

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 4, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:01 PM on Thursday, May 21, 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		
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

Guest: Resident, Ruth Benedett

City Officials: Dale Batson/Project Manager and Jeanette Curtiss/City Clerk/Finance Officer.

OPEN FLOOR TO VISITORS*

Sean O’Connell shared positive comments on the recently installed butterfly garden at the Fremont Hills Drive entrance. Ann Littell Mills inquired about the amount of the monthly payment to Natures Image for mowing/landscape maintenance services.

CONSENT AGENDA

Stormwater Improvement Project Retainer (Batson)

Batson reported that a possible alternative to bidding every excavation job we have is to hold a retainer from the last project and use that contractor for the next stormwater project. Legal counsel has approved this alternative, and we are of the understanding other cities do this as well. We have trouble getting bidders for our projects and when we do, it seems to be the same bidder. A motion to retain \$1,000 on the Interlochen/Canterbury project in order to retain the contractor under contract was made by Kerry Nelson, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update (Davis)

Davis reported there have been 34 cases in Christian County with 9 active cases now (2 are contract traced). York entered the meeting at this time. We received paperwork from the County on possible reimbursements for COVID-related expenses (uploaded to the board packet). Under the CARES Act, there are two phases—with Phase I we can receive reimbursement for any expenses that are COVID-related that we have incurred (Zoom subscription is only expense at this time). Phase II allows us to make proactive COVID-related purchases for what potentially may occur. A backpack sanitation fogger (estimated cost of \$600) was a suggestion—the fact we rent our office/meeting space is not a factor. Testing is

ramping up in the County. Other possible Phase II items are: n95 masks, gloves, and iPads. Phase II is available June 1.

Nuisance Property (Curtiss)

We have had not communication from the Oakmont property regarding the roof since the end of April. The Board decided to send a second citation.

The Winged Foot property needing painting has not responded to our last communication. The Board decided to send a final notice/attorney letter.

The board discussed preparing a timeline of when communications will go out on ordinance violations.

NEW BUSINESS

2020 Stormwater Improvement Project(s) (Batson)

The Scioto Drive project and the double barrel entrance are the next stormwater projects. 2021 projects have been developed. The Board discussed purchasing a drone or contracting services for drone footage of some of the stormwater flow areas.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning and Zoning

Recommendations For Replacement Of Chairman And Committee Member (Davis)

P & Z is recommending Tom Tobin as P & Z Chairman (replacing Papit) and Rebecca Jenkins as P & Z Committee Member and Design Review Committee Member (replacing Leeper). The Board will pass a resolution at the next meeting to appoint them to these positions.

Recommendation From P & Z Public Hearing Amending Fence Ordinance (Davis)

There were no comments in the public hearing regarding the amendments to the fence language, only a few questions for clarification (2 residents attended). With this change allowing Cassidy residents on the external residential boundary to have a fence, we may look at a common fence along that border for continuity. P & Z recommends amending the fence ordinance—the Board will amend the ordinance at the next meeting. Batson will research costs for a boundary fence.

Sewer

SCADA System Install Update (Batson)

No update—Vaught is at least 2 weeks out before a start time.

Streets

Interlochen/Canterbury Stormwater Improvement Update (Batson)

The project is complete with exception of painting the rusty grates (gray) and laying sod in the ditch between Stewart and Greene.

Street Light Pole Cleaning (Batson)

Shingle Brite is scheduled to clean the street light poles and at the same price as last year 28 poles--\$1,015. They are 3 weeks out. The poles to be cleaned are marked in blue on the handout in the board packet.

Beautification

Cassidy Entrance Landscaping Project (Batson)

The committee has been formed (Lowry, Batson and West) but not had a chance to meet—they should be further along by the next meeting. We will send out a communication on the pollinator garden to residents.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Kerry Nelson, with Sean O’Connell seconding. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer