

Board of Alderman Minutes
81 S. Orchard Blvd.
October 13, 2020

Roll call taken by Mayor Stephen Short.

Present: Steve Mallard, Dennis Roe, Jeff Danderson, Dayna Ault, Richard Icenhower, Richard Avery.

Staff present: Ken Hokanson, Darra Justice.

Call to order at 6:30.

APPROVE AGENDA. Mayor would like wording of item #4 under New Business changed to: "Discuss and or appoint a Emergency Management Director." Consensus of Board to amend so.

Motion by Roe to approve agenda as amended. Second Ault. No discussion.

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

Public Forum

Unfinished Business

1. **NEW POLICE CHIEF ANNOUNCED.** Mayor introduced the new Chief of Police, John Enderle. Enderle will take Office November 1, 2020. Mayor stated we are fortunate to have him.

2. **CITY HALL MAINTENANCE UPDATE-SPRINGFIELD WALL & CEILING PAINTING INTERIOR OF CITY HALL.**

Three bids received for painting city hall. One for \$9,810, second for \$6,000, third for \$5,333 from Springfield Wall & Ceiling. Bid was awarded to Springfield Wall & Ceiling a local painter that lives in Fair Grove. Carpet is scheduled to start October 22nd. Mayor stated the Building Committee did review the bids as was an emergency the painting be completed before installing carpet. Icenhower commented on the appearance of City Hall. Mr. Crutcher and the FFA students cleaned up front beds, and have put down mulch. FFA have a horticulture and landscaping department and he is hoping this will be an on-going project at City Hall. Icenhower would like the City to put up a plaque thanking them. Tom Day with American Glass will try to seal windows and fix front door. Windows will need to be replaced down the road. Day said they were put in wrong. Icenhower wants to seal the parking lot at City Hall next year.

3. **UPDATE ON NUISANCE VIOLATIONS AT ANDREWS PROPERTY 634 W. OLD HIGHWAY 65.**

This has been turned over to John Housley. Sheriff Arnott is working with Mr. Housley, City Attorney, on this and will get back to the Board on it. Icenhower questioned prior lien on property and options. Danderson stated John Housley will advise us on this. If it goes to litigation it won't be open discussion.

4. **APPROVE AND OR DISCUSS CC LIFT STATION UPGRADE.**

Mayor thanked Sewer Committee for their hard work. Discussed CC Lift Station maintenance, submersible pumps, Fluid Equipment, Vandevanter Engineering St. Louis office. Using drop-in system would allow lift station to up and running in 2 days. Bidding and contract labor discussed. Danderson suggested talking to City Attorney or MML about that. Consensus of Board to talk to City Attorney concerning bidding verses contract labor. Danderson said if bid, bid it spec for spec. Icenhower cautioned about dragging our feet on this.

5. DISCUSS TOTAL HIGHSPEED/JON'S ROAD BORING UPDATE ON LINNEA AND CRYSTAL BROOKE COVE STREET REPAIR.

Mallard stated this happened a year ago. It was patched and he and Kenny marked where it was to be fixed and now problems again. Icenhower stated the General Contractor is Total Highspeed. No need to deal with Jon's Boring, need to deal with Total Highspeed. Mayor stated Total Highspeed said they would spend \$30,000, but this was a verbal agreement over the phone with Roger DeLong at Total Highspeed. Danderson told the Mayor to talk to Roger and convey what the Aldermen have already agreed to on this; we have issues down here and he (Roger) needs to fix it. Get their answer and document it.

New Business

1. BILL NO 20-17 FIRST AND SECOND READING OF AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROVING THE FINAL PLAT OF COTTONWOOD ADDITION SOUTH; A MINOR SUBDIVISION; OWNER: LESLIE MOORE.

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Motion by Danderson to have first reading of Bill No 20-17 by title only. Second Icenhower.

Discussion: Roe stated this has been through Planning and Zoning. Lot #2 has a house, and lot #3 not built on. Driveway goes to lot #4.

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

Mayor read Bill No 20-17 by title only.

Motion by Danderson to approve first reading and have second reading of Bill No 20-17 by title only. Second Icenhower. Discussion. None.

