MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
APRIL 13, 2015
VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI

The recessed Budget Meeting of March 31, 2015 was called to order at 7:01 pm by Chairman Stoufer.

Trustee Harvey, seconded by Trustee Barker, moved to adjourn the Budget Meeting of March 31, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

The regular meeting of April 13, 2015 was called to order.

Present: Trustees Barker; Harvey; and Powell; Chairman Stoufer, Deputy Chief Griffin; Chief Stewart, and Clerk King.

Absent: Trustee Cooper; Chief Coonce (with prior approval)

Chairman Stoufer requested that all stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2015. Barker – yea; Harvey – yea; Stoufer – yea; Powell – abstain. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the minutes of the Budget Meeting of March 30, 2015 with stated corrections. Barker – yea; Harvey – yea; Stoufer – yea; Powell – nay. Motion carried.

Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Barker, to approve the minutes of the Budget Meeting of March 31, 2015 with stated corrections. Barker – yea; Harvey – yea; Stoufer – yea; Powell – abstain. Motion carried.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the Payment of Bills for the period of March 20, 2015 – April 9, 2015. All yeas. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:
Trustee Powell shared her concerns about the FY2015-16 budget process. She stated she had been unable to attend the final meeting due to another commitment and was not in favor of employee raises across the board. Some employees had received a raise a couple years prior and so why should they also get included with this raise. She also asked that the Village look into converting our lights to LED as this will save us money in the long run. She supported the upgrades providing the police officers with the software in the cars allowing them to handle the paperwork more efficiently without having to return to the station to complete. She hoped the Village would consider upgrading the fire fighters with similar software to allow them to handle some of the paperwork from their vehicles rather than having to return to the station.

Trustee Harvey reminded everyone the “Cruise Night” Car Show would be on Friday, May 1 at the Plaza Shopping Center Parking Lot. The EDC has distributed flyers to promote the event along with working to secure sponsors for the event. He will provide a further update at the next meeting. He reminded everyone of the upcoming Work Day at Mildred Keeney Park is this Saturday, April 18th from 9:00 am – noon. He asked for all residents to participate. Clerk King added that Claycomo Baptist Church would be providing lunch for all the workers and thanked them for their support. In case of rain, the event would be rescheduled for the following Saturday, April 25th.

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Trustee Barker shared the reimbursement payment, for the demolition work the Village handled for the property at 109 S. Drake, had been received in full. She asked Jason if the manhole for the 235 park area had been ordered which Jason confirmed has been done. She asked Clerk King if the business licenses for the new dent shop had been received following his meeting with them last week. Clerk King stated it has not yet been received at his office.

Chairman Stoufer introduced Clay County Commissioner Mr. Gene Owen and thanked him for attending the meeting.

Clerk King shared the funds from the budget surplus from FY2014-15 were being reviewed and at the next meeting he would provide a recommendation on where these funds should be distributed to the other restricted funds. He updated the Board on the recent hearing for Senate Bill 5. The language had been re-worded but remains a volatile topic. No decision was made following the hearing and remains under discussion.

Chief Stewart announced the cancelled Pancake Day has been rescheduled for Saturday, May 2 from 7:00 am – 1:00 pm.

Clerk King read Bill No. 2963 to become Ordinance No. 2962, “AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE FACE OF THE RETURNS OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON APRIL 7, 2015 FOR THE VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI”. There was a second reading, by title only. Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Powell, to approve Bill No. 2963 to become Ordinance No. 2962.

Roll Call: Trustee Barker – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Trustee Powell – yea; Chairman Stoufer – yea. Motion carried.

There being no further old business, on behalf of the Village, Clerk King thanked the outgoing board members for their service the past two years.

NEW BUSINESS:
Clerk King administered the oaths of the incoming board members elected for their two (2) year terms. The new members include: Jeff Carter; Roxie McClure; and Jim Stoufer.

Clerk King asked the board for nominations as Chairman of the current board. Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Barker, to have Jim Stoufer appointed as Chairman. Trustee Carter – yea; Trustee McClure – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Trustee Barker – yea; Trustee Stoufer – abstain. Motion carried.

Clerk King asked the board for nominations as Chairman Pro-Tem of the current board. Trustee McClure moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to have Marina Barker appointed as Chairman Pro-Tem. Trustee Carter – yea; Trustee McClure – yea; Trustee Harvey – yea; Chairman Stoufer – yea; Trustee Barker – abstain. Motion carried.

Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee Barker, to approve the FY2015-16 budget as passed by the previous board. All yeas. Motion carried.

Ms. Cathy Verquer, manager of the Northgate mobile home park, thanked both the Village police and fire departments for all their efforts and support in handling the recent fire. No person was hurt but unfortunately a couple animals were lost. She thanked the local businesses for all their donations along with raising nearly $1,100 for the two families who lost their trailers.

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Trustee Barker thanked Jason Wallace for all his support and clean-up following the fire.

Mr. Greg Thompson, resident, congratulated the new board and welcomed them. He asked if the new police vehicle purchased had 4-wheel drive. Chairman Stoufer confirmed that it did.

Trustee Carter thanked the residents for all their support and congratulated all the other candidates who ran against him in the election for a clean election.

Trustee McClure also thanked everyone for their support during the election. She asked what options the Village offers in handling the removal of brush collected. Residents had asked her if there is a spot in the Village for residents to take any brush or could we coordinate with Kansas City to use their drop-off location? It was stated the Village currently has no drop location. She asked what could be done about local businesses that sell paraphernalia. Deputy Chief Griffin stated that the items are not illegal and as a result the police, or Village, have no say in what can or cannot be sold by the business.

Trustee Harvey supported the new police activity report Chief Coonce will be generating each month. He felt it provided the residents with good awareness of what the police department handles on a daily basis each month. The report will also be posted on the Village website.

On behalf of the EDC, Clerk King shared with the board the EDC’s recommendation to have Trustee McClure remain as a voting member of the EDC until October which would allow the committee time to recommend a new member to the Board. Discussion was held as to whether Trustee McClure should remain in a voting role. Trustee Carter moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve Trustee McClure remaining a member of the EDC as a liaison in a non-voting capacity. All yeas with Trustee McClure abstaining. Motion carried.

Chief Stewart shared the mold test results had been received and the findings of the air quality were all within normal limits.

Deputy Chief Griffin requested the board approve the hiring of Mr. Dennis Postal as a reserve/part-time police officer. Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to approve the hiring of Mr. Dennis Postal as a reserve/part-time officer to work every court night as an unpaid reserve and when assigned a shift to be paid at the standard part-time hourly rate of $12.48. All yeas. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the ordinance to amend sections 18-83 and 18-87 regarding the unlawful use of bow and arrow within the Village. The discussion was tabled for future discussion.

Trustee Barker moved, seconded by Trustee Harvey, to approve the business license for Claycomo Releasing, Inc., located at 242 NE 69 Hwy, Claycomo, MO. All yeas. Motion carried.

Response bids for the RFP to replace the cabinets in the fire station were opened. Only one bid was received. Upon review, the Board agreed to re-post the RFP with an April 24, 2015 deadline. New response bids would be opened and reviewed at the next board meeting on April 27, 2015.

There being no further business with the Board, Trustee Harvey moved, seconded by Trustee McClure, to recess the meeting subject to the call of the Chairman. All yeas. Motion carried. Recessed at 8:36 pm.

Dennis W. King, Village Clerk
Jim Stoufer, Chairman
Board of Trustees
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