

**City of Prairie Home**  
**City Hall, 416 Highway Drive, Prairie Home, MO**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**

**Thursday, April 11, 2024**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**ROLL CALL:**

- Present: Jim Lachner, Mayor; Eric Kirschman, Cindy Lenger, Ray Weber
- Staff: Kim Force, City Attorney; Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk
- Others: Sierrah Miller, James Wyrick

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Ms. Fontana presented amendments to the tentative agenda of Solid Waste Removal Bid Review and High Street Gravel. Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Mr. Kirschman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**APRIL 4, 2023 MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS AND OATHS OF OFFICE:**

- The non-contested vote issue was approved. As a result, there will not be a vote if the number of individuals who filed for Board positions is equal to the number of open positions. This provision will sunset after six years.
- Mr. Weber and Ms. Lenger were elected as aldermen at-large. Ms. Fontana administered the oaths of office.

**BOARD MEMBER RESIGNATION; APPOINTMENT AND OATH OF OFFICE:** Ms. Fontana reported Donald Dietzel had submitted his resignation. Mr. Lachner appointed Sierrah Miller to fill the remaining term until April 2025. Mr. Kirschman made a motion to approve the appointment. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Ms. Fontana administered the oath of office.

**ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO-TEM:** Ms. Lenger nominated Mr. Kirschman to serve as mayor pro-tem. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONTINUANCE OF APPOINTMENTS:** Mr. Kirschman made a motion to continue the appointments of the City Clerk, City Attorney, Chief of Police, and the banking arrangement at Connections Bank. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Mr. Kirschman made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 21, 2024. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:** None.

**WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT:**

- Mr. Kirschman and Mr. Lachner briefly discussed issues with the storage basin and the need for back-up support for running the center pivot.

**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

- Mr. Lachner reported the fence along the south side of the storage basin had been worked on.
- Mr. Lachner delivered the welcome sign to the school to be re-painted.
- Mr. Lachner reported he spoke with a resident regarding water service at a new home.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:** None.

**CLERK'S REPORT:**

- Ms. Fontana presented the financial report. Ms. Lenger made a motion to accept the report. Mr. Kirschman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Ms. Fontana reminded the Board the spring clean-up is scheduled for April 22 and the dog clinic is scheduled for June 8.

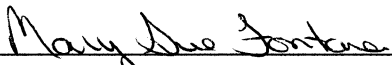
**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **School Resource Officer.** Jordan Hoecker, Prairie Home School Superintendent, presented options the school is considering for staffing a school resource officer, with the possibility of partnering with the City.
- **County Collector Agreement.** Ms. Fontana shared information that Diana Thomas, Cooper County Collector, had offered to enter into a new agreement with the City, which would reduce the amount the City would pay for property tax collection. Ms. Force presented Ordinance 293, An Ordinance to Authorize the Termination of the Existing Cooperative Agreement with the County Collector of Cooper County and the Signing of a New Cooperative Agreement with the County Collector of Cooper County. Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve Ordinance 293. Mr. Kirschman seconded. The motion passed by roll call vote: Kirschman, yes. Lenger, yes. Weber, yes. Miller, yes.
- **Solid Waste Removal Bid Review.** Ms. Fontana presented the bids received from RTS Waste Services, T-MAC, and Waste Management. Ms. Lenger made a motion to award the bid to T-MAC, as the lowest and best bid. Mr. Kirschman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **High Street Gravel.** Mr. Lachner suggested making improvements to the gravel extension of High Street. No decision was made.

**OTHER:** Ms. Lenger expressed concern about dirt bikes being driven on sidewalks and in yards.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Ms. Lenger made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

  
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Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk

  
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James R. Lachner, Mayor