

## **Open Regular Meeting Minutes**

**February 27, 2023**

**6:00pm at 303 East Station Drive Sturgeon Mo 65284**

**Mayor Steve Crosswhite will now lead the pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call:**

**Mayor Steve Crosswhite- yes**

**Alderman Janice Butler - yes**

**Alderman Seth Truesdell - yes**

**Alderman David Day- yes**

**Alderman Kevin Abrahamson- yes**

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called the meeting to order:

Notice of Public Hearing

NOTICE is given a public hearing will be held by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Sturgeon, at **6:00 P.M.** on **February 27th 2023** at the City Hall in Sturgeon, Missouri, about the proposed preliminary plat for the Bailey Place plat located at the corner of W. Francis St. and N Fairgrounds Rd.

At this public hearing any interested person, corporation or political subdivision may present.

Mayor Crosswhite has now asked if there are any questions, comments and or concerns? If not, may I have a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the evidence regarding these matters.

He did remind everyone that P&Z did approve the preliminary plat for the Bailey Place. With the condition they will get the covenants being done before the final Plat is approved.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to approve the preliminary plat for the Bailey Place Plat. The motion was seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

City Attorney Jackie Rodgers spoke about the development agreement. This will ensure Jesse Bailey will build the subdivision up to code in a timely manner. Is this agreement going to take the place of the bond? Either or the development agreement or the bond or the letter of credit.

The thought of the City is the development agreement as a written plan that way all parties know exactly what is the plan going forward. The city would prefer the bond instead of the development agreement.

P& Z would like to see the new subdivision built in phases. Jessie Bailey said no the subdivision will not be built in phases.

This is something everyone will discuss in more detail if everyone agrees before the final plat is approved.

Open/Discuss/Score/Select Firm returning the Request for Qualifications, Professional, Engineering Services, Preliminary Engineering, Design, and Inspection Services for Street & Roads.

McClure and Mecos are the two that did submit bids after the scoring sheets were complete the Mayor called for a motion to accept the firm we desire to negotiate a contract with to perform our Pre-Engineering Report for possible Street & Roads Grant Application.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to go with McClure. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Zane Arends said before we do the new roads, we need to fix the water lines they all run under the roads. Do not put in new roads then tear them up to fix water lines that need to be repaired.

After much discussion the Alderman decide not to do the road project at this point, they want to get the water lines fixed first.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to rescind amend and reject all bids then table the street and roads project. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Guest: Lincoln Brown Mid-Missouri Planning Commission – Update on the CDBG Demolition Grant- Approve a Request for Proposal -Cultural Resource Survey- applying to our Demolition Grant.

Lincoln Brown did announce the City of Sturgeon will need to do a Cultural Survey for the Demo Project. They will survey each one of the sites. We do the procurement process because CDBG is paying for it up to \$5,000.00.

Who will do the Cultural Survey we have to go out for proposals, send off reports after we get them back the timeline is late summer.

Alderman Seth Truesdell made a motion to go out for bids March 15, 2023 with a return date of March 29, 2023. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Abrahamson with four in favor.

Mike Jacoby has asked questions regarding the purchasing policy? After much discussion it was acknowledge the Council needs to follow their own policy. With more discussion on the what the City is going to purchase, in a Council meeting then take it to a vote. Go out for bids when they should. With more clear direction as so everyone will know and understand what and where the money is being spent.

**Maintenance Department:** Robbie Hill the new Maintenance Supervision spoke to everyone about the supplies the water department needs. He explains the cost for water meters and meter sets from Water Supply will be \$9,100.00 will not be in for another six months. He did check with Schulte Supply they were 20% higher. He would like to go ahead and order these supplies he will have to have them.

Missouri Rural Water came to the office to visit with Robbie he shared a lot of good information. He did talk about maps he can get as so to see the water and sewer lines.

He told everyone Boone County came down they looked at all the fire hydrants. The oldest fire hydrant in Sturgeon is 1955 they are going to change out the five oldest hydrants. Then they are going to color code each hydrant each color has a different pressure strength.

He spoke a little about mowing they will take over some of it just not sure how much. Waiting to see how much the new contract will be the prices for the mowing contract are going up. The contract we have now will end June 30, 2023.

**Police Department:** Thomas Crawford spoke about the training on active shooters at the schools. Remind everyone to get your Golf Kart register and make sure you get your fence up around your pool. He is working on getting radar set up in both cars. In the fall the cameras in the cars will be installed. Also working on installing cameras in the park.

**Recreation Center Board:** Johnny Robinson spoke to the Council about making Rita Estes an employee on salary. This will be easier on her as she takes phone calls checks on Casey and works from home. At first the City Attorney thought no she can not be on salary because she did not make enough.

