

**City of Dearborn
Board of Alderman Regular Meeting
July 8, 2024**

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on July 8, 2024 at 7:05pm in the Robert S. "Bob" Bryan Community Center, Dearborn, Missouri.

The following officers and city personnel being present: Mayor Paul Gaume, Aldermen Don Kerns, Pat Downing, Cole Reed and Stacey Carter. City Attorney Dan Fowler, Public Works Alex Ball, City Clerk Cindy Atkinson and Denise Rouse Deputy City Clerk.

Citizens and visitors present: Elaine Greer, Ken Miller, Trace Stone and Rebecca Stone.

Mayor Gaume opened the meeting at 7:03pm.

May 13, 2024 regular meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

May 13, 2024 executive meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

June 10, 2024 regular meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

June 10, 2024 executive meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Bills, warrants and payroll – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Financial Statement Review – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Audience Comments and Concerns:

Todd Schimmel inquired if a tiny home is allowed. He is looking at an empty lot at 4th and August Street or if that falls through, he wondered about putting it on his back lot since it's for a family member. Discussion whether tiny homes were on wheels or not. Alex informed him the lot on August has water and sewer.

Elaine Greer said the fiber company that came through town caused damage to the sidewalk in front her duplex at Main and 2nd Street, plus they left a large hole across the street by Switch Track Mall. She asked what the city could do to make them come back and fix the damage. Alex said she would need proof it was their orange line that caused the damage and that Sunrize Telecom is supposed to correct the damage. As a property owner she can contact them, Alex will get her their phone number.

New Business:

Central Bank Positive Pay – Mayor Gaume said there was a fraudulent check for \$43,000 that went through the bank, Central Bank advised there were three options: keep this account open and sign up with positive pay, close the account, open a new account with positive pay or sign a waiver that all risks are taken on by the city. Alderman Kerns questioned if our account was required to have two signatures and why didn't the bank verify the signature. Attorney Fowler explained that banks quick checking signatures long ago when they discovered it was cheaper to

take the loss than the expense to check each signature. Cindy said positive pay is a service that costs \$52.50 a month, it requires the city to enter checks and ACH payments into their system so when the check is presented it will be verified as a legitimate check from the city. Discussion on why pay the bank to do something they should do anyway, the service has not started the bank is waiting on signatures, have bank person come to a special meeting for further information.

Community Center Bids – As there were five bids received Mayor Gaume had each board member open a bid and read it aloud. The bids received were: Melissa Rainsbarger at \$40 per cleaning with \$220 deep clean, Lindsey Triplett weekly clean at \$50 for 3 hours at \$150 with yearly deep clean \$100 for 5 hours at \$500, Carolyn Garvis \$140 per cleaning if extra dirty additional \$25 with \$250 yearly clean, Devlyn Frazier \$275 per cleaning with \$400 yearly deep clean, Jennifer Pierce deep clean \$400 yearly with \$1 per square foot of cleanable area. Discussion that bidders might not have understood what was required, we should let them know this is not what was required. Cindy said only two information packets were picked up, there were a couple calls inquiring on how often it's rented, other than that no one asked any questions. Discussion on having bidders come to a meeting to see what is needed, contact Melissa Rainsbarger and Carolyn Garvis to be sure they understood requirements.

Old Business:

Kubota Lease – Attorney Fowler said Kubota asked for a legal opinion, he didn't think it was clear that this was a lease with a buy out option and out of an abundance of caution he wanted the board to see the lease agreement.

City Hall Sign – Alex has received a couple bids from the company that did the county park signs the large sign is \$2,000 double sided plus poles, the smaller ones are \$1,500. Discussion on the material and fading issues. Board decided to keep looking.

Department Reports:

Public Works – Alex said September 9th is the date to start painting the water tower. He just got back from vacation this afternoon.

Parks and Recreation – No information.

Community Center – Mayor Gaume said a funeral home called and a local person has passed and they would like to rent the center next Thursday night and Friday, he wants to know how much to charge them. Discussion had that since it was a local person, it would be good to help out the family. Alderman Downing made motion to charge a single day rent, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement – A ticket was issued using the county code on a city ticket. There were 17 calls for service, no arrests. Some tickets were issued for parking in the alleys, discussion of truck being parked for over a month on Main Street and what can be done.

Planning and Zoning

- **Elaine Greer, 703 A Harrington, Addition** – Mayor Gaume has reviewed the site. Elaine also would like to change apartment letters to coordinate with the street numbering system and make it the same as the other duplex on Harrington. Cindy stated the post office suggested waiting until her new renter moves sides to change apartment letters. Alderman Reed made motion to approve the permit, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

- **Robert Armstrong, 103 Troutman Circle, Fence** – Alderman Reed made motion to approve the permit, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

City Clerk – Cindy informed the board NP Museum wants to run a sign for Celebrating TWA Days, the week before July 20th. Board approved sign. Denise Rouse asked if it is necessary to get board approval on all signs, the board agreed that all signs need approval. A reminder that ARPA requires a board member to be listed on the contact list and we still have Breanna Cheadle listed. Mayor Gaume nominated Stacey Carter to be the ARPA contact.

Alderman Reed made motion to go into executive session pursuant to 610.021 (1) for privileged communications with attorney. Mayor Gaume asked for a roll call vote: Ayes - Downing, Reed, Carter, Kerns. Nays – none.

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

Cindy Atkison, City Clerk



Paul Gaume, Mayor

