**City of Dearborn**

**Board of Alderman Special Meeting**

**April 22, 2024**

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in special session on April 22, 2024 at 7pm in the Robert S. “Bob” Bryan Community Center, Dearborn, Missouri.

The following officers and city personnel being present: Mayor Gaume, Alderman Pat Downing, Cole Reed, Don Kerns and Stacey Carter. City Clerk Cindy Atkison.

Cindy let the board know the bidder for the farmland said he will be planting vegetables, maybe corn, he wasn’t sure. Alderman Downing made motion to approve the farmland be rented for the remaining 2024 season to Brian Muse for $2,008.00, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 3 ayes and 1 nay, made by Reed. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaume wants Attorney Fowler to review the Cintas contract to be sure they are doing what was agreed to and see what products could be eliminated to save cost until the end of the contract.

Alderman Downing made motion to go into executive session pursuant to 610.021 (3) for personnel. Mayor Gaume asked for a roll call vote: Ayes - Downing, Reed, Carter, Kerns. Nays – none.

Board returned from executive session.

Discussion on adding a third clerk with knowledge of computers, Microsoft office, customer service skills and accounting or QuickBooks to work four hours a day Monday through Friday starting at minimum wage.

Discussion on office logistics, additional office equipment that would be needed, a desktop computer with two monitors, chair, three new business phones with good a speakerphone and software licensing costs for the addition of a third person in the office. Third person would work four hours a day Monday through Friday, starting at minimum wage.

Mayor Gaume questioned the reliability and stability of AT&T cell service, he suggested looking into service with Verizon and possibility add a third line for the office to have a cell phone.

Alderman Kerns made motion to adjourn, second by Downing. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

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Cindy Atkison, City Clerk Paul Gaume, Mayor