

MINUTES
May 15, 2007
Regular Board Meeting

The regular board meeting of the City of Weatherby Lake Board of Aldermen was called to order by Mayor Alan York, on Tuesday, May 15, 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 thirteen (13) members of the public.

Mayor's Communication to the Board:

Mayor York, presented representatives of KCP&L, who were present to provide information regarding the installation of under-ground power, to those present.

Ms. Pam Cook stepped forward to introduce members of her department to those present.

Information provided to the public included the approximate cost of \$180,000.00 per mile for the existing over-head power route, versus roughly triple the cost per mile for the installation of an under-ground power route, plus the cost to run power from the easement to the residence is approximately \$750.00 (to be paid by the customer).

Additional issues include, but are not limited to, right-of-way procurement, design costs, funding of the project etc. Discussion from the floor included questions relating the cost of the installation of under-ground power for Sonoma Ridge (which is owned by a private company and not open information), the possibility of grants or bond issues to off-set the costs, the City's ability to acquire right-of-ways/easement from owners, the impact of topography (up-charges for rock, curves, hills etc), as well as how damage to driveways would be addressed.

After discussion, Hoy moved, second by Roberts to request a "free" estimate from KCP&L for underground power. Yeas: White, Roberts and Hoy. Nay: Finn. Motion passed.

Mayor York expressed the Board's appreciation to the KCP&L staff for their time and efforts for the City of Weatherby Lake.

Mayor York continued with his information to the board, which included a status report of the Mayor' Council adopting a division from Ft. Riley, and will be providing information to the community on what items are needed.

Information available after recent meetings regarding the Barry Road project by Kansas City, Missouri is more extensive than had previously been understood. Project drawings are now available for public review at City Hall.

Mayor York notes that the annual fireworks display is under contract. Alderman Finn indicates that she is willing to continue her efforts regarding donations and is willing is step aside if any other board member is interested. Discussion followed, with Alderman Finn ultimately continuing as Chair.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Roberts moved, second by White to place the overview of the public hearing held April 17th on the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: Finn, Hoy, White and Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

Finn moved, second by Roberts to place the minutes of the April 17th regular board meeting on the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: White, Roberts, Hoy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Roberts moved, second by Finn to place Bill NO. 984, Ordinance NO. 983, payment of General Funds in the amount of \$12,409.88 on the consent agenda. Yeas: Hoy, White, Roberts and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Hoy moved, second by Finn to place Bill NO. 985, Ordinance NO. 984 payment of Road & Street Funds in the amount of \$15,930.10 on the consent agenda. Yeas: Roberts, White, Hoy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

White moved, second by Finn to place Bill NO. 986, Ordinance NO. 985 payment of Water Funds in the amount of \$19,228.07 on the consent agenda. Yeas: Hoy, Roberts, Finn and White. Motion passed unanimously.

White moved, second by Finn to place Bill NO. 987, Ordinance NO. 986 payment of Sewer Funds in the amount of \$10,475.83 on the consent agenda. Yeas: Roberts, Hoy, Finn and White. Motion passed unanimously.

Roberts moved, second by White to place Bill NO. 988, Ordinance NO. 987 payment of Historical Funds in the amount of \$480.37 on the consent agenda. Yeas: Finn, Hoy, Roberts and White. Motion passed unanimously.

Hoy moved, second by Finn to place Bill NO. 989, Ordinance NO. 988 payment of Parks Funds in the amount of \$2,853.68 on the consent agenda. Yeas: White, Roberts, Foy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

White moved, second by Roberts to pass/approve the consent agenda as presented. Yeas: Hoy, Finn, Roberts and White. Motion passed unanimously.

REPORTS:

Public Works:

George Lowman, Director of Public Works came forward with his written report for board member's information.

Discussion turned to the issue of erosion control, Alderman Finn indicated that she has rode through the City with Mr. Lowman looking at potential problem areas.

The roofs on City Hall and the Community center are complete.

Alderman Hoy notes that there is standing water at her residence and questions, if the area will be addressed/re-dug prior to the street work beginning.

Finance:

Board member's review the written information provided, included were budget to actual and cash account balances.

Hoy moved; second by Finn to roll the water/sewer emergency fund CD (maturing on 6/5/07) in the amount of \$70,174.43 at the best rate for a period of nine (9) to twelve (12) months. Yeas: White, Roberts, Hoy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Roberts moved, second by Finn to roll \$14,000.00 of the \$16,000.00 fireworks CD (maturing on 5/24/07) at the best rate for a period of nine (9) to twelve (12) months. Yeas: White, Hoy, Finn and Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

Police:

Chief McMullin came forward with his written report for board member's information.

From the floor Ms. Glenda Negrelli questions the status of the easement/parking of a trailer at the cemetery. Additional information is being sought relating to the survey lot lines.

Court:

Board member's note the written information provided.

