

AMENDED MINUTES
October 23, 2007
Special Board Meeting

The special board meeting of the City of Weatherby Lake Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Alan York on Tuesday, October 23, 2007 at City Hall, 7200 N. W. Eastside Drive, Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri at 7:00 P.M.

Aldermen present were: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn.

Also present were: City Attorney John Reddoch and Twenty-four (24) members of the public.

UMB Bank-Purchase Card Presentation

John McLean of UMB bank came before the Board to make a presentation on the use of purchase cards for the City. He submitted a written handout for the Boards' use. He answered questions from the Board with regards to how to use the card, who would have use of the cards, procedures for lost or stolen cards, cost of using the cards (annual fees and monthly fees) and how would using the card save money for the City. He stated that the card or cards could be used like a credit card and that the Board had control as to who would have use of the card. If the card was stolen or lost that the City would need to report the lost or theft and the City would incur no liability towards purchases made during that time period. The purchase card set up with the UMB bank carries no annual fees or monthly fees for their use. Mr. McLean suggested that the use of the card would decrease the paper trail now used by the City's accounting functions. The Board thanked Mr. McLean for his presentation and time. Alderman Finn stated that Costco and Sam's Club does not accept purchasing cards.

Mayor's Communication to the Board:

Mayor Alan York entertained a motion to accept the appointments to various committees. Appointments and expiration of terms to committees/commissions are as follows:

Board of Zoning Adjustment-Mike McDermott (2012) and Mike Moratz (2011) and Alternate-Jim Ballinger (2012), Planning Commission-Bert Woods (2011), Don Dec (2011), Tom Henke (2011) and Jim Ballinger (2011), Park Board-Clarence Lowery (2010), Frank Barkowski (2010) and Lyle Phillips (2010) and Historical Archives Committee-Kristy Lawrence (2010), Jean Ellis (2010) and Marianne Ennett (2010).

Alderman Finn moved to accept the Mayor's appointments and second by Alderman Roberts. Discussion followed. Alderman White made several comments about why the committees or commissions did not have more women on them. She expressed a desire for the committees or commissions to have a more diverse make up. The Mayor responded that the various committee heads came before him with their recommendations for their committee make up. Alderman Hoy stated that the lack of public notice on these volunteer positions did not allow members of the community the opportunity to volunteer for these various positions. The terms for serving on the committees can vary. Animated discussion followed.

Yeas: Roberts and Finn Nays: Hoy and White Tie resulted. Mayor cast yea vote. Motion carried.

Mayor Alan York informed the Board that sewer rates will be increasing in the future. City of Kansas City has submitted plans with regards to sewer treatment with the Department of Natural Resources and EPA and is having to upgrade their infrastructure at a cost of approximately 2.4-3 Billion dollars with in the next 10-20 years. The problem Kansas City is encountering is infiltration of their sewer system by ground water from pipes that are compromised by tree roots and water coming in from drain tiles, gutters and sump pumps. The City is now reviewing their contract with the City of Kansas City as it pertains to sewer treatment. Alderman Hoy asked about the status of the City's sewer infrastructure? George Lowman responded that the pressurized sewer system is working well but unsure about the condition of the gravity lines serving the city.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Roberts move to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2007 regular board meeting and second by Alderman Finn. Discussion followed with Alderman White requesting the minutes be amended to correct typographical errors and the deletion of the last full sentence on page 2. Alderman Roberts amended his motion to included the aforementioned corrections and second by Alderman Finn.

Yeas: Roberts, Finn, White and Hoy. Motion carried.

Approval of Bill Payments

Alderman Hoy made a motion to approve bill payments totaling \$119,031.86 and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, Finn and White. Motion carried.

Reports:

Public Works:

George Lowman, Director of Public Works came forward with his written report to the Board members.

Additional information provided to the Board: A salt delivery of 140 ton was made to the City. The salt bin which has a capacity of 275 ton is now full. Additional deliveries will be made on an "as needed" basis. Alderman Hoy asked how much salt is used during a snow event and she was informed that between 75- 100 ton was used at those times. A sewer line break at 76th Terrace & Eastside Drive was repaired on Saturday. The Board was informed that Sonoma Ridge developers have until the end of the year to put together a proposal with regards to their financial situation. The dirt currently being deposited is to cover exposed rocks and build up the lots for sale.

Mayor Alan York brought forth a grant opportunity from DNR for the maintenance and upgrade of the City's water system. Mayor Alan York entertained a motion to approve \$42,000.00 from the water fund to pay for an engineering study as part of the preliminary work on a 50% matching grant application with DNR to repair and upgrade water lines in the City. Alderman Hoy moved and second by Alderman Roberts. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Police:

Chief Gary McMullin came forward with his written report to the Board members. He stated that he has had several inquiries about reported burglaries in the City

as published in the local newspapers. He stated that the information the paper publishes are how the calls were dispatched not the final disposition.

