

**City of Dearborn
Board of Alderman Regular Meeting
February 13, 2023**

The Board of Alderman of Dearborn, Missouri met in regular session on February 13, 2023 at 7:00pm in the Robert S. "Bob" Bryan Community Center, Dearborn, Missouri.

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

Citizens and visitors present: Vince Roberts, Trace Stone, Stacy Carter, Shelly Morey, Loren Reed and Sgt. Jason Penix with Platte County Sheriff.

January 9, 2023 meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Gaume to approve, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

January 9, 2023 executive session minutes – Motion made by Alderman Gaume to approve, second motion made by Reed. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

January 18, 2023 special meeting minutes – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve, second motion made by Gaume. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

January 30, 2023 meeting for bidders' minutes - Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve, second motion made by Gaume. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

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

Financial Statement Review – Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve, second motion made by Kerns. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Audience Comments and Concerns:

Stacy Carter was considering helping out with the community center rentals, however she would not be available for weekends. She suggested the Board think about paying someone to do rental duties for the Community Center. The office can handle weekday rentals, it's the weekends and emergency contact where help is needed. Discussion about using a key pad entry system instead of key system to alleviate meeting someone to hand them a key.

Trace Stone asked why the posted copy of the agenda differs from the meeting copy and suggested they be the same.

New Business:

Bill 367 Ordinance 360, Increase Water Connection Fee – Mayor Morey read ordinance for a first time by title only. Alderman Kerns made motion to accept the first reading, seconded by Downing. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Bill 367 Ordinance 360, Increase Water Connection Fee – Mayor Morey read ordinance for a second time by title only. Alderman Downing made motion to adopt the bill, seconded by Reed. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Motion made by Alderman Downing to approve Bill 367 Ordinance 360 Increase Water Connection Fee, seconded by Reed. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

Ball Association Agreement - Board reviewed agreement with Ball Association in place until 2028.

Old Business:

Community Center Janitorial Bids: No bids have been received. Only one vendor attended the bidder's meeting. Mayor Morey said he will contact the vendor to see if he is interested.

Relocate Waterline for Bridge Replacement – One bid has been received and that is from Brock Pfost with White Cloud Engineering, his bid is \$40,000.00. Boring is an uncertain cost, estimate from Brock is \$12,000 and is not included in the \$40,000. Motion made by Alderman Gaume to accept Brock's bid of \$40,000, seconded by Kerns. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed. Discussion of adding a deadline to the previous motion. Alderman Kerns made motion to add MoDot's deadline of March 31, 2023 to the previous motion, seconded by Gaume. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed.

Concession Stand – Alex stated that grant to Platte County Parks and Recreation Outreach Grant Program is due next week and he will submit application.

Tornado Sirens – Blue Valley will still need to review locations for cost and final decision needs to be made where to locate them. Alex will check on battery backups and costs to install.

Dangerous Buildings – Attorney Fowler said a letter with return receipt was sent and received by Owner. Cindy said owner's son is taking over the construction inquired about building permits, Attorney Fowler requested the owner contact him with updates.

Department Reports:

Public Works – Alex asked to send a handout about identifying the type of pipes connecting water to homes and buildings be sent out to all customers and to issue a \$10.00 credit to those who send a viable picture of the pipes. All connections to the water system have to be identified, which could mean the city has to dig. Motion made by Alderman Kerns to send handout to all water customers, seconded by Downing. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed. Alderman Downing made motion to issue a \$10.00 credit on water service if viable picture is sent, seconded by Kerns. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed.

The new truck order has been put off until 2025, they found a red Ford F350 truck with plow available at a cost of approximately \$65,000.00 plus shipping of \$400.00 from Victory Lane Ford in Litchfield, IL. Motion made by Alderman Reed to purchase the red Ford F350 truck with plow including shipping fee from Victory Lane Ford in Litchfield, IL for \$65,400.00, seconded by Kerns. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion passed.

Alderman Reed questioned what the policy is on damage done during snow removal, Alex said they replaced a mail box when it was knocked over during the snow removal process.

Parks and Recreation – Salvaged park equipment is ready to be put up at Vaughn Park and grants proposals are due to the county next week.

Community Center – No information.

Law Enforcement – Sgt. Penix reported they responded to 17 service calls and no major crimes occurred.

Planning and Zoning – Vince Roberts of Roberts Ag discussed a historic grant he has received on the metal ag buildings, construction is at least one and a half years away. The grant is a perseveration rehab where items like concrete are repurposed. The ag building next to the

community center is within 2' of the property line, it has a good concrete base and he questions if that would be a setback issue. Alex suggested if the concrete and footprint remain it should not be an issue. Alderman Kerns said he needs to check on the new floodplain regulations dealing with construction.

City Clerk – City Clerk Atkison wanted Board to know that there are some issues between the new meter tops and the billing software. Several of the old meters had issues during the very cold weather and weren't working properly which caused account to be charged the minimum. Meters are on order, he is replacing them as he can. The office will work with Alex to correct or find ways to input needed information. Alderman Reed asked if audit was completed and if we were still being fined, Cindy said the fines were stopped and they are being paid out of the sales tax. The 2021 audit is underway and the 2022 audit is scheduled to start the end of March.

Loren Reed mentioned the blinking power outages and said everyone needs to notify Evergy when their low wattage devices and appliances blink.

Alderman Kerns asked about replacing street light bulbs, Alex made contact and is waiting on return call.

Motion to go into Executive Session per MO Sunshine Law #610.021 (3) to discuss personnel. Yea - Alderman Kerns, Reed, Downing and Gaume, Nay - none. Board went into executive session.

The need to authorize an additional signor on the bank accounts was discussed and the board decided that Pat Downing would be added to the bank accounts.

Votes were taken in executive session.

Alderman Gaume made motion to adjourn, seconded by Downing. Vote was 4 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.


Cindy Atkison, City Clerk


Don Kerns, Mayor Pro-Tem