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REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Monday, November 14, 2022

7:00 p.m.

Forum: Regular Meeting, Monday November 14, 2022, in the City Hall of Adrian, Missouri.
Officiate: Mayor Matt Cunningham presided and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
Present: Aldermen Vick, Hummel, Bridges, Sears
Absent: None

In Attendance: Sarah Oldridge, City Attorney, Ryan Wescoat, City Administrator, Evon Hall, Acting City Clerk

Visitors:

Mark Griffith, Ken Newsome, Amanda Rowland, Gary Dizney, Tom Williams, Doug Mager, Dennis Minich.

Call to Order: Mayor Cunningham called the meeting to order.

Roll Call: Alderman Vick, present, Alderman Hummel, present, Alderman Bridges, present, Alderman Sears, present.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of the Agenda: Alderman Hummel moved to approve the agenda. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Personal Appearances: None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Emergency Management: Ken Newsome reported that the siren testing was done November 2, 2022, and all sirens were working properly.

Fire Department: A written report was given, in conjunction with Gary Dizney also reporting that there were 50 calls for service in the past month. Sight and Safety Night went well with lots of trick-or-treaters.

Police Department:

Chris Dillon turned in a written report.

City Administrator:

Ryan Wescoat, Administrator reported that the ARPA grant for water meters was denied and Insituform sewer liners grant that was applied for has not been awarded yet. The lead line inventory grant was awarded to the city in the amount of \$200,000.00 with the city's match of \$40,000.00. Fire and Police grants for \$20,000.00 each, opened on October 15, 2022, and have been applied for by the Administrator. Administrator Ryan Wescoat met with the Bates County Hospital Administrator to discuss the need for an ambulance service located somewhere in the city limits of Adrian. The city employee insurance deductibles will be increasing and changes to the HRA amounts for each employee are expected to change also.

Public Works Department:

Mark Griffith turned in a written report and also reported the sidewalk damage at 1st and Kentucky has been repaired.

Water Production Department:

A written report was given. Tom also attended and informed the council that the water plant truck has been fitted with new tires and a motor tune-up. The water plant generator has also been serviced. The grant that was applied for to help replace the water meters was discussed. The funds for this project will come from the Capital Improvements Fund. There was discussion about the Department of Natural Resources adding more wastewater limitations and guidelines in the future for the city's wastewater lagoons.

Park Committee:

Alderman Hummel reported the season is over for the park and the rest rooms and concession stand have been winterized. Tree trimming within the park was discussed at the last park board meeting. The next board meeting will be December 1, 2022.

City Attorney:

Sara Oldridge, City Attorney discussed the recreational marijuana law that was passed in the last election. She also discussed the need for the city to pass an ordinance to be able to collect a 3% sales tax on the sales of recreational marijuana. An ordinance must be passed to allow the question to be placed on the ballot for voter approval.

Finance Committee:

Alderman Bridges reported that the finance committee had nothing to report at this time.

Consent Agenda:

Approval of Regular Council minutes for October

Approval of Bills paid in October

Approval of Bills to be paid November

Alderman Bridges moved to approve the consent agenda items. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Unfinished Business:

ATV/Recreational Vehicle Ordinance Discussion – Permit Process:

The ATV/Recreational vehicle ordinance is discussed and tabled until the next council meeting.

Business License Discussion – Permit Process

Amending the business license ordinance to add marijuana sales as well as adjustments for home-based business is discussed and tabled.

Codes Enforcement

Alderman Hummel made a motion to approve the contract with the Institute for Building Technology and Safety (IBTS) for Codes Enforcement. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business:

Alderman Hummel made a motion to approve Chamber Buck vouchers to be accepted in at City Hall. Alderman Bridges seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Ordinance For Election for North and South Aldermen:

Alderman Vick read Bill 22-25 calling for an Election for a North Ward Alderman and a South Ward Aldermen with errors to be corrected. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Alderman Vick read Bill 22-25 a second time calling for an Election for a North Ward Alderman and a South Ward Alderman with errors to be corrected. Alderman Bridges seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Cunningham declared Bill No.22-25 adopted and was placed in the ordinance book as Ordinance No. 1141 “Ordinance for Election for North Ward and South Ward Alderman” with errors to be corrected.

Roll Call: Alderman Vick – Aye | Alderman Hummel – Aye | Alderman Bridges – Aye | Alderman Sears – Aye.

No Election When Number of Filed Candidates Equals Number of Positions Available:

After a brief discussion the council decided to take no action on this matter.

RFP for Pasture and Hay Ground:

Alderman Bridges made a motion to advertise for the lease of the city’s pasture ground and mowing of the hay grounds at the city park for a three-year term. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

RFP for Sewer Line Smoke Testing:

Alderman Hummel made a motion to advertise for Sewer Line Smoke Testing. Alderman Bridges seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

RFP for Water engineering Report:

Alderman Bridges made a motion to advertise for a Water Engineering Report for a 5-year infrastructure plan for water lines the city. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Community Storm Shelter:

Grants and other sources are to be pursued for the funds to build a community storm shelter. The city is exploring a partnership with the school for a site location as well as other funding opportunities.

Adopt Technology Use Policy:

Alderman Bridges made a motion to Adopt a Technology Use Policy for all employees, aldermen and mayor. Alderman Sears seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

North Water Tower Lettering:

Discussion to add lettering "Home of the Blackhawks" to the north water tower ended with no action to be taken because of the substantial cost of adding it to the tower.

Social Media Conversation:

Social media on the city's Facebook page and the city's website are reviewed.

Public Comments:

There were no public comments.

Mayor/Alderman Communications:

Alderman Vick brought up the subject of landlord rental property complaints. Also discussed was a resolution against discrimination.

Adjournment:

Alderman Hummel moved to close regular session. Alderman Bridges seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Cunningham adjourned the regular meeting at 08:40 P.M.

Draft:

The minutes above are a draft copy until approved at the December 2022 council meeting.

Evon Hall
Acting City Clerk

Final Approval: _____
Mayor
Date _____