



**MINUTES OF THE
CITY OF VALLEY PARK
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
7:00 PM – OCTOBER 16, 2023**

**CITY HALL
320 BENTON STREET
VALLEY PARK, MISSOURI 63088**

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Chandra Webster called the regular meeting of the Valley Park Board of Aldermen to order at 7:01 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken:

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| Mayor: | Chandra Webster | Present | | |
| Aldermen: | Stephanie Reynolds | Present | Jon Young | Present |
| | Dave Rose | Present | Eddie Walker | Present |
| | Betty Halker | Present | Mike White | Present |
| | Randy Bowen | Present | Elijah Braswell | Present |
| Others present: | Tim Engelmeyer, City Attorney Nathan Schauf, City Administrator Gerald Martin, Public Works Director Matt Roskowske, Community Development Director Lt. Gregg Flinn, St. Louis County Police Department | | | |

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Walker made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman White made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2023 Regular Board of Aldermen meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Alderman White made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 27, 2023 Special Board of Aldermen meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Halker. The motion passed on a voice vote.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

New City Hall Update – Roy Mangan, Archimages

No report.

Bill No. 2023-19 – An Ordinance of the City of Valley Park, Missouri Amending Section 205.030 Fowl of the Municipal Code of the City of Valley Park

City Administrator Nathan Schauf explained the bill. There was discussion on this matter.

Alderman Halker made a motion to put Bill No. 2023-19 on its first reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a voice vote. Mayor Webster read aloud the title of the bill.

Alderman Walker made a motion to put Bill No. 2023-19 on its second reading by title only. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a voice vote. Mayor Webster read aloud the title of the bill.

Alderman Walker made a motion to approve Bill No. 2023-19. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a roll call vote:

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| Yes: | Bowen, Braswell, Halker, Reynolds, Rose, Walker, White, Young |
| No: | None |
| Absent: | None |

Bill No. 2023-19 is now Ordinance No. 2139.

Bids for New Snowplow

City Administrator Nathan Schauf explained the memo and three bids that were included in the packet. There was discussion on this matter.

Alderman Walker made a motion to accept the bid from Knapheide for a new snowplow in the amount of \$6,736.00. The motion was seconded by Alderman Bowen. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Wireless Security System at the Valley Park Community Library

City Administrator Nathan Schauf explained the memo, the letter from the library, and the request. There was discussion on this matter.

Alderman Walker made a motion to approve the Valley Park Community Library's request to install a wireless security system in the building. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a voice vote.

Application for Liquor License – Liquor Express

City Administrator Nathan Schauf explained the liquor license application. There was discussion on this matter. Alderman Walker made a motion to approve the Application for Liquor License submitted by Liquor Express. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a roll call vote:

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| Yes: | Braswell, Halker, Reynolds, Rose, Walker, White, Young |
| No: | None |
| Abstain: | Bowen |
| Absent: | None |

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

No action taken.

OCTOBER BILLS

Alderman White made a motion to approve payment of the October bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Alderman Young. The motion passed on a voice vote.

REPORTS

Mayor's Report – Chandra Webster

Mayor Chandra Webster stated the Trunk or Treat was scheduled for Saturday, October 21st at the Meramec Levee Recreation Park.

City Attorney's Report – Tim Engelmeyer

City Attorney Tim Engelmeyer informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the City has received a request to install a monument commemorating a lynching at the trailhead. There was discussion about the historical accuracy of the proposed location of the monument. Mr. Engelmeyer stated he would request a rendering of the proposed monument and a draft of the proposed language.

Mr. Engelmeyer informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that he did not have any updates on existing litigation. He is waiting for a ruling from the judge.

City Administrator's Report – Nathan Schauf

Vacating Alleyway Near Circle of Concern

City Administrator Nathan Schauf informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that Circle of Concern has requested that the City vacate the alley located near their properties. There was discussion on this matter.

Alderman Walker made a motion authorizing and instructing the City Administrator and City Attorney to draft an ordinance that would vacate the alley. The motion was seconded by Alderman Reynolds. The motion passed on a roll call vote:

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| Yes: | Braswell, Halker, Reynolds, Rose, Walker, White, Young |
| No: | None |
| Abstain: | Bowen |
| Absent: | None |

Onboarding Microsoft Surface Tablets

City Administrator Nathan Schauf informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the final step in onboarding with Miken Technologies is to install a monitoring agent on the Microsoft Surface tablets. He asked the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to leave the tablets with him, or bring them to City Hall soon, to have the monitoring agent installed on the devices.

Mr. Schauf also stated that he would be providing more in-depth information about the status of ongoing projects in the future. He said he would be providing a more detailed Report beginning with the packet for next month's Regular Board of Aldermen meeting.

Public Works Report – Gerald Martin

Public Works Director Gerald Martin provided updates on Phase 3 of the St. Louis Avenue Project, the Meramec Station Road/Hillsboro Road stormwater project, and the new lights at the Meramec Levee Recreation Park soccer field lights project. He stated there were no major issues with big trash cleanup and that leaf pickup would begin in November.

Mr. Martin also provided information about repairs to the street sweeper, repairs to the crack sealing machine, and plans to winterize the irrigation system at the soccer fields. There was discussion on these topics.

Alderman Walker inquired about the plan for road improvements in the spring.

Alderman Young inquired about the light pole bases around the baseball/softball fields at the Meramec Levee Recreation Park.

Community Development Report – Matt Roskowske

September 15th thru October 13th Report

Community Development Director Matt Roskowske informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the monthly stats from his department were included in the packet. He also provide updates on the Majestic Pointe subdivision, 44 West Luxury Living, and other businesses who are planning to relocate within the City Limits.

Mr. Roskowske informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the new flood maps from SEMA and FEMA should be provided to the City in mid-November. There was discussion on how long building permits were valid and administrative search warrants.

Parks Report – Gil DeNormandie

No report.

Police Report – Lt. Flinn

September Monthly Report

Lt. Gregg Flinn informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that his monthly report is in the packet and asked if they had any questions. He also stated that he would be speaking with Mr. Gerald Martin soon to discuss parking for the Trunk or Treat event.

Lt. Flinn informed the Mayor and Board of Aldermen that the Valley Park Police detail is aware of the recent surge in homeless people in the City and would be responding appropriately.

Alderman Walker stated that he would soon be scheduling a Police Committee meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to consider, Alderman Halker made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Alderman Walker. The motion passed on a voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:51 pm.

Minutes approved November 20, 2023.


Nathan Schauf
City Administrator