

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
OF THE CITY OF OSAGE BEACH, MISSOURI

August 30, 2012

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Osage Beach, Missouri, met to conduct a special meeting on Thursday, August 30, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The following were present: Mayor Penny Lyons, Alderman Fred Catcott, Alderman Lois Farmer, Alderman Steve Kahrs, Alderman John Olivarri, Alderman Kevin Rucker and Alderman Ron Schmitt. The City Clerk, Diann Warner was present and performed the duties of that office.

Mayor's Communications.

Mayor Lyons welcomed everyone to the special meeting, specifically Dave Silvester, District 5 Engineer, Bob Lynch and others from MoDOT. Mayor Lyons announced that a month ago the Board of Aldermen asked staff to work with MoDOT and to look into a proposal for improving accessibility to the west side of the City. Tonight's meeting is to hear staff's report and to hear the proposal from MoDOT. Mayor Lyons announced that there will be no public input; however, the public will have an opportunity to speak at the Board of Aldermen meeting next week after having time to assess the information.

Liquor License. Alderman Schmitt moved to approve the issuance of liquor license for Sunday sales to Woody's Tavern and Sports Bar. Alderman Farmer seconded the motion which was voted on and unanimously passed.

Staff Report on Key Largo Ramp.

City Administrator Nancy Viselli announced that staff was asked to study the west end of the City and a report was completed that includes conversations with property owners and estimated costs. She added that MoDOT came up with another option which they will discuss. Ms. Viselli asked MoDOT representatives to leave the map here at City Hall for the public to review.

City Engineer Nick Edelman presented a report on a proposed Key Largo ramp that includes a drawing showing a rough alignment and indicates the amount of fill material that would be needed. The engineers' estimate does not include costs for property acquisition.

Discussion followed on the report and different ideas were submitted from elected officials. Alderman Rucker expressed his appreciation to staff for generating the report. Mr. Silvester offered to model the idea of the slip ramp to determine if it would be safe and move traffic however he said he had never seen this type of design.

Funding options were discussed including Transportation Development Districts, Neighborhood Improvement Districts, and General Obligation Bonds, all of which require voter approval according to City Attorney Ed Rucker.

MoDOT Presentation on Alternate Options.

Mr. Silvester, District 5 Engineer, introduced Bob Lynch, Nicole Hood and Bruce Green. Mr. Silvester said that an outer road and cost share with the City had been discussed which would save money, move traffic, create safer travel and create economic development. He said the safest option would be an interchange at Key Largo, however that option was not considered because the estimated cost of an interchange is between \$8 and \$15 million which makes it unaffordable. Mr. Silvester presented MoDOT's two alternate options:

1. Compressed median design; two lanes with six feet shoulders on each side next to the east bound lane. Cost estimated to be \$3.5 million. This design allows for connecting to the outer road, parallels Highway 54; starts where the Parkway leaves off. Approximately 1 acre of right of way needed. Does not require a lot of fill but requires a great deal of concrete.
2. Past HMI follow the natural ground line to match up with Lamar. Approximately 2.8 acres needed, more costs in right of way but less money for material, provides more development opportunities.

Mr. Silvester said either option eliminates the Key Largo intersection.

Alderman Catcott expressed his concern that from Y Road to KK is four miles and if the ramp could be constructed the outer road would not be needed. Alderman Kahrs agreed, however, he stated that it would provide for future development in that area. Mr. Silvester said the two options presented are the safest proposals they could come up with. Alderman Olivarri said one advantage to the outer road is it allows east – west traffic flows. Alderman Rucker said one important part is that it provides an option if there is an accident on the expressway. He asked if MoDOT would allow the road to be named Osage Beach Parkway and Mr. Silvester replied in the affirmative stating that a sign could be installed prior to Y Road saying Osage Beach next 7 exits.

Alderman Kahrs discussed annexation of the area and stated that the City would have to annex to protect the City's interests. Mr. Silvester said MoDOT has a process that would allow the City to annex the right of way because once construction is complete; it would be the City's to maintain.

Alderman Rucker questioned whether cost sharing is available. Mr. Silvester responded that he is hoping that cost sharing would be available where MoDOT would pay 1/3 of the costs; the City 1/3 and cost share funds would pay 1/3.

Mayor Lyons questioned the amount of right of way that would be available for utilities. Mr. Silvester said MoDOT would turn over the road and the right of way to the City after completion and there would be room for utilities. Mr. Silvester said there are no funds this year; 2013 funds are committed but funds, as well as the cost share, would be available in 2014. He said construction would begin in the spring of 2014. Lighting on the proposed Osage Beach Parkway extension was discussed and Mr. Silvester said it would be possible; however, MoDOT would need to know to design breakaway poles.

Alderman Olivarri questioned the deadline for notifying MoDOT of the City's decision. Mr. Silvester said that plans for an acceleration lane at Key Largo were turned in Friday and he needs an answer from the City within three weeks. He added that MoDOT promised the residents that the acceleration lane would be completed by Thanksgiving. The cost of the acceleration lane is estimated to be \$156,000. It was noted that the U turns will not be eliminated although they are not the safest.

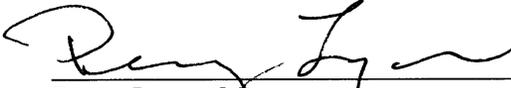
Alderman Olivarri suggested that a rough design of the slip ramp be given to MoDOT so that they know what to model. Consensus was to discuss the options for the design of a slip ramp with City Engineer Edelman and MoDOT will review and model the design.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

The public was invited to remain for a question and answer period with MoDOT representatives.

I, Diann Warner, City Clerk of the City of Osage Beach, Missouri, do hereby certify that the above foregoing is a true and complete journal of proceedings of the special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Osage Beach, Missouri, held on August 30, 2012.


Diann Warner, City Clerk


Penny Lyons, Mayor

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