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

## Thursday, August 21, 2025

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm, following the tax levy hearing.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

- Present: Jim Lachner, Mayor; David Borghardt, Cindy Lenger, Sierrah Miller, Ray Weber
- Staff: Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk
- Others: James Wyrick

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Borghardt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:** Ms. Lenger made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2025 meeting. Mr. Weber seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **REPORTS AND COMMENTS:**

- Police.
  - o Chief Lauer provided a report stating the required state and federal reports had been submitted.
  - The police department is in the process of being audited by the state for compliance with various systems and processes. Chief Lauer provided a report that he has provided all information requested.
  - o The board discussed the status of outstanding abatements.
- Water and Sewer.
  - o Ms. Fontana updated the Board on the status of the projects needed to be in compliance with the waste water inspection performed by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The next update is due August 31.
  - O A representative from Missouri Rural Water Association will be at City Hall on August 26 to train on the new GIS system, Diamond Maps.
- Attorney. Ms. Force provided a report that all outstanding tickets had been paid.
- **Clerk.** Ms. Lenger made a motion to accept the monthly financial report. Ms. Miller seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- Board Members. None.
- Mayor. Mr. Lachner expressed concern that trash continues to be left at the recycling center. The Board discussed the possibility of only collecting cardboard and paper and also discussed various ways to remind area residents of unacceptable items.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

- **Property Tax Levy Certification.** Mr. Lachner noted there had been no comments made at the public hearing held prior to this meeting. Mr. Borghardt made a motion to set the tax rate levy at 0.9041% for 2025. Ms. Lenger seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- **FY25 Annual Financial Report.** Ms. Fontana provided the board with copies of the annual financial report, which had been prepared by Evers & Company. The appropriate reports will be published in the county paper and submitted to the State Auditor's Office as required.
- **FY25 Budget-to-Actual Report.** Ms. Fontana provided the finalized budget-to-actual report.
- Street Lights. The Board discussed areas in town where they felt additional street lights would be beneficial. It was concluded to request at two additional lights on Mill Street and one additional light each on Lacy Street, High Street, and Teel Street. Each additional light will cost approximately \$12.00 per month.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Ms. Lenger made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Miller seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Mary Sue Fontana, City Clerk

James R. Lachner, Mayor