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

Mayor read Bill No 20-17 by title only.

Motion by Danderson to approve second reading of Bill No 20-17 and assign it Ordinance No 200. Second Icenhower. Discussion: None.

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

2. JOHN SLAVENS SEWER WRITE OFF OF \$6.25.

Motion by Danderson to approve write off of \$6.25 for John Slavens. Second Ault. Dis: None

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

3. RESIGNATION OF BRANDON BOND AS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR.

Brandon Bond addressed the Board referencing Mark Twain and Matthew 6:24, no man can serve two masters. He wants to give all to one position and believes Resource Officer is way to go.

Motion by Danderson to accept resignation of Brandon Bond as Emergency Management Director effective October 15, 2020. Second Icenhower. Dis: Icenhower stated he hates to see him give up EM Director but Resource Officer is very important. The children are very important. Mayor said it was a pleasure working with Bond and that he is an asset to the School and City. Ault stated he was very much like by all.

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

4. DISCUSS AND OR APPOINTMENT A EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR.

Mallard said he thinks this needs to be posted. To be open and transparent it should be posted.

Danderson agrees, saying the first he'd heard of it was Friday when he got his packet. It needs to be made known so anyone can apply if they want to. City has an obligation to be public with it. Ault stated she understood where they were coming from. She stated she had talked with Greene County Emergency Management and they do not post it. It is the City's responsibility to provide EM, not the School. She explained it got confused when Gregg Porter moved his office from City Hall to the School due to a necessity for space. She is working with Porter to send the grant off in time. She is impressed with Ted

Wolf's (interested in position) loyalty, he is local and has trained on his own and is willing to work for the amount City Pays. She doesn't want the City to lose an opportunity. Mayor said he is a good contestant. Roe stated the position is appointed by the Board and he is impressed with Wolf's resume, very qualified. Danderson stated he does not have a problem with Wolf, he has a problem with the process. He wants Dana (City Clerk) to post it and appoint the position like a job. He doesn't think it's right not to post it. Lacks transparency. Icenhower agrees. Kicked the sewer deal over transparency, why not this. Avery stated not going to get anyone with certificate to apply but himself or Wolf. Ault said Porter would stay until we get someone if it isn't too long. Mayor said the mayor doesn't appoint EM, the Board does. Danderson stated, have Dana post it October 27, close it November 12 at 4:00. Have Special meeting if need to. Wolf (present in audience) stated, posting it is all well and good but people applying for that are looking for professional job. Ault asked who goes over the applications if posted. Danderson said to PDF them to the Board to look at.

Motion by Danderson to have City Clerk post Emergency Management Director Position October 27, 2020 and leave open until November 12, 2020 at 4:00. Second Mallard. Dis: None Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault no, Icenhower aye, Avery no.

5. CANCEL OCTOBER 27, 2020 MEETING.

Motion by Danderson to cancel October 27, 2020 meeting. Second Icenhower. Dis: None. Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

Business Meeting

1. SEWER AND PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Hokanson reported pulled pumps & cleaned at CC lift station. New roof is on and drywall done at Plant and painting Thursday or Friday.

Streets: patches mostly done, culvert in, fixed intersection at Linnea. Trying to catch up on mowing. Tree trimming to start the first of November.

2. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sheriff Arnott reported number and type of calls taken over about 4 weeks. Said it was pretty quiet. Avery said he received a complaint about speeding on Cottonwood. Sheriff asked Avery to email him name of caller when Avery found out. Roe reported the poles are up for speed signs. Ault said there is a speeding problem on Willow again.

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4. APPROVE BOARD OF ALDERMAN MINUTES

Motion by Ault to approve September 22, and September 25, 2020.

Second Mallard. Dis: None

Mallard aye, Roe aye, Danderson aye, Ault aye, Icenhower aye, Avery aye.

Mayor Report

- Key to City

Mayor stated the Christmas festivities this year will be modified. Not sure on specific's. Icenhower suggested tabling this item. Consensus of Board to table key to City until next year.

Motion by Roe to adjourn. Second Ault. All ayes.

Adjournment at 7:52pm.