

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 16, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular, semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:00 PM on Thursday, July 16, 2020 at the Fremont Hills Country Club, 1953 Fremont Hills Drive, Fremont Hills, 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		
Damon Mills, Alderman Ward 1	Present	Sean O’Connell, Alderman Ward 1	Present
Talyia Leeper, Alderwoman Ward 2	Present	Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2	Present
Alisa Lowry, Alderwoman Ward 3	Present	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Present

Guests: Laura and Roger Umphenour

City Officials: Jordan Needham/Communications, Dale Batson/Project Manager, Matt Growcock/City Attorney and Jeanette Curtiss/City Clerk/Finance Officer.

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There were no comments to come before the Board.

AGENDA

Approval Of June 18, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)

A motion to approve the June 18, 2020 regular meeting minutes was made by Alisa Lowry, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval Of July 2, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)

A motion to approve the July 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes was made by Sean O’Connell, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion. The motion was approved, with Lowry and West abstaining as they were absent from the meeting.

Approval Of Treasurer’s Report And Expenses To Be Paid (Curtiss)

A motion to approve the treasurer’s report and expenses to be paid was made by Sean O’Connell, with Talyia Leeper seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval Of Six-Month Financial Report (Curtiss)

A motion to approve the six-month financial report was made by Kerry Nelson, with Damon Mills seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The report will be published in the Headliner and posted to the website.

Resolution #231-2020 Authorizing Depository Signers (Curtiss)

This resolution is to replace Ann Littell Mills as a depository signer, with Alisa Lowry—Davis and West will remain as signers. A motion to approve Resolution #231-2020 was made by Talyia Leeper, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion.

OLD BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update (Davis)

A recent update from the Christian County Health Department was made a part of the board packet. A group designated as policy and decision makers (all mayors and administrators for Ozark and Nixa) met to discuss topic (County wants unity). Tomorrow there will be a press release and a big marketing push to encourage people to wear masks. Volunteers are helping assist with contact investigations for the Health Department. We anticipate supporting the decisions of the County.

Security Cameras (Davis)

After researching, Netwatch has found an anti-glare option for the camera setup. As of yesterday it had not been replaced.

Cassidy Addition Ponds (Batson)

The James River Basin Partnership and the Conservation Department shared methods to rid the ponds of the algae and primrose. The algae could be toxic, so we may need to test it—the primrose is a nuisance plant but great for fish habitat. There are times when no water is in the basins, so fountains or aerators won't work.

Scioto Drive/Winged Foot Stormwater Improvement Project (Batson)

There have been changes to the plans--should have a biddable set tomorrow. We will acquire an easement from the new residents at 1911 Winged Foot Drive. The project could start in the next month and a half.

Fremont Hills Drive Stormwater Improvement Project (Batson)

K & B gave us a preliminary bid for this project, which was made a part of the board packet. We need to back up an additional 6' for the apron. \$26,800 if we clean the culvert and it clears the pipe--\$32,400 if the culvert cleaning fails. We are going to jet the culvert at a cost of \$1,200 (we don't want to replace the culvert). This plan will break the stormwater in 2 different directions. If approved, K & B can start July 27—we will have to shut down traffic on Fremont Hills Drive. It was recommended we consider replacement of the culvert if found necessary—Batson reported we should see how it cleans up—would be a judgment call while on site. It would be \$31,200 to replace without jetting. A motion to accept the K & B bid and make the culvert decision on site was made by Sean O'Connell, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Dog Ordinance (Nelson)

Our current dog ordinance was made a part of the board packet. A recent incident prompted the review of our ordinance. After review and discussion, the Board felt our current ordinance was adequate when referring to dog “control”.

No Mow Zones (Nelson)

We’ve received a resident complaint regarding a particular “no mow” zone on the course. There are actually a couple “no mow” zones around the golf course. The grass height ordinance excludes agricultural property. The club is zoned agricultural; therefore, not subject to this particular ordinance.

Blue Street Reflectors Marking Fire Hydrants (Nelson)

Some of the blue street/curb reflectors denoting fire hydrant locations need to be replaced or something else used. Some cities use reflective hydrant tags. Batson will get with the fire department to see their preference.

Builder Jobsite Cleanliness (Nelson)

The current builder’s job-site responsibilities checklist was made a part of the board packet. The Board discussed the current issues on jobsites and the need to hold builders more accountable—give notice of violation with 48 hours to clean up. May also need to make the homeowner aware of issues for custom homes and they also get a copy of the jobsite responsibilities. We may keep the deposit at \$2,000 and if depleted, then will stop the project. Nelson will present a revised copy of the responsibilities at the next meeting.

WWTP UV Ballast Box Replacement (Batson)

The plant is currently operational at 100%, but one bank of UV lights are out. We need a spare and plan to replace—recommend buying one new and get a cost to repair for the spare. A pump also needs work—quote to rebuild is \$4,078—wants approval to rebuild so we have a replacement. On Monday at 5:30 PM, the plant manager and Batson will provide a tour for board members who would like a tour.

2020 Tax Levy Worksheet (Curtiss)

We’ve received our assessed valuations on real and personal property from the county clerk. The worksheet was made a part of the board packet and will be discussed further at our next meeting. Our current tax levy is \$.6318 per \$100 of assessed valuations.

Closed Session

A motion to leave regular session and go into closed session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1) legal actions and RSMo 610.021(3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees was made by Randy West, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote with the ayes being: Talyia Leeper, Alisa Lowry, Damon Mills, Kerry Nelson, Sean O’Connell and Randy West—there were no nay votes.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Alisa Lowry, with Sean O'Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:43 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer