

**MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:37 PM on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at the Fremont Hills Country Club, 1953 Fremont Hills Drive, Nixa, MO; this was immediately following the presentation of information for residents on a proposed city hall.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL. Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer called the roll—a quorum was present.

Luke Davis, Mayor	Present		
Ann Littell Mills, Alderman Ward 1	Present	Kevin Jansen, Alderman Ward 1	Present
Bud Addington, Alderman Ward 2	Present	Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2	Present
Alisa Lowry, Alderman Ward 3	Present	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Present

Guests: Heather Davis, Bill and Valerie Stadnik, Harry and Anita Blow, Leslie Robinson, Jan Strange, Ruth Benedett and Cal and Marguerite Griggs.

City Officials Present: Matt Growcock, City Attorney, Scott Christensen, Project Manager and Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer.

OPEN FLOOR TO VISITORS*. Matt Growcock commented that Luke Davis did a fantastic job on the presentation of information to residents tonight on the proposed city hall—true leadership.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of October 20, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve the October 20, 2016 regular meeting minutes as written was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was approved—Kevin Jansen and Bud Addington abstained as they were not in attendance at the October meeting.

Resolution #197-2016 Amending 2016 Budget. Jeanette Curtiss presented recommended changes to income and expense portions of the budget. A motion to approve Resolution #197-2016, amending the 2016 budget was made by Kerry Nelson, with Kevin Jansen seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of Treasurers Report and Expenses To Be Paid. Jeanette Curtiss presented the Treasurer’s Report and expenses to be paid from the general fund of \$24,101.39 and sewer fund of \$16,729.49. The previously approved budget amendments were not included in these reports. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and expenses to be paid was made by Alisa Lowry, with Ann Littell Mills seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning and Zoning. Scott Christensen reported that there was not a P & Z or Design Review Committee meeting. We currently have about 13 houses in various stages of construction throughout the city.

Sewer. Scott Christensen reported there is a buried manhole on Shinnecock Drive (south end)—it was discovered by MGE. We probably have about 10 manholes that have been buried in the final grading

process when homes were built, and we will monitor them. The plant is running fine—we had a security light that needed repaired.

Beautification.

Holiday Lighting. The board discussed likes/dislikes of prior year's decorations. A motion to authorize \$1,000 for Christmas lights (using the vendor's lights) was made by Ann Littell Mills—there was no second to the motion. Randy West made a motion to use Scapes to install our lights and spend an additional \$500 for Christmas lighting and decorations—Kevin Jansen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Streets

Transportation Prioritization Meeting. Scott Christensen attended the recent SMOG Transportation meeting--2014 was the last time they prepared a priority listing—reprioritized list was handed out to the Board of Aldermen. The top priority was route 160 at Route EE. This was not the right forum to present Fremont Road and the curve at the church—they were going to submit our concerns to the appropriate government authority.

Stormwater On Interlochen Drive. Scott Christensen reported this area is the Merion and Interlochen intersection. Shaffer and Hines looked at the area and feel the current pipe is not sufficient enough to handle a 100 year flood. All the options they presented were based on an 8.5 inch rain. There is not a broader stormwater study of the entire city in our records—we could probably address 5 to 10 more areas. Scott Christensen could meet with Shaffer and Hines to prepare an overall strategic plan for stormwater runoff for the entire city. A motion to authorize Scott Christensen to meet with Shaffer and Hines to prepare an estimate of costs for a citywide drainage engineering study, and a timeline, was made by Kevin Jansen, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The Cassidy spillway at the detention ponds needs attention. Scapes will grade the area and put in a couple loads of large rock (\$500 estimate). Scott Christensen placed asphalt on both ends of the bridge to make the bump less severe. Scapes will trim trees on east side of pond so they look more like trees.

Speed Bumps/Drainage Issue Winged Foot/Scioto. Scott Christensen reported that this area could be a part of the stormwater study. Matt Growcock's research found speed bumps can be installed on city streets—speed bumps typically are installed to control traffic.

City Hall Plan Update—Luke Davis recommended to the Board that they have the committee revisit the project--explore all other options and bring those options back to the Board (short-term and long-term solutions). No vote on whether to proceed with the project as designed was taken.

OLD BUSINESS

Natural Gas Installation—Progress Report. Scott Christensen reported they are finishing service lines on the west side of the city and will then begin digging by the club, catching Congressional Circle/Interlochen/Canterbury and then go up Oakmont. A sod agreement has been signed with Scapes, and they hope to start placing sod the first week of December.

Zip Code. Ann Littell Mills reported we are still waiting on a determination from the USPS on using Fremont Hills in our mailing address.

New City Logo. Alisa Lowry reported we are still revising the RFP--when completed will send back to committee for comment and then get bids—would like to have bids back by next meeting or January.

2017 Budget Draft. After general discussion, it was decided to make stormwater a separate line item in the budget for 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

30 Year Anniversary Celebration. The city will observe their 30 year anniversary in January of 2017—Ann Littell Mills volunteered to lead a subcommittee for planning—Jeanette Curtiss will check with the club for available dates and check the legislative session calendar for those special guests we would want to invite (we will report back in December). Bud Addington made a motion to authorize expenses of up to \$2,500 for the celebration—Ann Littell Mills seconded the motion. The motion was approved—Kevin Jansen voted nay.

Annual Work Comp Audit. Jeanette Curtiss reported the documentation for our annual work comp desk audit was submitted—we only had one vendor without work comp that will be added to our coverage (an office function vendor so the increase should not be great).

Declaration of Candidacy. Jeanette Curtiss reported the first date to declare candidacy for the April 4, 2017 election is Tuesday, December 13 and closing on Tuesday, January 17. The ad will be placed in the December 7 publication of the Headliner. Terms of office that are expiring are: Kevin Jansen/Ward 1, Kerry Nelson/Ward 2 and Randy West/Ward 3—these aldermen can declare their candidacy.

Fremont Hills Lifestyle Magazine. Ann Littell Mills asked about the publication—some of the Board saw the publication which just came out but weren't aware it was being published.

ADJOURNMENT. A motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Jansen, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 9:11PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer