



MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF GREEN PARK, MISSOURI
December 19, 2019

Mayor Thuston called the Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, December 19, 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		

*Matt Farwig arrived a few minutes late

REGULAR MEETING:

1. Reading and Approval of the Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of November 18, 2019.

A motion was made by Alderman Baras to approve the minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of November 18, 2019. There was a second by Alderman Jones. 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 discussed the deteriorated condition of the striping on Mueller Road. James Mello advised that it is Missouri American Water's responsibility to return the street to the same condition that existed prior to their construction work. However, the water company is not finished with their work on Mueller Road. There was discussion of other areas in the city that might need to be re-done.

Mayor Thuston also stated that since new carpeting has been installed in the Officer Blake C. Snyder Community Room, the City will be looking at replacing the furniture with new tables and chairs.

Mayor Thuston reported that the past Saturday was the Children's Holiday Party with Santa and remarked that the decorations looked wonderful and the event was well attended. He expressed his thanks to Diane DeLonjay.

Alderman Farwig suggested the City be involved with Great Rivers Greenway Operation Clean Stream. Volunteers work to clean up damage caused throughout the year by flooding, littering and dumping of trash along streams. Gravois Creek which runs along the trail in the Officer Blake C. Snyder Memorial Park is a prime location where Green Park residents can volunteer their services. Clean-up events are typically scheduled in March and September. The City Administrator requested that Alderman Farwig provide more information to City Hall so that an announcement can be included in the City's newsletter.

Alderman Jones commented on the great job done on the snow removal. He did not receive any calls from dissatisfied residents.

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 the last section of pavement was laid today. There are still lots of sidewalk to replace. The contractor will be doing clean-up and backfilling where needed.

3.4 City Administrator/City Clerk

James Mello advised the City held its annual "Light Up Green Park" decorating contest on Sunday. Winners will be notified and a list of the winners will be announced on the City's website as well as the next newsletter.

One of the volunteer judges, Ann Howard, stated that many home addresses were not visible or very difficult to read and was concerned that any first responders would have difficulty in finding the address in the case of an emergency.

3.5 Treasurer Report

The treasurer's report is in the packet.

3.6 County Police Report

P.O. Sanda Cosic presented the November Police Report which indicated there were 671 total calls for service of which 307 were directed calls and 364 were self-initiated calls. There were 30 reports written, 22 citations and 13 warnings issued, and a total of 3 arrests made.

4. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

5. New Business

5.1 Bill No. 830 – An Ordinance Approving a Signage Plan for 11108 South Towne Square.

Mayor Thuston advised there are no existing signs on this property. The applicant is seeking approval for one (1) conforming sign on the west elevation by the front entrance, and one (1) non-conforming sign on the east elevation at the rear of the building facing I-55. Per City Code only one wall sign is allowed. This ordinance would approve the second wall sign facing I-55. The applicant feels it is essential to directing customers to their location. Pro-Therm is an existing business and was previously allowed two (2) wall signs, but because of the signs' deteriorated condition, the signage was removed back in May of this year. The proposed signage is meant to replace their previous signage using a fresh design.

Alderman Broughton made a motion that Bill No. 830 be read for the first time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Farwig. Upon a voice vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed unanimously. Bill No. 830 was read for the first time. Alderman Monteleone made a motion that Bill No. 830 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. 830 was read for the second time. Alderman Monteleone made a motion that Bill No. 830 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. 830 becomes Ordinance No. 791.

5.2 Resolution No. 321 – A Resolution adopting an Annual Budget for the City of Green Park, Missouri for the Calendar Year ending December 31, 2020.

Alderman Monteleone made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 321. A second was made by Alderman Broughton. Upon a voice vote, Resolution No. 321 passed unanimously.

6. Citizens Comments & Petitions

There were no citizen comments.

7. Miscellaneous

Alderman Broughton stated he is in favor of paying off the mortgage in January and feels the City has substantial income to pay it off.

Alderman Jones made a motion to amend the 2020 Annual Budget to include the payoff of the mortgage. Alderman Broughton seconded the motion. Upon a voice vote being taken, the motion passed.

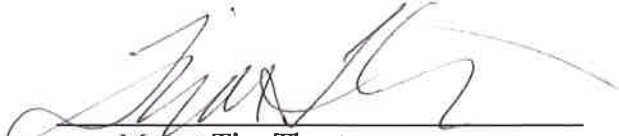
City Administrator James Mello stated he needs to review the City’s financial position before any payoff is done. He will have to look into any penalties the City might have to pay by cashing in on money markets or CD’s.

City Attorney, Paul Rost, also suggested the City reach out to the owner and advise her of our intention so she has the opportunity to see if she will incur tax consequences of this one-time big income hit. If she does, perhaps other arrangements can be made instead of paying off the promissory note in installments but with no additional interest charged.

8. Adjournment

Alderman Broughton made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Jones. Upon a voice vote being taken, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:22 p.m.

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Mayor Tim Thuston

Attest:



City Administrator / City Clerk

