

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

November 6, 2013

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Osage Beach, Missouri, met to conduct a special meeting on Monday, November 6, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall. The following were present: Mayor Penny Lyons, Alderman Fred Catcott, Alderman Steve Kahrs, Alderman Michelle Myler, Alderman John Olivarri, Alderman Kevin Rucker and Alderman Ron Schmitt. Others present were City Administrator Nancy Viselli, Assistant City Administrator Jeana Woods, Public Works Director Nick Edelman, City Treasurer Karri Bell, Airport Manager Budd Hyde, City Planner Cary Patterson, Human Resources Generalist Cindy Leigh, and City Clerk Diann Warner.

2013 Budget.

Planning.

City Planner Cary Patterson said funds were budgeted in 2013 to purchase the scanner however, the amount budgeted was not enough to make the purchase. Since that time, he said technology has decreased in price and he believes \$10,000 is enough. All plats, new and existing, will be scanned plus all building permits. No training is budgeted.

Human Resources.

Health insurance for 2014 includes a 12% increase. There are 102 employees budgeted for 2014 and the health insurance line item is based on family coverage for current vacancies. Discussion followed on the cost of health insurance and some suggestions for saving money. MPR open enrollment is in May and HR Generalist Cindy Leigh should have information regarding rate increases by March. Assistant City Administrator Jeana Woods will gather information on the entire employee benefit package for the Board to review.

Line items for education reimbursement and the job classification compensation plan are being reduced as well as vaccinations since MPR pays for flu shots. Funds are budgeted for random and DOT drug testing.

City Administrator.

No questions on this budget.

Economic Development.

Discussion followed on promoting the City and budgeting more funds to do so. It was noted there are many organizations that promote the area but possibly the state should spend more on advertising. A suggestion was made to work with University of Missouri's economic development group and possibly they would work with the City and with the business community to create a vision.

Assistant City Administrator Jeana Woods gave a breakdown of where the money is spent for the Fall Festival. White goods recycling will be collected in the spring, most likely in May.

Holiday displays were discussed. The number was limited this year due to the amount of displays that could physically be erected and to modify the electric to accommodate the displays. Two dozen more displays will be added next year.

Alderman Rucker moved to eliminate the east/west designation for the location of the displays and refer to them as Phase 1 or Phase 2, further that one half of the displays be placed on one side of the bridge and one half on the other side of the bridge. Alderman Olivarri seconded the motion which was voted on and passed with Alderman Catcott and Alderman Schmitt expressing negative votes.

The electronic billboards on each end of the Grand Glaize Bridge were discussed. The cost to advertise from April to December is \$1,500 per four week period for the two boards.

Alderman Catcott moved to increase the budget for a six month period for the two electronic billboards at a cost of \$20,000. Alderman Kahrs seconded the motion which was voted on and passed.

#### Lee C. Fine Airport.

The subsidy from General Fund to Lee C. Fine Airport is \$23,000. No revenue from hangar rental was included in the 2014 budget. There is an issue that the contractor and MoDOT are working on regarding the hangars.

#### City Treasurer.

No questions.

#### CIT and TIF.

The transfers to water and sewer were not changed and the TIF is a percentage of the amount estimated. Prewitt's is not generating the amount of sales tax as it did previously. City Treasurer Karri Bell created a report of the Prewitt's TIF for the Board. In May, she anticipated that we will dip into the secondary reserve but not the reserve set up with the original bond issue.

City Treasurer Bell explained that bonds were issued for the Prewitt TIF but Dierbergs have notes which will not show up in the City's financials. Information is available if the Board would like to review it.

#### Answers to Questions Raised at Previous Workshop.

There are currently 233 natural gas customers and a line item will be created once the City receives a franchise check.

The question that was asked about purchasing the property for the expressway, the easement is valued at \$53,000. Water is estimated to cost about \$450,000 to \$675,000.

The cameras at Public Works will tie into the existing system at City Hall and it will be monitored by the Police Department.

#### Revenues and Expenses.

Electric franchise fees are increasing while telephone fees are decreasing due to the decrease in land lines. \$9,000 was collected in contractor's licenses however; \$16,000 was projected in 2013. Site development fees follow engineering which is now in Public Works. Revenue from the rental

of property includes the Highway Patrol lease and the telecommunications towers. Alderman Rucker expressed concerns about sales tax revenues. City Administrator Viselli projected a 4.5% increase in sales tax for this year and 1.5% is projected in 2014. Assistant City Administrator Jeana Woods noted that businesses are not reporting their income nor paying sales tax in a timely manner.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

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 November 6, 2013.

  
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Diann Warner, City Clerk

  
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Penny Lyons, Mayor

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