

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER. Mayor Luke Davis called the regular semi-monthly meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 6:12 PM on Thursday, December 3, 2020—this meeting was held in a virtual format via Zoom—access instructions were noted on the meeting agenda.

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	Absent	Kerry Nelson, Alderman Ward 2	Absent
Alisa Lowry, Alderwoman Ward 3	Present	Randy West, Alderman Ward 3	Present

Guests: Jon Hilton/Scapes,

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

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There were no comments to come before the board.

AGENDA

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

Bid Selection For Mowing And Lawn Care Maintenance (Batson)

After review and discussion of the bids (bid tabulation sheet was made a part of the board packet) Batson recommended Scapes for this contract. A motion to approve Scapes for the mowing and lawn care contract was made by Sean O’Connell, with Randy West seconding the motion. The aye votes were: West and O’Connell, the nay votes were Mills and Lowry—split vote. Because this vote is not for an ordinance but is a contract and only 4 members are in attendance, Davis was able to vote to break the tie and he voted affirmative for Scapes to be our vendor. Hilton left the meeting at this time.

OLD BUSINESS

COVID-19 Update (Curtiss)

The Christian County Health Department update was made a part of the board packet. We’ve contacted Christian County Emergency Management on the vaccination process—they are still working on this plan but Walgreens may be providing the vaccinations.

Cassidy Property—Troxel (Batson)

Brad Mackey has yet to provide us with an update—he’s been contacted as to the status.

Security Patrols (O’Connell)

Officer Dobbs is working the current theft in the City. Captain Rocky Seiner is helping out during Officer Whitaker’s absence. We need to get the message out to remind residents if they see something, say something. NetWatch will pull footage on the recent porch furniture theft.

Future City Meetings/Format (Davis)

Davis does not see the meetings switching back to an “in person” format anytime soon. The ZOOM format should be fine, and we don’t feel a need to get camera or equipment at this time. City should probably invest in a laptop for the clerk—Davis will get a quote for one (\$1,000 estimate).

NEW BUSINESS

None

No new business to report.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Planning and Zoning

Public Hearing For Special use Permit—December 10 (Davis)

The public hearing for the special use permit starts at 6 PM on Thursday, December 10 at the Ozark Community Center. The meeting room will be set up such that social distancing can be observed--masks will be required. Everyone who wishes to speak will be given a chance to do so—P & Z needs to hear the comments made. We may ask the aldermen to facilitate with lining up the speakers (have people who want to speak sign in, give them 3 minutes to speak). No votes will be taken that evening—P & Z will only listen to public comments—will meet December 17 to vote. Zoom meeting will be only for P & Z members who can’t be there, if that happens to be the case. Randy West and Alisa Lowry volunteered to assist that night. City council will not have a role in voting on this issue.

Sewer

SCADA System Install Update (Batson)

Batson reported the install is not complete yet. We have moved forward on sending in paperwork for the cell phone plan to get it in place.

SCEAP Grant Status Update (Batson)

Batson reported that we should be approved and ready to move forward next week. We will get will GRE to get the process in the works.

Manholes Raised (Batson)

A manhole report was made a part of the board packet. We have raised approximately 13 in the last couple of weeks. There has been no negative feedback from homeowners when their sod was disturbed. We came across a few more that need to have more than just the surface

uncovered. This is big progress on this project—only 4 or 5 maybe left to do. This will help with our I and I report.

Streets

Nothing new to report.

Beautification

Nothing new to report.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Randy West, with Sean O’Connell seconding the motion. The motion was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned a 7:20 PM.

CITY OF FREMONT HILLS

By: _____
Luke Davis, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jeanette Curtiss, City Clerk/Finance Officer