

**MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:00 PM on Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Fremont Hills Country Club, 1953 Fremont Hills Drive, Nixa, MO.

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	Absent
Alisa Lowry, Alderman Ward 3	Present	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Present

Guests: Residents, John Wagaman, Ruth Benedett, Bernie Tellez, and Leslie Robinson.

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

OPEN FLOOR TO VISITORS. John Wagaman wants to learn about the stormwater drainage plan. Bernie Tellez wanted to make the Board aware that he has office space for rent—2,500 sf upstairs and 500 sf downstairs—it’s in his former office building just off CC Hwy. by Rapid Roberts.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval Of January 19, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes. A motion to approve the January 19, 2017 regular meeting minutes as written was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Alisa Lowry seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved—Kevin Jansen was not present in the meeting at the time of this vote.

Approval Of Treasurers Report And Expenses To Be Paid. Jeanette Curtiss presented the Treasurer’s Report and expenses to be paid of \$18,398.19 from the general fund, \$21,174.49 from the sewer fund and \$30,450 from the general obligation bond debt fund (this represents the final principal and interest payment on this bond—there will be a pro-rated administrative fee that will be billed as of the bond payment date). The payoff of this bond will reduce residents’ tax levy for the 2017 tax year. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and expenses to be paid was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved—Kevin Jansen was not present in the meeting at the time of this vote.

Approval Of The Six-Month Financial Report. The Board was given a copy of this report for review prior to the meeting. A motion to publish the six-month financial report ending December 31, 2016 as presented was made by Randy West, with Bud Addington seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved—Kevin Jansen was not present in the meeting at the time of this vote.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning and Zoning. Scott Christensen reported that the Design Review Committee just looked at plans for two new homes on Rolling Hills Drive (one of the plans was not approved as it needed more detail/information). Ted Papit would like to possibly look at the ordinance of approved exterior building

materials—recently there have been requests for use of hardie board (hardie board above the roofline as an accent has been approved by the Design Review Committee).

Sewer. Scott Christensen reported that there is an electric line to a pump that is acting up—we will need an electrician to pull a new wire to the pump for it to work properly. Effluent test results are good.

Beautification. Scott Christensen reported that Scapes removed the worn light pole banners. Scott was asked to have the Christmas lights taken down at the guard house—all other Christmas lights have been removed.

Streets. Scott Christensen reported that phase three of the street resurfacing plan will be approximately 1 mile—the cul de sacs will take a lot of time to pave due to moving equipment. If the project is put out for bid now, it could possibly be scheduled around the end of May. Canterbury was added to the last part of the project (300 ft.). A motion to put out for bid phase three of the street resurfacing project was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Bud Addington seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved—Kevin Jansen was not in the meeting at the time of this vote.

Stormwater Master Plan. A few drainage issues could possibly be addressed with the street resurfacing project—Colonial Circle, Scioto triangle and Rolling Hills/Southern Hills. We budgeted \$25,000 for stormwater improvements this year. The Merion/Interlochen improvement would be one of the larger projects. John Wagaman offered to meet with the engineer on the Scioto triangle plan—Scott Christensen reported that a catch drain in the street/end of driveway was in the plan for this area. The Board was asked to study the plan in more detail and discuss at the March meeting. The Board also decided to form a committee to come up with a 3 year plan for stormwater improvement—volunteers for that committee are Ann Littell Mills, Randy West, Bud Addington and Scott Christensen.

City Hall Plan Update. Luke Davis reported that the city hall committee met in January, and the direction was to continue discussions with the Club as our primary focus on city hall options. Short-term, the Club might consider making space for a city office in the space where we currently hold our board meetings—the meeting space would continue in the same area. Luke Davis will check with Jay Wasson to see if anything has changed on the commercial lots (there has been a recent inquiry about building on one of the lots). The Board needs to give the committee direction as to the long-term option (lease or buy). The Tellez space is a good option, but the club is the only option that keeps us in the city. For the long-term, the Fremont Hills Country Club may want a long-term lease on a new structure (they next meet on the second Monday of March).

OLD BUSINESS

Natural Gas Installation—Progress Report. Scott Christensen reported that the Oakmont/Interlochen loop is now “hot”, and the crews are working down Pasatiempo (the 12th and 14th additions will be the last areas for installation). Scapes is putting topsoil on the areas disturbed from the boring/digging and are now laying sod.

New City Logo. Alisa Lowry reported that information was sent out today to the committee on a revised proposal and RFP. The plan is to request information back by the end of March and roll out the new logo sometime in May.

Update on Christian County Business Development Corp. Luke Davis reported that he and Randy West attended a meeting to update members on the status of the CCBDC—they are waiting on tax exempt status. A part of the marketing program was to prepare maps for the county—the Board each received a copy of the map and it was decided to share a supply of them with the country club and Southern Bank. CCBDC is forming an executive board and hiring a director for the program.

Anniversary Reception Followup. Luke Davis thanked Ann Littell Mills, Heather Davis and Jeanette Curtiss for working on the reception. The Club did a great job with the catering, and it was very well attended by the residents (a full house).

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Census. Jeanette Curtiss reported that we are starting to get information on the 2020 census. It will be interesting to see how our population has grown since 2010—some funding sources from various state/federal entities is based on population.

Neighborhood Garage Sale. Luke Davis reported that the annual neighborhood garage sale is typically the last Saturday in April. The Board discussed the sale, and in particular security/fees/advertising. It was decided the City should pay for the security (reallocate the officers' regular monthly schedule to that day—much like we do for Halloween), not collecting any fees for the sale (last year more fees were collected door-to-door the day of the sale than in advance), and advertising on the website/signs at the entrances/online media (no newspaper advertising--if residents want to run their own ads, that would be their option).

Kevin Jansen entered the meeting at this time.

Springfield Lifestyle Magazine. Luke Davis reported that another magazine, *Springfield Lifestyle Magazine*, wants the City to submit articles for their publication (they seem to primarily be a golf course community magazine). The *Fremont Hills Lifestyle Magazine* is currently being sent to the residents of Fremont Hills—it isn't an official city publication (we've been asked to submit articles for the publication). It was decided to ask Jennifer White to attend our next meeting to discuss the focus of the publication.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Randy West, with Kevin Jansen seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer