

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:04 PM on Thursday, September 20, 2018 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	Kevin Jansen, Alderman Ward 1	Present
Ben York, Alderman Ward 2	Present	Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2	Absent
Alisa Lowry, Alderman Ward 3	Present	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Absent

Guests Present: Residents Ruth Benedett and Sean O’Connell.

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

OPEN FLOOR TO VISITORS* No comments to come from guests.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Approval of August, 30, 2018 Tax Levy Hearing Minutes (Davis) A motion to approve the August 30, 2018 tax levy hearing minutes was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Alisa Lowry seconding the motion. The motion was approved, with Ben York abstaining as he was not in attendance.

Approval of August 30, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes (Davis) A motion to approve the August 30, 2018 regular meeting minutes was made by Kevin Jansen, with Alisa Lowry seconding the motion. The motion was approved, with Ben York abstaining as he was not in attendance.

Approval of Treasurer’s Report and Expenses To Be Paid (Curtiss) A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report and expenses to be paid of \$18,271.85/general fund and \$18,181.25/sewer fund was made by Ann Littell Mills, with Kevin Jansen seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning and Zoning

Christensen updated the board on some of the current construction projects in the City--3 cosmetic additions to houses and 4 houses under construction (the one in Cassidy is done). We

understand there may be 2-4 more homes ready to start soon—2 in Cassidy, 1 on Rolling Hills and 1 in Fremont Parke.

Home Remodel Not Completed By Deadline (Curtiss)

Nelson met with the homeowner—work just started on the steps.

Builders Deposit (Christensen)

Christensen requested this agenda item be withdrawn.

Sewer

Sewer Averaging/Sewer Rates (Christensen)

After our recent contamination of the plant, the reseeded worked well—the outflow is crystal clear. We will be purchasing a couple of probes for testing. There will be a DNR rep here on October 16 to assist with evaluating sewer rates.

Beautification

York reported that mums will be planted at the entrances and some seasonal decorations put up. We have no quotes from Natures Image yet on a landscaping plan for the CC Hwy. entrance.

Streets

Street Resurfacing (Christensen)

Journagan says it will now be mid-October before they can complete our project.

Replacing Older Street Name Signs (Christensen)

Christensen reported we were asked to wait another couple months before checking with the City of Springfield on the street signage. The street name signs can be green, blue, white with black lettering and brown (brown usually denotes a historical area or parks). We will budget \$60,000 for this project in 2019.

Scioto Stormwater Project (Christensen)

Bids for this project are due October 3. Shaffer indicated there have been 3 contacts on the project-- two contractors who may bid—the third doesn't have time in their schedule for the job. We will add the review of these bids to our October 3 agenda, when we have the budget workshop.

There was a miscommunication about property taxes posted on NextDoor, Twitter and Facebook—a correction was published. Three residents responded to this communication, but it was about how high their water bills were. The board discussed quality control before something is posted so incorrect information doesn't get sent out—we encourage Needham to ask questions if unclear on anything—currently there's no pre-approval on items posted—we'll consider this a teaching moment and address if it continues.

OLD BUSINESS

Common Area Furnishings (Lowry)

The board table ordered through Grooms is scheduled to be delivered to their warehouse the first week of October—we should have everything in place by our October meeting. Other items were pretty expensive so we are purchasing items ourselves. After the seating arrangements are established, we may consider replacing the ceiling lighting.

457(b) Retirement Plan (Littell Mills)

The company giving the presentation is based out of North Carolina and with the storms, asked to defer their presentation until October. The annual administrative cost on this plan is \$1,700 per year, based on \$10,000 of contributions into the plan.

NEW BUSINESS

FHCC Request For Controlled Burn (Davis)

The club has requested a controlled burn as they have lots of wood chips from trees removed this winter—remnants of 60 trees. We assume they would burn by the maintenance shed (between holes 7-8) on this would be a one-time event. The Board felt as long as they consult the fire department when they hold the controlled burn, and weather conditions are suitable to minimize the smoke, it should be fine. We need to ask if they would allow us to burn there in the event of a natural emergency (ice storm, etc.).

Missouri 911 Service Board—Statute Change On Prepaid Wireless Devices As A 911 Funding Source (Davis)

Legal counsel did not advise opting out of the statute change.

2019 Budget Workshop—Set Date (Davis)

Wednesday, October 3 was set for the 2019 budget workshop.

Residential Directories (Curtiss)

We have some residents requesting a paper residential directory—the Board was split on whether to order a minimum number of print copies. Residents have an opportunity to opt out of the directory when they receive their new resident packet of information—we will continue to keep an electronic copy and get updated information. This information could be requested under the Sunshine Law.

October Community Event (Davis)

The community event organizers would now like to focus on just a Christmas event—golf cart parade, maybe a house decorating contest and a reception. It's too late in the month for a fall event. When we get the common area furnishings completed, we could possibly have an open house before the October or November meeting from 5:30 to 6:30 with light refreshments (coffee, cookies, etc.).

Halloween Security Patrol (Davis)

Halloween is on a Wednesday this year. After general discussion, it was decided to have 1 officer patrolling from 6 PM to 8 PM.

Christmas Lighting (Littell Mills)

Ozarks Landscaping Service evaluated all three entrances--working plans are to outline in lights specifically made for each entrance—brick, eves, double barrel, and possibly a featured row of trees on the double barrel. Light outlines are \$6.50 per foot, made and installed the first time--\$3.50 per foot for future--\$1,259 and \$588 to take down the lights (does not include the tree element). Storage and maintenance would be our responsibility (maybe the storage unit at the WWTP could be utilized). Littell Mills will have them check the math on the project (price covers less than 200 feet) and decide on the project at the October 3 meeting.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Kevin Jansen, with Ann Littell Mills seconding the motion. The motion was approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:46 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____

Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer