



MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF GREEN PARK, MISSOURI
November 18, 2019

Mayor Thuston called the Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, November 18, 2019, at the Green Park City Hall, 11100 Mueller Road, Suite 5, Green Park, Missouri. The roll was called and the following officers were present:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Mayor: Tim Thuston	X		
Aldermen: Fred Baras	X		
Joe Monteleone	X		
Michael Broughton	X		
James Jones	X		
Matt Farwig	X		
Scott Treece		X	

REGULAR MEETING:

1. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of October 21, 2019.

A motion was made by Alderman Monteleone to approve the minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of October 21, 2019. There was a second by Alderman Baras. Upon a voice vote being taken, it was announced the motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

2. Citizen Comments & Petitions

There were no comments from citizens.

3. Reports of Officers & Committees:

3.1 Mayor & Board of Aldermen

Mayor Thuston reported that he appointed Carol Hamilton to the Lindbergh East Concord Transportation Development District (TDD). He needs to appoint one more resident and requested that he be notified if anyone knows of someone who might be interested.

Alderman Broughton suggested the City pay off the mortgage on the City Hall building. City Administrator James Mello will check into the mortgage agreement to determine if there are any penalties in paying it off early.

Alderman Broughton also proposed that the City create the position of Community Resources Coordinator by ordinance and that it be staffed as soon as possible. The initial position would be part-time, approximately 12 hours per week. Alderman Broughton believes that with the large population of older adults residing in Green Park, many in our community which are disabled and under-served, the City could provide assistance with a variety of functions. Alderman Broughton provided a handout with Statistical U.S. Census Data of Residents 60 years of age and older. He also provided an outline of his proposal, the reasons this position is needed, and the responsibilities of the Community Resources Coordinator. Some discussion ensued.

Alderman Baras questioned the City Engineer on what progress has been made on the crack and seal and storm sewers on Green Park Road, and a brief discussion ensued.

3.2 City Attorney

The City Attorney had nothing to report.

3.3 City Engineer/Building Commissioner

The City Engineer, Derrick Madej, provided an update on the 2019 Street Replacement Project stating that it was approximately 80% complete. The contractor will begin pouring the next phase on Wednesday.

3.4 City Administrator/City Clerk

James Mello advised the City will be hosting the Municipal League's monthly meeting on Thursday, November 21st, in Suite 5 and encouraged the Board to attend.

3.5 Treasurer Report

The treasurer's report is in the packet.

3.6 County Police Report

Sergeant Absolon introduced P.O. Sanda Cosic as the new Green Park officer. She has been with St. Louis County about 2 years, and she will be bike trained this spring. Officers Hake and Cosic will rotate schedules.

Officer Hake presented the October Police Report which indicated there were 289 calls for service of which 167 were directed calls and 122 were self-initiated calls. There were 53 reports written, 16 citations and 21 warnings issued, and 2 drug arrests made (one on Arno and one behind Suntrup property). There was a total of 5 arrests made in October. Officer Hake reported that the one burglary reported occurred on Southtowne Farms Drive, where a vehicle was stolen out of the garage and later recovered in St. Louis City. The individual responsible for the burglary was the boyfriend of the homeowner's daughter and was able to get into the home while the parents were sleeping and knew where the car keys were kept.

4. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

5. New Business

5.1 Bill No. 829 – An Ordinance calling for an Election for the Office of Alderman, One for each Ward of the City, to be held on April 7, 2020.

Mayor Thuston stated that each year we have to call for an April Election by ordinance. This ordinance does that. Candidate filing begins at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, December 17th, and closes at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21st. Aldermanic terms held by Scott Treece, James Jones, and Fred Baras will be expiring.

Alderman Broughton made a motion that Bill No. 829 be read for the first time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Jones. Upon a voice vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed unanimously. Bill No. 829 was read for the first time. Alderman Baras made a motion that Bill No. 829 be read for a second time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Broughton. Upon a voice vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed unanimously. Bill No. 829 was read for the second time. Alderman Monteleone made a motion that Bill No. 829 be enacted as an Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Farwig. Upon the roll being called the Board of Alderman voted as follows:

	AYE	NAY	ABSENT
Alderman Farwig	X		
Alderman Treece			X
Alderman Baras	X		
Alderman Broughton	X		
Alderman Monteleone	X		
Alderman Jones	X		

It was announced that Bill No. 829 becomes Ordinance No. 790.

5.2 Resolution No. 320 – A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for flooring replacement services for the Officer Blake C. Snyder Community Room.

Mayor Thuston stated the carpet squares were on the floor against the wall so all could see how it would look. The carpet will be installed as soon as possible. James Mello advised the price will be slightly less than what was shown since it included sales tax. Mayor Thuston advised he will deliver the signed contract tomorrow.

Alderman Baras made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 320 authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract for flooring replacement services for the Officer Blake C. Snyder Community Room with the corrected price. A second was made by Alderman Jones. Upon a voice vote, Resolution No. 320 was unanimously approved.

5.3 Opioid Class Action Lawsuit – Discussion on remaining in Class or opting out.

City Attorney Paul Rost advised the City should remain in the Class Action Lawsuit, otherwise the City would have to have something specific to attribute to the over-prescribing of opiates and then would have to bring a legal action at its own expense against all entities responsible for the damages. Green Park issues are handled by contract people and such as St. Louis County Police and so they are the ones dealing directly with any affects of the opioid crisis.

Alderman Baras made a motion that the City stay in the Class Action Lawsuit. A second was made by Alderman Monteleone. Upon a voice vote the motion passed unanimously.

5.4 FY2020 Budgeted Expenditure

James Mello stated the only real decision that has to be made is which road we undertake in 2020. There are several roads worthy of consideration, none of which stand out as a higher priority. Derrick Madej worked up cost estimates on three different roads to consider. Derrick's estimates are on the high side. Mr. Mello recommends doing South Towne Square, or at the very least, re-striping. A decision did not have to be made tonight, but it would be helpful in the budgeting process if he has Board direction as to which project is preferred. A general discussion ensued. Alderman Baras suggested that the City look into eliminating all of the center islands and advised the City Engineer to figure the cost with the center islands staying and the cost with elimination of the center islands.

James Mello also recommended a redesign of the City's website and make it more user friendly. It is becoming a real time waster in making any changes since a new editing feature was installed. Alderman Broughton agreed that the website needs to be more user friendly. Alderman Jones suggested that all computers be updated. Mr. Mello advised that is part of the plan for 2020 and wants to include more data security and networking ability. It will probably have to go out for bid.

6. Citizens Comments & Petitions

There were no citizen comments.

7. Miscellaneous

State Representative Doug Beck was in the audience and made a few comments.

James Mello brought attention to the new doors that are being installed as part of the pro-active building maintenance items to accomplish in 2019.

8. Adjournment

Alderman Broughton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Farwig. Upon a voice vote being taken, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:39 p.m.



Mayor Tim Thuston

Attest:



City Administrator / City Clerk

