

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

Thursday, July 18, 2024

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

ROLL CALL:

- Present: Jim Lachner, Mayor; Eric Kirschman, Cindy Lenger, Ray Weber
- Absent: Sierrah Miller
- Staff: Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk
- Citizens: Tara Cummings

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Mr. Kirschman made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. Cummings requested information regarding culvert replacement on Main Street, which is also State Route EE.

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 27, 2024 meeting. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT:

- The Board discussed details of advertising for a new Chief of Police.
- Ms. Fontana shared information from a conversation with Chris Class, Cooper County Sheriff, regarding which services the County can provide.
- Mr. Lachner reported the rifle had been destroyed at the State Highway Patrol Headquarters.

WATER/SEWER DEPARTMENT:

- DJ Schmitz, Drinking Water Operator, had shared that the generator has been repaired.
- Joe Odneal, Waste Water Operator, had provided options on how to correct the storm water infiltration issue at the lift station. Ms. Fontana will request estimates from ESA Inc., the maintenance provider.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

- Mr. Lachner reported he had been running the center pivot and mowed at the lagoons, and had cut and sprayed weeds at the lift station and a few other spots. The sickle mower is in need of repair and he asked Mr. Kirschman to look at it.
- The welcome signs still need to be repainted. Ms. Fontana will ask local artists if they are interested.

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.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Sanitation Contract and Ordinance 294.** Ms. Fontana shared the contract previously approved and read Ordinance 294, An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution of the Solid Waste Collection Service Agreement with T-MAC, Inc. Mr. Kirschman made a motion to approve Ordinance 294. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Lenger: yes. Kirschman: yes. Weber: yes.
- **Ordinance 264D Utilities.** Having been made previously available, Ms. Fontana read by title only Ordinance 264D, An Ordinance Establishing Utility Rates and Applicable Payment Policies for All Patrons of the City of Prairie Home. The updates to the Ordinance were to the sanitation rate section and clean-up wording in the delinquency section. Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve Ordinance 264D. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed on a roll call vote: Lenger: yes. Kirschman: yes. Weber: yes.

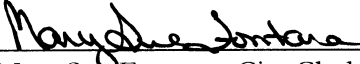
NEW BUSINESS:

- **Agenda Format.** Mr. Lachner proposed changes to the monthly Board meeting agenda format, including the addition of a specific item for Board members' comments. The Board approved the changes. Ms. Fontana will work with Kim Force, City Attorney, to make changes to the related ordinance.
- **Well House Bathrooms.** Mr. Kirschman reported there are broken fixtures due to inadequate winterizing. After discussion, the Board decided to wait until spring to determine if the bathrooms would be needed.

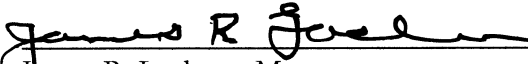
OTHER:

- Ms. Fontana provided information received from Byers Truck and Shovel for work on the High Street graveled extension. Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve work be performed by Byers, as long as his bid included pothole repair. Mr. Kirschman seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Lachner asked for profit information related to the Revenue account.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Kirschman made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.



Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk



James R. Lachner, Mayor