Discussion turned to the number of amended tickets per court session.

Community Center:

Alderman Hoy notes the more detailed report provided for this period.

Alderman Hoy would also like to see these types of reports appear on the City's web-site.

Computer Administrator:

Board member's note the written information provided.

Discussion followed regarding accessibility of e-mail accounts by the aldermen.

Parks:

Written information was provided to board members.

Planning:

No information was provided at this time.

Historical:

Limited information was provided, via a written report. As previously noted during the police report, questions exist relating to the plat lines at the cemetery.

WLIC:

No information was available at this time.

Ordinances and Consideration of Ordinances:

Finn moved, second by Hoy to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 982. Yeas: White, Roberts, Hoy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 982, Ordinance NO. 981, an ordinance amending Ordinance NO. 942, the water rates for in-city and out-of-city/non-residential customers, ratifying the charging of a late fee and providing for the increase of bi-monthly water rates. Finn moved, second by Roberts to pass Bill NO. 982 as Ordinance NO. 981. Yeas: Hoy, White, Roberts and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Both Alderman Roberts and Hoy express their scheduling conflicts relating to changing the dates of the regular board meeting from the third Tuesday to the first Tuesday. Each suggests that this issue could be reconsidered for implementation in 2008. After discussion, Roberts moved, second by Finn to table Bill NO. 983. Bill NO. 983, an ordinance amending Ordinance NO. 267, Section 110.170 of the Code of the City of Weatherby Lake, Regular Meetings of the Board. Yeas: Hoy, White, Finn and Roberts. Motion passed unanimously.

Finn moved, second by Hoy to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 990. Yeas: White, Roberts, Finn and Hoy. Motion passed unanimously. Discussion followed with information provided regarding the specific streets included: 75th Street, 75th Terrace west of Kerns 76th Street from the west to the south of 10512 W 76th St., Westside Drive, patching, milling and paving. Not included is striping.

Bill NO. 990, Ordinance NO. 989, an ordinance approving the contract with Seal-O-Matic Paving Company for the purposes of asphalt and road improvement. Finn moved, second by Hoy to pass Bill NO. 990 as Ordinance NO. 989 in the amount of \$240,471.00 (plus (+) or minus (-) any change orders up to \$12,023.55). Yeas: Roberts, White, Finn and Hoy. Motion passed unanimously.

Hoy moved, second by Finn to pass on the first and place on the second Bill NO. 991. Yeas: White, Roberts, Hoy and Finn. Motion passed unanimously.

Bill NO. 991, an ordinance approving the contract with Joe Machens Ford Inc. D/B/A Joe Machens Ford Lincoln Mercury for the purposes of the purchase of a 2008 Ford 4-door Crown Victoria Police Interceptor. Hoy moved, second by Roberts to pass Bill NO. 991 as Ordinance NO. 990. Yeas: Finn, White, Roberts and Hoy. Motion passed unanimously.

Open Floor to Visitors:

Mr. Verlin Boes came forward with questions regarding home-based businesses in the City of Weatherby Lake. Mr. Boes indicates that he has a home-based business and would like to follow the regulations for such in the City. Information was provided to Mr. Boes regarding the process for obtaining a “permit”, which includes go through the planning commission application process which has costs involved.

Old Business:

Mayor York indicates that there has been no movement on the purchasing policy revisions.

New Business:

Alderman Hoy came forward to out-line items that she feels need to be reviewed, considered and or amended. These include placing department reports on the web-page, providing additional information to residents and re-wording (provided an option) the current past-due notices utilized for water/sewer billings. After discussion, Hoy moved, second by Roberts to re-word the past-due notices utilizing the information provided for water/sewer billings. Yeas: White, Finn, Roberts and Hoy. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman White stepped forward to express her concerns regarding the hours of operation for City Hall (administration). Alderman White would like to see an assessment of the work loads for consideration of extending hours open to the public. Discussion followed with Mayor York indicating that the reduction was originally done as a budget cutting issue, and is looking into extending hours to include one evening and possibly Saturday mornings. Mr. John Bugg spoke from the floor about the inconvenience of obtaining the key to the storage area when City Hall is closed. Mayor York may take the issue under consideration for budget year 2008.

Alderman Hoy brings forward the issue of long-range planning. She would like to see a mixture of board members and residents make up a committee to begin the process of planning. Discussion followed, with it being noted, that this is not currently a recognized committee (the city code would need to be amended), there would be concerns regarding Sunshine laws, etc.

Hoy moved, second by Finn to go into closed session pursuant to RSMO 610.021 (1 – 2 & 12). Yeas: Roberts, White, Finn and Hoy. Motion passed unanimously.

9:02 P.M. closed session.

9:37 P.M. return to open session.

Hoy moved, second by White to adjourn. Yeas: Roberts, Finn, Hoy and White.
Motion passed unanimously.
9:38 P.M. adjourn.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk