



**City of Dearborn
Board of Alderman Regular Meeting
December 11, 2023**

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on December 11, 2023 at 7:10pm 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 and City Clerk Cindy Atkison.

Citizens and visitors present: Trace Stone, Elaine Greer, Thomas Fugate with Platte County Sheriff.

Mayor Gaume opened the meeting at 7:04pm.

November 13, 2023 meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed to approve, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

November 13, 2023 executive minutes – Motion made by Alderman Reed 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 – Tabled until the auditor can respond.

New Business:

Bill 369 Ordinance 362 Authorizing Settlement Agreement – Mayor Gaume moved the bill to executive session.

2024 Budget – Cindy is working on the budget there are a few changes yet to be made. Mayor Gaume suggested holding a special meeting to approve when it's ready.

Old Business:

Semi-Truck Parking on City Streets – Mayor Gaume has not been able to locate the semi-truck while it is parked. Discussion had about weight limit on street and overtime divots appear in road where heavy vehicles park. Board decided to send a letter.

Water Tower Maintenance – Cindy said the application for a maintenance loan from National Rural Water Association is ready, board approval is needed before it can be submitted. Maguire Iron will have a price increase at the beginning of 2024, they suggest getting the price locked in while we are working with NRWIA on funding. Oral resolution #2302 authorizing the Mayor to execute contract with Maguire Iron for \$145,000 to paint the water tower. Alderman Downing motioned to authorize Mayor Gaume to execute the contract with Maguire Iron for water tower maintenance and painting at \$145,000, second by Kerns. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Oral Resolution #2303 authorizing the city clerk to apply for financing of contract price with Maguire Iron of \$145,000 for water tower maintenance and painting. Alderman Downing made motion to authorize the city clerk to apply for financing of contracted price with Maguire Iron of \$145,000, second by Reed. Vote was 4 aye, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Mayor Gaume received a complaint about a boat being partially parked on Laural Street by the no parking sign. Discussion on why this street is no parking.

Audience Comments and Concerns:

Trace Stone asked for a better understanding about the street weight limit.

Department Reports:

Public Works – Alex reported the sewer line should be done tomorrow and the bridge on Y Highway should be open by the end of the month.

Parks and Recreation – No information.

Community Center – Cindy said Parkville Living Center contacted her and they are most likely going to be providing senior services for Dearborn, Weston, Platte City and wanted to see what might be expected. Mayor Gaume said the tables are falling apart, he will put the screws in the tables to help stability. Some renters think the stove has issues, Alex said with it being a glass top it takes a while for the hot burner to cool off and the hot indicator stays on.

Law Enforcement – Deputy Fugate reported there were 21 calls and 12 traffic stops and 16 citations. It was mentioned to watch for illegally parked vehicles and ticket them.

Planning and Zoning – No permits to issue.

City Clerk – Cindy reported filing for city office closes December 26th at 5pm, open positions are Mayor and two Alderman-at-Large, all for a two-year term. We have an opportunity to replace our copier with a refurbished one with minimal prints made for \$2,000. The office copier is over 10 years old, it has not failed but could have a clutch going out based on intermittent noise it makes. Discussion on why clutch was not replaced, cost of clutch, what service contract includes, repairing copier old copier to sell. It was decided that once more information is obtained a special meeting will be held to finalize. The water bills went out about five days late because the check did not get signed, it was questioned if the late fee should be waived. Board decided not to waive the late fee.

Alderman Downing made motion to go into executive session under RSMo #610.021 (1), (3), and (12) to confer with attorney, personnel and negotiated contract until a contract is executed. Mayor Gaume asked for a roll call vote Ayes: Downing, Reed, Carter, Kerns. Nays: none.

Mayor Gaume said no votes were taken in executive session.

Alderman Reed said someone contacted him about holding weekly cornhole tournaments at the community center, funds raised will go toward a scholarship and asked if that was something the Board would consider. Discussion on group being non-profit, other possibilities to use the school gym.

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

Cindy Atkinson, City Clerk



Paul Gaume, Mayor

