summer.
- Sally White and Amy Moss have been hired as Pool Managers and they are getting things taken care of to have the pool opened on Memorial Day.
- Julie Powell has put in her resignation due to her taking a position with the Missouri Department of Revenue License Office. Interviews are being set up for a replacement for her at this time.

Mayor's Report

- Nothing to report.

Planning and Zoning

- The property that the City has purchased at 114 First Street has tested positive for asbestos and the Street Department will not be allowed to demolish the structure.
Alderman Botkins made a motion to go out to bid for a company with capabilities to tear down and discard the First Street property. Alderman Osbourne seconded the motion with all in favor.

Public Works

- Work reports from department managers.
- George Hausdorf with People Services went over change order number 5 from Martins General Contractor that the Council had tabled from the meeting on April 20. The change order was for removal of asbestos and the sludge press. Mayor Hays wanted reassurance that the project was still within budget and it is per Mr. Hausdorf.
- DNR has checked the sewage problem at the former Kendrick's Trailer Park. The City's sewer is in fine shape at this location. All problems with the sewer falls on the owners.

Public Safety

- Police Captain Brian Walters reported that the Police Department has sent 51 nuisance letters out and that they have heard back from most of them.

Administration Report

- City Administrator report.

Park Board

- Nothing to report.

Economic Development

- Alderman Botkins asked the City Attorney, John Russell, how the City can deal with putting restrictions, such as number of employees or type of business, on properties that the City sells. John Russell advised that the City would be unable to enforce such restriction on these properties.
- Alderman Botkins will speak to the Ralls County Commissioners regarding if Ralls County would be putting any money towards the County Line Road Expansion project.

City Attorney Report

- City Attorney is now having weekly meetings with the City Administrator.

- Police Department has multiple abandoned cars at the sewer plant. Need to look into passing an ordinance to allow the City to dispose of abandoned property.
- City Court has been busy.

Building Inspectors Report

- Nothing to report.

At 8:09 p.m. Alderman Moss motioned to move into Executive session authorized by RSMO 61.021 (3) hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting of particular employees. A roll call vote as follows:

Alderman Shoemaker.....yes
Alderman Osbourne.....yes
Alderwoman Saunders....yes
Alderman Greening.....yes
Alderman Moss.....yes
Alderman Botkins.....yes

Alderman Osbourne made a motion to come out of executive session at 8:13 p.m. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Saunders with all in favor.

Alderman Moss made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Alderman Botkins seconded the motion with all in favor.

Melissa Hays, Mayor

Jennifer Walkup, Administrative Assistant

Submitted 5/6/23