

City of Dearborn
Board of Alderman Regular Meeting
May 12, 2025

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on May 12, 2025 at 7:00pm in the Robert S. "Bob" Bryan Community Center, Dearborn, Missouri.

The following officers and city personnel being present: Mayor Paul Gaume, Aldermen Pat Downing, Cole Reed, and Stacey Carter. Alderman Amy Acock was absent. Public Works Alex Ball and City Clerk Cindy Atkison.

Citizens and visitors present: Cody Munsterman, Vince Roberts, Brad Johnson, Lynn Cassity, and Platte County Sheriff Sgt. Jessica Dvola.

Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve the April 14, 2025 regular meeting minutes, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve the April 14, 2025 executive session meeting minutes with correction, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Bills, warrants and payroll – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Financial statement review – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Audience Comments and Concerns:

Lynn Cassity inquired about a possible annexation across the interstate and she is concerned because they have property in that area and prefers to stay in the county. Attorney Fowler said that the land must be contiguous with the city limits to qualify for annexation.

Brad Johnson said his daughter lives at 203 S June and a tree fell on fence the fence. He asked if a permit was needed since he was replacing the fence exactly the same height and length. Board replied that no permit will be needed to replace the fence.

New Business:

Street Repair Bids – Alex said Approved Paving was the only company that provided bids. Alderman Downing made motion to accept Approved Paving bid of \$27,250.00 for the streets listed in the bid, second by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Community Food Network – Larry Springs informed Cindy they have a new refrigerator to bring in and were concerned if current line could handle the additional load. Alex checked and there is not a problem adding a additional refrigerator. The board discussed installing a separate electric meter and wants to set-up a meeting with CFN. Mayor Gaume asked Cindy to contact Evergy about the cost and requirements for setting a new meter.

Budget – Cindy informed the board the sewer fund expense does not have a payroll category and asked the board to amend the budget. Motion made by Alderman Carter to approve the first amendment of the 2025 budget, second by Reed. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Nuisance Abatement 4th Street Mowing Bids– No bids were received. Alderman Downing said he saw that this property is being sold for back taxes by the county.

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Department Reports:

Public Works – No information.

Parks and Recreation – Alex said the walking trail plan was approved by the county for the partnership grant. He has three bids for concrete on the trail. Precision Construction at \$166,140.00, Bottorff Construction \$177,864.00 and PWC \$164,000.00. Alderman Reed made motion to approve the concrete bid with PWC at \$164,000.00, second by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Community Center – Mayor Gaume said the flag pole got knocked over and broke the topper.

Law Enforcement – Mayor Gaume asked Sgt. Dvola about deputy's parking in the cemetery and asked for them to be more visible. Sgt. Dvola said they should be writing reports, they try to find a safe place so people don't walk up on them while they are looking at their computer. Alderman Reed asked if Platte County was in talks with the new animal control shelter in St. Joseph. Sgt. Dvola replied that is up to the commissioners.

Planning and Zoning – Cody Munsterman, 105 Troutman Circle, Shed. Discussion had about putting the shed on skids instead of in-ground, placement of shed in yard. After the discussion, Cody decided to put the shed on skids. Mayor Gaume said that no permit would be needed.

Vince Roberts, Roberts Ag, Demolish and Re-build the Dry Chemical Building. Vince walked the board through the plans. He prefers this to be an accessory building since it is not an office where work is done, it is only for storage of dry chemicals. Discussion on the definition of a commercial building. After discussion Vince said the conveyor belt could be made free floating so it is not attached. Alderman Reed made motion to categorize Roberts Ag building as an accessory building and approve the permit, second by Downing. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Roger Frizell, 502 A Main St, Solar Panels – Board discussed why the need for a permit to put something on your home. Board decided that solar panels on homes will not need a building permit.

City Clerk – Cindy informed the board the historical museum provided a list signs they would like to have ran for their monthly events, board approved the signs. The 2024 audit will be done soon. In AARPA reporting there was testing equipment that was reported in the first year, however the testing equipment was not categorized as AARPA expense. After removing the testing equipment there is \$15,373.79 remaining for the water looping project. Discussion if a report was needed or just the material, Attorney Fowler said it would be best to have a report to show the government.

Alex asked if the city's flag pole could be moved to be inline with the sign. This will also help with a future project. Alderman Reed made motion that the flag pole can be moved, second by Downing. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Alderman Reed made motion to adjourn, second by Carter. Vote was 3 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.



Cindy Atkison, City Clerk



Paul Gaume, Mayor