

**City of Elsberry
Regular Session
February 14th, 2023
Elsberry City Hall**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Elsberry met on the evening of the above date at Elsberry City Hall, 6:30pm. Mayor Short presided over the meeting. Present were Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis, City Attorney Rob Guinness, City Clerk Rachel Reed, City Treasurer Lisa Grumich and Police Chief Randy Davis. Also present were Kenny Claus and Brian Pieper of Alliance Water Resources.

Mayor Short called the meeting to order. The pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call deemed a quorum present.

Reading and acting are unapproved minutes from previous meetings

Alderman Wilch made motion to approve the unapproved minutes.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Reading of unpaid bills approval to pay report

Alderman Davis made a motion to pay unpaid bills.

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Proclamations for Retired Fire Chief Kevin Haley, Bernard Bange, Larry Carter, and Bill Pezold

Mayor Short presented Kevin Haley, Bernard Bange, Larry Carter and Bill Pezold with proclamations from the City. There was then a short break for refreshments and visiting.

Project updates

Boonslick Regional Planning- Rachel Reed spoke with Chuck Eichmeyer and we will be going out for bid on the Demo project. Bids will be due March 14th at 10:00 am.

USDA- Rachel Reed spoke with our new contact from USDA and also had meeting with DNR and Cochran. We will be able to use all 3 funding sources for the Wastewater treatment plant.

Cochran Engineering- nothing

PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, COMPLAINTS AND REQUESTS AND THE HEARING OF ANY PERSON OR GROUP DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, EACH OF WHOM HAVE FILED PRIOR REQUESTS TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODE 24.105

Benjamin Morgel Payment agreement for \$193.43 for 6 months. Mr. Morgel had a water leak and would like to have a payment agreement for 6 months.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to approve the payment agreement of \$193.43 for 6 months plus the monthly bill.

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Andrew Halbruegge abatement of \$297.57 for sewer. Mr. Halbruegge had a leak outside the house and would like to abate the sewer portion of his bill in the amount of \$297.57.

Alderman Davis made a motion to approve the sewer abatement of \$297.57.

Alderman Rochwell seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING A REQUIRED BY LAW OR ORDINANCE

No public hearing

ACTING ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business

NEW BUSINESS

Moving April Meeting

Mayor Short would like to move the April meeting to Wednesday April 12th. The certified election results will not be ready in time for the meeting.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to move the April 2023 Meeting to April 12th 2023.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Approval to publish financial statement in the Elsberry Democrat

Alderman Taylor made a motion to publish the financial statement in the Elsberry Democrat
Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Purchasing broom attachment, door, and windows for Bobcat

There were 3 bids for the broom attachment for the Bobcat. One from Skid Pro in the amounts of \$10,158.00 for a 72 inch broom and \$10,658.00 for an 84 in broom. The second bid was from Skid Steers Direct in the amounts of \$11,950.98 for a 72 in Blue Diamond brush and \$10,139.99 for a 72 in Haugen brush. The third bid was from Skid Steer solutions in the amounts of \$7895.46 for a 72 in brush and \$8565.93 for an 84 in brush.

The bids from Skid Steer solutions does not include as much as the other bids.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to purchase the 84-inch brush attachment from Skid Pro for \$10,658.00.

Alderman Wilch seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

There are 2 bids for the door and windows for the Bobcat.

The first bid is from Bobcat of St. Louis in the amount of \$3735.03. The second bid is from The Bobcat company in the amount of \$3665.87. One of the items in the second bid is out of stock.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to purchase the door and windows from Bobcat of St. Louis in the amount of \$3735.03.

Alderman Wilch seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nays-0

Motion Carried.

Auditing Services for 2022 Audit

Mayor Short informed the board that the Auditor has let the City know that they will not be able to conduct our audit due to an unforeseen staffing shortage. City Attorney Robert Guinness said that since we had gone out for bid for previous auditor we could solicit telephone bids.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to solicit telephone bids.

Alderman Wilch seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nays-0

Motion Carried.

READING OF BILLS REQUIRING ONLY A FINAL READING FOR PASSAGE

None

INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS FOR PASSAGE

RESOLUTIONS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION OF THE BOARD

REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

Library- nothing to report

Cemetery/Parks- Alderman Harper would like to have a meeting in March.

Infrastructure- nothing to report

Emergency Services- nothing to report

Page Branch Park- nothing to report

Tree Board- nothing to report

REPORTS OF ALDERMAN AND MAYOR

Mayor Short- There is a meeting for with the Directors of Lincoln County and the Lincoln

county commissioners on Tuesday from 6 to 8 PM. This meeting is regarding the Lincoln County water and waste water feasibility study that was done. If anyone would like to attend, please let him know.

Alderman Harper- Alderman Harper would like to discuss getting tasers for the police department.

Alderman Taylor- Alderman Taylor wanted to ask about the parking on Broadway and vehicles that are long and sticking out in the roadway. He wanted to know if there was anything that could be done about it. Mayor Short said that he doesn't think there is anything that we can do about it. Alderman Taylor would like the Police department to approach the driver of the vehicle and ask them to move. He also wanted to ask about the property at 713 Lincoln. Chief Davis said that this is being addressed. He said that there is a problem with dogs in Hillcrest attacking people.

Alderman Rockwell- nothing to report

Alderman Meyer- Alderman Meyer wanted to thank Alliance for fixing the stop sign at Sanderson and Lincoln.

Alderman Wilch-nothing to report

Alderman Davis- nothing to report

REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICERS

City Attorney Robert Guinness- absent

Alliance Manager Kenny Claus- The lakeview lift station pump did go down last month and he getting pricing on fixing it.

Police Chief Randy Davis- Chief Davis went over his packet. He would like to hire some part time officers and pay them \$19 per hour.

City Clerk Rachel Reed- nothing to report

City Collector Tashua Chiodini- nothing to report

City Treasurer Lisa Grumich-nothing to report

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT BY ANY PERSON OR GROUP DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WHO HAS NOT FILED A PRIOR REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODE 24.105

Skip Hale wanted to ask the board about getting the lines painted for parking. There is a lot more traffic. He also wanted to ask about the buildings at 314 and 316 Broadway and if they were going to be torn down.

Alderman Meyer made a motion to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo Section 610.021 (1) Legal actions, causes of action, litigation, or confidential or privileged communications with it's attorney (14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Alderman Harper- yes, Alderman Taylor-yes, Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman Wilch-yes, Alderman Meyer-yes, Alderman Davis-yes

Motion carried.

Closed session began at 8:08pm

Open session resumed at

Alderman Meyer made a motion to terminate the contract with MECO engineering for convenience.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

Ayes- Alderman Harper, Alderman Taylor, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Meyer made a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Wilch seconded that motion.

Ayes- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Wilch, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Davis

Nayes-0

Motion Carried.

Open session meeting was adjourned at 8:11 P.M.

