

**City of Dearborn**  
**Board of Alderman Regular Meeting**  
**September 9, 2024, 2024**

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on September 9, 2024, 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 Prosecutor Gary Collins, Public Works Alex Ball, City Clerk Cindy Atkison and Denise Rouse Deputy City Clerk.

Citizens and visitors present: Melinda Hott, Charles Loren Reed, Ken Miller, Jacob Peterson with Redgate Disposal, Amy Peterson with Redgate Disposal, Cpt. Woodrow Painter with Platte County Sheriff.

Mayor Gaume opened the meeting at 7:00pm.

August 12, 2024 regular meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

August 12, 2024 executive meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve second motion made by Carter. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

August 26, 2024 public hearing minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

August 26, 2024 special meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

August 29, 2024 special meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Kerns to approve, second motion made by Downing. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

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

Financial statement review – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

**Audience Comments and Concerns:**

Loren Reed said his taxes were raised on the creek bed because he maintains the grass to the creek and the county said he could have goats or is allowing people to camp. He asked council for authorization to tell the county he is not allowing anyone to camp along the creek, nor has goats. Alderman Kerns said this is in the floodplain and you can't build anything there.

Ken Miller presented a building application to the board for a shed that be on skids, discussion that shed will be on skids and therefore no permit is needed. He is also on the Betterment Committee Board and inquired about having a farmers' market two days a month starting in the spring, discussion of using Delaware Street between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Streets. The Betterment Committee will be holding Christmas in Dearborn at the community center December 7<sup>th</sup>. Cindy questioned if they are coordinating the community garage sales, Ken will find out. There have been changes in the betterment board and Ken will be handling more things.

Alderman Reed said someone talked to him about renting the farmland and asked if the board would consider a 5-year term, since this person will be seeding and fertilizing for hay. Board said they could consider something along those lines. Cindy said the sealed farmland bids are due October 3<sup>rd</sup> and will be opened October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

ARPA Fund – Cindy informed the board there is \$11,300 left in the ARPA fund and needs to be allocated by December 31, 2024. Alex said he will ask Brock Pfost with White Cloud Engineering about getting an engineer report for the water line in the creek.

Street Construction – Board reviewed Platte county's standards. Attorney Collins will have Attorney Fowler review them and contact Alex for additional information.

Redgate Disposal Contract – Jacob Peterson informed the board that Terry Peterson has decided to retire, Jacob and Amy Peterson will be taking over. The city's contract will expire at the end of the year unless it is renewed. Jacob said they are looking at a 5% of .82 cents per pickup, with the option for two (2) three (3) year extensions. They are changing the pickup hours May to September from 7AM to 6AM, when temperatures get hotter. Alderman Reed has concerns about their treatment of trash cans, a couple of his was broken by Redgate, when he called and told them about it, they basically said that's tough. Discussion of Redgate providing trash cans for a monthly charge, the cans are tougher than can be bought at retail, the city would need to track and bill these, customers could have multiple cans, if damaged they will be replaced. Alderman Carter suggested keeping the new rate for the first three (3) years of the agreement. Discussion about recycling program requirements, Jacob can figure up numbers for a recycling program if the city wants. A new contract will be sent to be reviewed for the next meeting.

**Old Business:**

Concession Stand Roof – Alex provided two bids, one is for a new roof and shingles, the other is for a tin roof, since we are missing shingles, a new roof is needed before winter. Discussion on metal verses shingles, warranty information, insurance. Alderman Reed made motion to approve the bid from Full Roof at \$6,800, second by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Water Tower Painting Loan – Cindy informed the board there was a slight delay because NRWA requires a bond for the amount of the loan, it was determined the treasurer bond is what was needed. The paperwork should be here by in the next week to be signed, the rate is still at 3%.

**Department Reports:**

Public Works – Alex said the lead line inventory has been turned into DNR, there were only seven that needed to be dug up no lead was found.

Parks and Recreation – Alex said some of the park equipment purchased with the grant is here and the invoices have been sent to the county for reimbursement.

Community Center – Alderman Carter said things have been going well with the new cleaner. Denise informed the board Parkville Living Center, who runs the senior programs is wanting to hold a town hall event for discussions with candidates running for office in Platte County. They are asking the city to waive the rental fee. Alderman Reed made motion to waive the rental fee for Parkville Living Center to hold a town hall event provided they clean up afterwards, second by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement – Capt. Painter reported they responded to 19 calls for service, seven traffic stops. Alderman Downing asked with the city having a leash law, can the sheriff do something about a dog running around if their owner is known. Captain Painter would want to review the ordinance first but thought it might be something they could do.


Planning and Zoning – None.

City Clerk – Cindy informed the board NP Museum wants to run a sign for Reminisce Day Sept 28<sup>th</sup>, board approved. The city spent \$160 for the farmland bid to run in the paper. MRWA conference for clerks is October 28 to 30<sup>th</sup>, they are discussing rate studies and setting rates. We should be able to use vouchers to pay for class, city would need to pay for hotel, mileage and food. Alderman Downing made motion for Cindy to attend the MRWA conference October 28 to 30<sup>th</sup>, second by Kerns. A customer called asking to have the trash fee removed because they have a dumpster. We do have another resident that has a dumpster who pays for city trash rate in addition paying for the dumpster. It was decided they would still need to pay the city trash rate but they could have a dumpster.

Tall grass nuisances were discussed along with how to abate the issues, Alex will provide a list of properties that need a letter.

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

  
Cindy Atkison, City Clerk

  
Paul Gaume, Mayor