

MINUTES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MAY 17, 2005

The regular meeting of the Weatherby Lake Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Mike Henderson on Tuesday, May 17, 2005 at City Hall, 7200 NW Eastside Drive, Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri immediately following the public hearing at 7:07 P.M.

Aldermen present were: Clark, Moratz, Rittenhouse and Cummings.

Also present were four (4) members of the public.

7:08 P.M. Mayor Henderson steps out.

7:09 P.M. Mayor Henderson returns.

MINUTES:

Clark moved, second by Cummings to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2005 regular board meeting with three (3) typographical errors corrected. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to approving the minutes of the April 26, 2005 special board meeting as written. Yeas: Moratz, Rittenhouse, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cumming to approved the minutes of the May 3, 2005 special board meeting as written. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Cummings and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2005 special board meeting as written. Yeas: Cummings, Moratz, Clark and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION TO THE BOARD:

Mayor Henderson brought forward a letter from the Missouri Municipal League (MML) as well as a plaque, indicating the City's status as a "Distinguished Member" of the MML.

Mayor Henderson notes that he will have further information during the old and new business sections of the agenda.

REPORTS:

Public Works:

In the absence of George Lowman, Director of Public Works, Alderman Clark brings forward the written report submitted for board member's information.

Discussion turned to the capital expenditures prepared by Mr. Lowman at the direction of the board. These expenditures include all street overlays, connections of twenty-five houses to the new water line with a 4" line instead of the current 2" line, equipment replacement (trucks etc) as well as costs associated with maintaining the community center. Alderman Cummings notes that the cost of street overlays citywide needs to be brought to the public's

attention. Financing such a large expense (1.2 million over the next ten years) will necessitate alternative funding measures i.e. bonds etc.

Alderman Moratz would like to see storage lot revenues set aside for restricted use to offset costs associated with maintaining/up-grade the area.

Finance:

A spreadsheet was provided to board members indicating the various cash account balances for the period ending April 30, 2005.

Police:

Chief Gary McMullin came forward to give his report to board members. Discussion turned to various items including the reoccurring issue of rooms/areas being rented out of private residences. This practice brings up a series of issues including "residency", lake access etc. More information will be brought forward at a later date.

Officers are scheduled for the weekend clean up (May 20, 21 & 22), they will verify residency and take responsibility for collecting the appropriate fees for each vehicle.

Treasurer:

A written report was not available at this time. Mr. Rob Jones (RC Jones & Associates) the new treasurer will bring forward information at the next regular board meeting.

City Clerk:

Written information was provided to board members. A total of four (4) CD's are maturing prior to the next regular board meeting. Two (2) of the four have previously been voted on the cash for litigation expenses and the emergency sewer break on Westside Drive. The remaining two (2) need to be addressed. Clark moved, second by Rittenhouse to re-invest each of the CD's (\$98,962.42 and \$65,731.93 restricted water/sewer funds) for a period of one (1) year at the best rate possible. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Rittenhouse and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Previously requested bids for electronic door locks/releases were submitted for consideration. Cummings moved, second by Rittenhouse to accept the bid of Kenton Brothers in the amount of \$625.80. Yeas: Clark, Moratz, Cummings, and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Court:

A written report was submitted for board member's information. Board members noted they would like additional information and clarification on certain dates indicated with-in the report.

Community Center:

A status report indicating usage and revenues was submitted for board member's information.

Computer Administrator:

Information was brought forward in the absence of Brandon Dale (KC Tech Solutions) information is given to board members by Alderman Cummings regarding the current issues pertaining to the server. At this time there is approximately 20% of available free space, which is a critical point. Mayor Henderson notes, that Mr. Dale may be attending later in the meeting.

Fire District:

The issue of the fire protection district utilizing the City's federal tax identification number was discussed. A letter to cease the practice will be generated to the fire district board president Mr. Jay Fitch.

Parks:

A written report to submitted for board members information.

Historical:

Alderman Clark came forward to give the historical committee's status report regarding the Anders/Jack Cemetery project.

Clark moved, second by Moratz to process the "Agreement" type of hold harmless form as submitted by Mr. Witt. Yeas: Cummings, Rittenhouse, Clark and Moratz. Motion passed unanimously.

Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to accept the bid of Kaw-Valley Survey in an amount not to exceed \$2295.00 to survey the cemetery property. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Clark and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cumming to accept the bid of Ziet in an amount not to exceed \$600.00 for gravestone restoration (the stones will be removed from the property and returned). Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to have signers for the project to include Ms. Marge Stockwell (from the committee) and Steve Clark (from the City). Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Cummings and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, Moratz moved, second by Cummings to accept the master budget plan as submitted. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Clark, Moratz and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

WLIC:

Alderman Rittenhouse came forward to give board members information from the WLIC meetings. The purchase offer from Heritage for the Peret property has been declined. Concerns were raised regarding the continued run-off.

Alderman Rittenhouse notes that Mayor Henderson had approached the WLIC regarding closing access across the dam for a party/concert to be held in September. Further the dam will close for the annual fireworks display on the 4th.

The possibility of a dredging assessment has been discussed.

8:30 P.M. board members take a break.

8:35 P.M. board members return to session.

