

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
THURSDAY, MAY 20, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER.** Mayor Luke Davis called the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:02 PM on Thursday, May 20, 2021 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	Sunthosh Parvathaneni, Alderman Ward 1	Present
Talyia Leeper, Alderwoman Ward 2	Present	Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2	Present
Alisa Lowry, Alderwoman Ward 3	Absent	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Present

(Nelson attended via conference call.)

Guests: Resident Ruth Benedett.

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

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No comments to come before the board.

**AGENDA**

**NEW Business**

**2020 Audit—Decker (Davis)**

Marshall Decker, with Decker and DeGood, presented the audit report to the board. We received a “clean opinion” for the 2020 audit. The City is financially sound, with records in good order.

**Items For Approval**

**Approval of April 15, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)**

A motion to approve the April 15 2021 regular meeting minutes was made by Randy West, with Damon Mills seconding the motion. The motion was approved, with Talyia Leeper abstaining as she was absent.

**Approval of April 15, 2021 Closed Session Meeting Minutes (Davis)**

A motion to approve the April 15, 2021 closed session meeting minutes was made by Damon Mills, with Randy West seconding the motion. The motion was approved, with Talyia leeper abstaining as she was absent.

### **Approval of May 6, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)**

A motion to approve the May 6, 2021 regular meeting minutes was made by Talyia Leeper, with Sunny Parvathaneni seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Approval of May 6, 2021 Closed Session Meeting Minutes (Davis)**

A motion to approve the May 6, 2021 closed session meeting minutes was made by Sunny Parvathaneni, with Damon Mills seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Approval of Treasurer's Report and Expenses To Be Paid (Curtiss)**

This report was made a part of the board packet. The treasurer's report and expenses to be paid of \$24,874.23 for the general fund and \$31,911.79 for the sewer fund were presented. A motion to approve the treasurer's report and expenses was made by Kerry Nelson, with Talyia Leeper seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

### **Bid Selection For Cassidy Entrance Guardhouse (Batson)**

We only had one bid for construction of the Cassidy guardhouse following our first ad, but it was invalid. We extended the bid time for two more weeks and the same contractor submitted a valid bid—the only bid received after the extension. The bid for construction of the guardhouse was \$69,000 (\$20,000 higher than the first bid). Because the construction market is so unstable right now, Batson recommended waiting until the end of the summer to see if pricing comes down. We would be responsible for grading and removing the block wall that is there. Options other than a guardhouse could be considered. It was decided the committee would meet again to consider all options and present a recommendation in 2 weeks.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Citywide Fiber (Mills)**

Two RFP's were received in response to our ad. The committee will meet Monday at 5:15 PM to discuss the proposals

### **CWERG (SCEAP) Grant Update (Batson)**

Flow meters were placed to divide Fair Haven into two sections and will pull next week since we've had some rain events. There was one location where the meter failed—will see if data is something that's even need. GRE is 60%-70% complete on the facility plan, which will show areas we are taking in excessive flow and what we need to do to make the plant more efficient. We have currently used \$30,142.41 out of our \$37,850 contract. The facility plan should be ready to present at the next meeting. The Briarbrook East sewer line issue is doubling the flow into the plant—the preliminary test over the weekend showed they had to dig back further to find the break.

### **Sawgrass Weir Rehabilitation (Batson)**

K & B has never done a weir structure project—they recommended 3 or 4 possible contractors for this rehab. Batson sent plans, ad and insurance requirements to them. The bids are due June 16 and this is the only stormwater project currently out for bid. We may not get the two proposed projects

done this year. The second stormwater project (Winged Foot Drive) may not have a huge increase in materials due to the scope of the project.

**American Rescue Plan Act—Guidelines (Curtiss)**

Guidelines have been released and the board received a copy. Davis will follow up with the County on their plan for using these funds.

**NEW BUSINESS**

No new business to come before the board.

**CLOSED SESSION**

A motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMO 610.021(3) hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employee was made by Talyia Leeper, with Sunny Parvathaneni seconding the motion. The motion was approved by roll call vote with the ayes being: Leeper, Mills, Nelson Parvathaneni and West—there were no nay votes.

**ADJOURN**

A motion to adjourn was made by Randy West, with Talyia Leeper seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer