

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, JANUARY 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, January 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.

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| Luke Davis, Mayor | Present | | |
| Ann Littell Mills, Alderman Ward 1 | Present | Sean O’Connell, Alderman Ward 1 | Present |
| Ben York, Alderman Ward 2 | Present | Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2 | Present |
| Alisa Lowry, Alderman Ward 3 | Present | Randy West, Alderman Ward 3 | Present |

Guests: Resident, Ruth Benedett.

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

OPEN FLOOR TO VISITORS*

No comments to come before the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of December 19, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)

A motion to approve the December 19, 2019 regular meeting minutes was made by Kerry Nelson, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Approval of January 2, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis)

A motion to approve the January 2, 2020 regular meeting minutes was made by Randy West, with Ann Littell Mills seconding the motion. The motion was approved with Sean O’Connell abstaining as he was absent.

Approval of January 2, 2020 Closed Session Meeting Minutes (Davis)

A motion to approve the January 2, 2020 closed session meeting minutes was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion. The motion was approved with Sean O’Connell abstaining as he was absent.

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

A motion to approve the treasurer’s report and expense to be paid from the general fund of \$18,882.01 and the sewer fund of \$18,556.16 was made by Kerry Nelson, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Bids For Excavation Contract (Batson)

Batson and Curtiss opened bids for excavation services today—we received one bid, which was from K & B Equipment (two bid packets were sent out total). The bid submitted was \$90 per hour for 2020 and 2021 and \$95 per hour for 2022 for equipment and operator, and \$30/\$32/\$35 per hour for additional laborer for 2020/2021/2022. Batson would recommend the bid be awarded to K & B Equipment. A motion to accept the bid from K & B Equipment for excavation services was made by Sean O’Connell, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

City Park (Batson)

We are waiting to get GRE renderings and cost estimates after meeting with Beaty and Schoenhoff—we expect them back any day and will then have a city committee meeting. Growcock is familiar with what the club is offering towards this project.

GRE Landscaping Plan For Cassidy Addition (Batson)

West presented his rendering of what the Cassidy entrance might look like with a guardhouse. After general discussion, it was decided to move forward with the CC entrance, only, and put it out for bid. We will wait on Cassidy until we can get estimates on building a wall/guard shack and design plans are finalized. We will verify the area we have to work in—we could possibly negotiate an easement with Wasson for a portion of the lot north of the intersection.

Update On Declarations Of Candidacy (Curtiss)

To date, these candidates have filed: for Mayor (Luke Davis), Ward 1 Alderman (Damon Mills) and Ward 3 Alderman (Alisa Lowry). The deadline to file is Tuesday, January 21 at 5 PM (the City office will be closed on Monday, January 20, 2020 in observance of the holiday).

Briarbrooke East Sewer Infrastructure (Batson)

We contacted DNR and found a permit for that section to be developed with sewer, but no letter of acceptance is on record. Shaffer does not have record as to whether the line had been tested. If there is no agreement in place, the developer would be responsible for any costs to the main line to make sure the system is in proper working order—we don’t have to accept it until it comes online. We’ve asked the developer to locate the manholes that are buried and made them aware that we need to have the line tested before pumping begins. We don’t accept the structure until we start getting flow from them. On a separate issue regarding a property owner not willing to fix a leak in their sewer service line, it is our decision as to whether he needs to repair his system (we based our opinion on smoke testing). Dyer feels it needs fixed. The plan will be a call to the property owner from Batson and Dyer to further explain the importance of fixing the issue, followed by a letter from the City requesting it be repaired if they again decline to fix, then followed by an attorney letter if not remedied.

NEW BUSINESS

DRIVE25 (O’Connell)

Security update—this project was made a part of the board packet.

Possible Fence Painting And Repairs (Batson)

There is 960 ft. of fence on Rolling Hills Dr.--\$4,320 at an estimated \$4.50 per foot (the fence is taller than our other fencing). The 14th addition would like to paint their fence this year and could possibly piggyback onto our project. We budgeted \$10,000 in the fence budget for painting and/or repairs.

Street Sign Expansions (Batson)

Batson prepared a list of signs on light poles and free standing—5 free standing signs (dead end, no outlet, yield, speed limit and golf cart crossing) and there are probably 17-18 speed limit signs on light poles. 5 poles @ \$216 per pole (before shipping) would cost \$1,812, plus installation—the signs would cost approximately \$270. We budgeted \$2,000, so this would put us a little over our budgeted amount for 2020. A motion to install the 5 additional signs was made by Kerry Nelson, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to RSMO 610.021(1) Legal Actions, Causes Of Action Or Litigation

A motion to go into closed session pursuant to Section 610.021(1) RSMo was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved by roll call vote with the ayes being: Alisa Lowry, Ann Littell Mills, Kerry Nelson, Sean O’Connell, Randy West and Ben York—there were no nay votes.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Kerry Nelson seconding the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer