City of Dearborn Board of Alderman Special Meeting May 27, 2025

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in special session on May 27, 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, Stacey Carter, and Amy Acock. City Clerk Cindy Atkison.

Citizens and visitors present: Vince Roberts with Roberts Ag, Community Food Network Board Members - Carol Bryan, Jane Haag, Jerry Haag, Bud Gilfen and Larry Springs.

Vince Roberts informed the board that the cost to make the conveyer system floating would be much more than the permit cost and asked to change the building from accessory to industrial.

Alderman Acock made a motion to allow Vince Roberts to change the dry chemical building from accessory to industrial, second by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Alderman Reed made motion to approve the industrial building permit fee of \$7,975.00, second by Downing. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaume informed the Community Food Network (CFN) the board wanted to talk with them about the cost to run the building and that we are losing about \$21,000 a year. The board is also talking to Dearborn Senior Collaborative to find ways to increase revenue. He said the city board was considering installing a new electric meter and separate off the CFN room, and have them pay the bill. He also did a study on the amount of electricity each refrigerator or freezer in CFN uses and said it totals about \$3,000 a year.

Discussions on about various ways to determine electric usage only for CFN. Jane Haag said CFN works off donations only, food prices are increasing and she suggested going back to the county to see if they have any grants to help maintain the facility.

Jerry Haag suggested a half cent sales tax, it might be a hard sell to the citizens but if explained properly it could pass and would help greatly.

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

Cindy Atkison, City Clerk

Paul Gaume, Mayor