Chief McMullin came before the Board with a request to hire Donnie Hachman as a full time officer at a patrolman's salary of \$32,000.00 per year effective January 1, 2008. Alderman Hoy moved to accept the request and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Chief McMullin came forward with a request to hire Chris Skidmore as a part time officer at \$11.50 per hour to start working as soon as possible. Alderman Roberts moved to accept the request and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Chief McMullin came forward with a request to renew the police commissions for the police officers of Weatherby Lake, Lake Waukomis and Platte Woods. Alderman Finn moved to accept the request and second by Alderman Roberts. Chief McMullin stated that we have a reciprocal relationship to answer calls the Lake Waukomis and Platte Woods. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Chief McMullin came forward with a request the Board accept the resignation of Ken Ruhl, part time officer. Alderman White made a motion to accept the request and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Finance:

Board members were provided information on budget to actual as was as cash account balances for the period ending September 30, 2007.

Treasurer:

No information was provided at this time.

Court:

A written report was provided for the Board member's information.

Community Center:

A written report was provided for the Board member's information. Mayor Alan York informed the Board that the City has currently collected \$668.00 in rental fees for 2008. Included with the written report Ms. Payne submitted a 'wish list' for the community center. Alderman White asked how much money was available for improvements to the community center. She was informed that currently there is approximately \$9-10,000.00. Alderman White stated that she would like to gather information from the community as to what improvements to the community center they would like and she would report back to the Board with her findings.

Computer Administrator:

A written report was provided for the Board member's information.

Parks:

No information was provided at this time.

Planning Commission:

No information was provided at this time.

Historical Committee:

A written report was provided for the Board member's information.

WLIC:

Alderman Finn reported that the first phase of the seawall project in 'O' cove will begin November 1, 2007. She also stated that WLIC has come to an agreement with the owners of the 'beanfield' on the purchase price.

Ordinances and Consideration of Ordinances:

Alderman Roberts moved and second by Alderman Finn to pass on the first and place on the second Bill No. 1012. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Bill No. 1012, Ordinance No. 1011 an ordinance, amending Ordinance No. 934 the annual city budget for the fiscal year 2007. Alderman Hoy moved and second by Alderman White to pass Bill No. 1012 as Ordinance No. 1011. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Open Floor to Visitors:

Carol Regan stated that she would be willing to work with Alderman White in gathering information about improvements to the community center. She also stated that the telephone directory could provide advertizing for the community center. Glenda Negrelli stated that the land on Childress Ave is zoned multi-family and currently has two bids to build apartments. Bill and Carol Hornug asked if the City had a formal agreement with KCI about noise from airplanes and who to call about noise complaints. Mayor York stated that the City did not have a formal agreement with KCI but that he had put a call into the Regional Director's office with the FAA and he did provide the Hornugs with a phone number to register complaints but they stated it was the same number they had called.

Old Business:

No information at this time.

9:00 P.M. Board members take a break.

9:05 P.M. Board members return to session.

New Business:

No information at this time;

Tabled Items:

Alderman Roberts made a motion to remove from the table Bill No. 983, Ordinance No. 982 An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 267, Section 110.170 of the Code of the City of Weatherby Lake, regular meeting of the board. Yeas: Roberts, White, Hoy and Finn. Motion carried.

Alderman Robert moved and second by Alderman Finn to pass on the first and place on the second Bill No. 983. Discussion followed with Alderman Hoy amending Bill No. 983 to be effective May of 2008. Alderman Roberts moved to amend his motion

to be effective the 1st of May 2008 and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, White, Hoy and Finn. Motion carried.

Alderman Hoy moved and second by Alderman Roberts to pass Bill No. 983 as Ordinance No. 982, An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 267, Section 110.170 of the Code of the City of Weatherby Lake, regular meetings of the Board. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy and White Nays: Finn Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts made a motion to remove from the table Conduct of meetings/Robert's Rules and second by Alderman Finn. Yeas: Roberts, White, Hoy and Finn. Motion carried. Discussion followed with comments heard. Tim Vlamis stated that approximately 80% of most civic organizations use Robert's Rules as their guiding instrument to conduct meetings and did not see why the City could not use it also. Mike Moratz offered an opposing view stating that Robert's Rule could become restrictive and not allow for the free flow of comments currently in place. Alderman Roberts stated that he did not wish to use Robert's Rules, but would like to study the Conduct of Meetings packet provided further and would like to have a work session to discuss this issue further. John Reddoch, City Attorney asked that he be included in this work session. Alderman Roberts moved and second by Alderman White to table the Conduct of meeting document for a future working session as yet to be determined. Yeas: Roberts, White, Hoy and Finn. Motion carried.

Alderman Roberts moved and second by Alderman Hoy to remove from the table the community center rental agreement. Yeas: White, Hoy, Roberts and Finn. Motion carried. Discussion followed with Alderman Hoy bringing forth minor changes to the rate scale for rentals and making the changes effective January 1, 2008. Alderman Roberts move and second by Alderman Hoy to accept the changes made to the community center rental agreement with the effective date January 1, 2008. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, White and Finn. Motion carried.

Mayor Alan York asked the Board to consult with their calendars to see if they are available for a Budget work session on Friday, November 9, 2007 at 1:00 PM and get back with him to confirm that date or to schedule another date.

Adjournment:

Alderman Roberts moved and second by Alderman White to adjourn. Yeas: White, Hoy, Roberts and Finn. Motion carried.

9:40 PM adjourn.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Gwendolyn Cenac
Assistant City Clerk