ORDINANCES AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES:

Clark moved, second by Cummings to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 761. Yeas: Moratz, Rittenhouse, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 761, an ordinance appropriating and authorizing payment of General funds of the City of Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri. Clark moved, second by Rittenhouse to pass Bill NO. 76 1 as Ordinance NO. 760 in the amount of \$9,164.33. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Clark and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Rittenhouse moved, second by Moratz to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 762. Yeas: Clark, Cummings, Rittenhouse and Moratz. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 762, an ordinance appropriating and authorizing payment of Road and Street funds of the City of Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri. Rittenhouse moved, second by Moratz to pass Bill NO. 762 as Ordinance NO. 761 in the amount of \$5,024.60. Yeas: Cummings, Clark, Moratz and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 763. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 763, an ordinance appropriating and authorizing payment of Water and Sewer funds of the City of Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri. Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to pass Bill NO. 763 as Ordinance NO. 762 in the amount of \$13,993.12. Yeas: Cummings, Moratz, Rittenhouse and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Cummings moved, second by Clark to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 764. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 764, an ordinance appropriating and authorizing payment of Capital Improvement funds of the City of Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri. Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to passed Bill NO. 764 as Ordinance NO. 763 in the amount of \$21,025.31. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Clark and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Moratz moved, second by Rittenhouse to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 765. Yeas: Clark, Cummings, Rittenhouse and Moratz. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 765, an ordinance amending the water rate for in-city and out-of-city customers ratifying the charging of a late fee. Discussion followed with regard to the total 10% increase breaking down as 9.2% increase from the City of Kansas City, Missouri with .08% kept by Weatherby Lake for contingencies/maintenance. Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to pass Bill NO. 765 as Ordinance NO. 764. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Clark and Rittenhouse. Motion passed unanimously.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 766. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 766, an ordinance amending Ordinance NO. 727 the City budget for fiscal year 2005. Clark moved, second by Rittenhouse to pass Bill NO. 766 as Ordinance NO. 765. Yeas: Moratz, Cummings, Rittenhouse and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Cummings moved, second by Clark to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 767. Yeas: Moratz, Rittenhouse, Cummings and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 767, an ordinance appropriating and authorizing payment of Fireworks funds of the City of Weatherby Lake, Platte County, Missouri. Cummings moved, second by Clark to pass Bill NO. 767 as Ordinance NO. 766 in the amount of \$78.84. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Floor to Visitors:

Ms. Torkelson came forward to express her concern regarding the “sharp” curve on Westside Drive. Ms. Torkelson feels that this is a safety concern increased by the soft shoulder. Discussion followed with the notation that installation of signage might address part of the problem.

Old Business:

Alderman Rittenhouse notes that included in the cash account spreadsheet, for the first time is pooled cash total shown. The remaining item will be to separate the pool into the general, road and street, water/sewer funds.

Alderman Rittenhouse also questions the status of employee bonding. No additional action has been taken to date.

Alderman Rittenhouse expressed her concern on the status of the issues of the eastside pump station (KCMO/Mayor Barnes) and the exploration of a remedy for deliberate code violations currently not included in the City’s codebook, and Mr. Culley’s failure to provide detail information/work papers to the new city auditors.

Rittenhouse moved, second by Cummings to accept the bid from KC Tech Solutions (Brandon Dale) in an amount not to exceed \$9,200.00 to provide hardware and installation of a new computer server for the City. Discussion followed with Alderman Moratz expressing his concern that due diligence had not been performed when seeking comparison bids. Yeas: Cummings and Rittenhouse. Nays: Moratz and Clark. Mayor Henderson casts the tie-breaking vote of yea. Motion passed.

9:45 P.M. Cummings steps out.

New Business:

9:46 P.M. Cummings returns.

Mayor Henderson notes that the nuisance section of the City's codebook needs to be re-examined. Alderman Moratz as well as Chief McMullin will assist Mayor Henderson in the review/implementation process.

Mayor Henderson indicates that he is interested in the City having a summer concert series implemented. Given the short notice this year, the likely date is September 2005. This will be held at the dam with the approval of the WLIC and will generate no cost to the City.

Mayor Henderson would further like to explore the issue of "home based business licenses"; Platte City has a very good definition outlined in their City code at a rate of approximately \$35.00 per year. Alderman Rittenhouse agrees to assist Mayor Henderson review information gathered.

The dedication of the Korean War Memorial of Weatherby Lake is scheduled for June 11, 2005 at Birmingham Park. More details will follow.

Mayor Henderson would further like to explore the possibility of raising the fees for city stickers and animal licenses. These fees have not been addressed in many years.

Information has been received from MARC regarding their solid waste disposal facilities. Rittenhouse moved, second by Clark to continue membership with MARC Solid Waste Management at a rate of \$1,484.41 annually. Yeas: Cummings, Moratz, Rittenhouse and Clark. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Moratz reports that Mike Shelton has expressed his interest in managing the City web site as web-master.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to go into closed session pursuant to RSMO 610.021 (1 & 3). Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings.

10 P.M. closed session.

10:32 P.M. return to open session.

Rittenhouse moved, second by Moratz to take Bob Eckerle off payroll. Yeas: Clark, Cummings and Rittenhouse. Nays: Moratz. Motion passed.

Clark moved, second by Cummings to adjourn. Yeas: Rittenhouse, Moratz, Clark and Cummings. Motion passed unanimously.

10:35 P.M. adjourn.

Mike Moratz
Board President/Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:
Juretta Goode/City Clerk

