

City of Dearborn
Board of Alderman Regular Meeting
July 11, 2022

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on July 11, 2022 at 7:00pm in the Robert S. "Bob" Bryan Community Center, Dearborn, Missouri.

The following officers and city personnel being present: Mayor Jamie Morey, Alderman Don Kerns, Pat Downing, Breanna Cheadle, Paul Gaume, City Attorney Dan Fowler, Public Works Alex Ball and City Clerk Cindy Atkison. Deputy City Clerk Denise Rouse was absent.

Citizens and visitors present: Mike Lyon, Elaine Greer, Skylar Greer, Stacy Carter, Tanner Robb, Shelly Morey and Deputy Heckman with the Platte County Sheriff Dept.

June 13, 2022 Regular meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Gaume to approve minutes, second motion made by Cheadle. Vote was 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bills, warrants and payroll – Motion made by Alderman Cheadle to approve, second motion made by Gaume. Vote was 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Financial Statement Review – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve minutes, second motion made by Ker Cheadle ns. Vote was 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Audience Comments and Concerns: No comments or concerns.

New Business:

Certificate of Deposit – City Clerk spoke with Amy at Central Bank who determined no vote or minutes would be required to close out CD # ...5784 in the amount of \$113,980.42, which will be used to pay to Approved Paving toward street repairs.

Old Business:

Nuisance Complaint – Mike Lyon is still hearing loud music playing 24/7 inside the storage unit across from him. He has spoken with Bob Wagers and Lewis Taylor who live on Delaware Street and they can hear the music as well. Attorney Fowler said since a letter was sent last month next step would be to issue a citation and it would be helpful to have a couple police reports to go along with the complaints and citation. Clerk sent letters both certified and regular mail to the management company of 112 E 4th regarding tall grass.

Community Center Refrigerator and Generator – No one has returned calls on the refrigerator and one bid was received on the generator, other companies Alex has contacted other companies have not responded yet. Action Electric provided generator estimates: Community Center would be \$41,977 for a 38KW single phase 120/240 volt and the maintenance shop would be \$25,484 for a 25KW 3 phase 120/280 volt. No action taken.

City Hall Expansion or Sound at Community Center – Clerk spoke with Richard Troutman who suggested individual units with microphone and speaker for the Board and possibly one for the audience. The drop ceiling helps with acoustics or sound barrier. He will send more information and possibly set up a live demo at a future meeting.

6th Street – Alex will contact Brock Pfof for information to connect 6th Street to South Commercial Street.

Paradise Lake Sewer – Alex spoke with Brock Pfost who said whichever easement the City can obtain is the best way to go, other than it's out of our hands. Attorney Fowler said City would need a legal description of where the easement is going to go and then negotiate with land owners. City has right to take easement by eminent domain which will the city will have to pay for court proceeding. Easement route needs to be established before City can take action. Alex said a possibility is going west under bridge on Maple Leaf to the old railroad tracks up to Main Street. A 6" water line going under the highway. Could be issue obtaining easement from railroad because quite often they don't know what land they own or how they acquired it. Quickest and easiest is MoDot easement. Alderman Cheadle doesn't want to go eminent domain. Attorney Fowler said sometimes eminent domain is the only way to transfer title in Missouri.

City Audit – City Clerk is part way through the manual audit.

Tornado Sirens – Clerk presented information gathered from various surveyors, discussion why boundary survey is needed. Attorney Fowler said only easement description is needed.

Department Reports:

Public Works - Alex received the Bee Creek waterline extension numbers from Brock and they look reasonable. This will provide a second access across the creek to the water tower and provide looping and distribution improvements including shut off for the north end of town. Discussion of using ARPA funds, estimated project cost will run \$120,000, City would need to add \$20,000-25,000 over ARPA fund. Easements will need to be obtained from James Lewis and the school. Alex will let Brock know to proceed with a complete bid package and advertise it for the city. Bids are to be sent to City Hall with a closing date of October 7, 2022 at 5pm and will be opened at the meeting on October 10th.

Parks and Recreation – Tree in creek could possible block tube, Alex was informed and is evaluating the best way to handle it.

Community Center - Nothing to report.

Law Enforcement - Deputy Heckman reported they handled 21 traffic stops, 2 animals were taken to St. Joseph. A public hearing will be held this Wednesday about possible Y Highway bridge closures that are coming up.

Planning and Zoning – No permits to review.

City Clerk – The Historical Museum request to show museum open dates on the sign for July, August and possible once each month for a while, Board approved request. Work compensation audit is complete. Platte-Clay Electric has been billing the City for street lights at Paradise Lake. Clerk is waiting on return call from Mike the engineer at Platte Clay. Utility billing system has been prorating water and sewer service on initial and final bills instead of charging minimums, this has been corrected for July's billing. The billing company suggested prorating the trash service. Discussion on various billing situations and prorating on a 30 day basis.

Mayor Morey said complaints have been received about number of parked vehicles along both sides of Sandy Circle making it hard to get through. Alderman Cheadle will look into this.

Alderman Downing has received complaints about parked vehicles on 3rd Street at Main blocking sight as well as the stop sign. There have been several close calls. The large extended cab trucks as well as a trailer making it difficult for a single vehicle to pass by. Discussion of parking distance to stop sign, number of required parking spots per residence, additional parking in alley behind the building.

Elaine Greer asked what has happened with making the people who own the building across from Switch Track Mall that was a church pay taxes. She gave address information to Alderman Hott before he left. Attorney Fowler said if the owner requested it could re-zoned, he will look up information at the county. She also suggested the board consider moving everyone closer in order to hear well and consider the audience not just the Board being able to hear.

Discussion about large water bills and if they were shut off. Clerk explained one was MoDot normal sewer usage at rest area and other was possible leak, office tried to contact but phone number was not up to date.

Mayor Morey questioned why there were a couple of large water bill, if it was a leak or they had been turned off. One was MoDot rest area which is always several hundred thousand dollars, the other is one of the housing units, the office has left messages with number on record.

As there was no further business to discuss Alderman Gaume made motion to adjourn, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Cindy Atkison, City Clerk

Jamie Morey, Mayor