After the meeting the City Attorney talk to the Mayor and myself he said she can go on salary as long as she stills documents her time. She will be put into the timeclock system at seventeen hours@ \$12.00 an hour every two weeks. The hard copy documentation will be printed off and put on file with the payroll information.

**Fair Grounds Board:** Alderman Seth Truesdell said the Fair board is getting ready for the Demo Derby. This event will be held April 22,2023 at the Fairgrounds it was also noted the City guys will need to read all electric meters and water meters in and out when the Derby is over.

**Park and Tree Board:** Ira Robinson said if they get the cameras at the park with Verizon the cost will be \$40.00 a camera every month just to maintain them. You must purchase each camera in the amount of \$250.00 to start. Council will need to decide if they want to spend this much money on a camera system from Verizon or investigate other options. He would like to see two new signs on main street showing where the park is located. He would like a sign that says Sturgeon City Park also would like to see a pickle ball court. A big stone sign with land scaping all around cost will be \$3,000.00

**Cemetery Committee:** none

**Planning & Zoning Commission:** Mike Jacoby start working on the sidewalk plans. Working more on the new sub division with Jessie Bailey. Gayland Brooks is

getting with a surveyor after wards he will get with the City Attorney Jackie Rodgers. Development with Mr. Kemner and Mr. Perkins.

**Infrastructure Committee-** Zane Arends spoke to the Council about pumps he said to purchase one pump for Burks Street and one pump for Fairgrounds until McClure is done with there sewer study. With the lead time we need to get this order total cost is \$11,000.

Alderman Janice Butler made a motion to purchase these two pumps with deviating against the purchasing policy. The motion was seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor. This purchase is made due to the fact we need them in case of an emergency. It does take a long time to get these pumps in could be six months or longer.

It was brought to the attention of the Council the water department needs maps. They need to know where all shut off valves are and all water and sewer lines. Robbie will be looking into this with Missouri Rural Water.

Marijuana Sales Tax Update only one entity can get the 3% you must put on the ballot and have an ordinance and the City will receive the 3% tax.

Meeting on March 1, 2023 with Mr. Kemner his attorney and with REDI to go over the possibilities of what he can do with his land. How the process would work what all parties involved would be required to do.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the Regular Open Meeting Minutes January 23, 2023.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to accept the Regular Open Meeting Minutes January 23, 2023 Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the monthly expenditures and to pay all bills prior to the next meeting.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to approve the monthly expenditures and to pay all bills prior to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Janice Butler with four in favor.

City Clerk Donna Tracy: Would like to request a 4-drawer Legal Fireproof File Cabinet with Lock, for the City Office to keep all personnel files, banking information and various closed minutes under lock and key. She will investigate two other places get some more prices, then order the best deal for the office. They want to get it order and take the price out of all accounts.

City Attorney Jackie Rodgers: City Attorney spoke about the land the City owns and it is not in the City limits. After much discussion it was decide to annex into the City limits. We need a legal survey first.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to go out for bids to have a legal survey done for the City as to annex into the City Limits. Also, the City has the right to reject all bids the motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

March 15, 2023 at 1:30pm at the Boone County Court House. They will be a hearing on the Halderman case. This is the Court of Appeals they will not make the decision.

Alderman David Day asked the question why people who don't work for the City were using equipment to unload a dump truck. Mayor did reassure everyone our insurance and water district number ten insurance would have cover any incident that might have happen. They gave us dirt to use for fill to build up the back part of the lagoon. It was used for City purpose not with City employees.

Alderman David Day made a statement moving forward he does not want anyone who is not a city employee using or driving City equipment.

He also wants to do something about 409 Canada this house has some much junk around it even cars are park on the sidewalks. His question is what is Officer Crawford doing about this. He is working on this and is aware of the problem.

Alderman Janice Butler: She also wants Officer Crawford to keep on the houses in town that way too much junk in their yard.

Alderman Seth Truesdell: none

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson: none

Mayor Steve Crosswhite: The Sturgeon sign on the way out of town the back of the sign has nothing. He wants ideas on what to put on the back of the sign Sturgeon Bull Dog is one idea. The art class at school might be able to help out with this project.

Mayor also told the Alderman if they have two recycle bins in Sturgeon the second bin would cost the City of Sturgeon \$10,500.00. Alderman asks why can't T-Mac put two bins out and pick up at the same time. No, they do not want to pay \$10,500.00 for the second recycle bin.

The Boone County Commissioner's told the Mayor there is money that can be used for project's. He did encourage everyone to let him know what the needs might be. One suggestion was a J turn on 63 and CC more lighting at V and 22 another suggestion a left-hand turning lane at the junction of 63 and CC.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Alderman Janice Butler seconded by Alderman David Day all four in favor.

Meeting Ended: 8:35pm

Minutes Approved on:

ATTEST:

City Clerk Donna Tracy

Mayor Steve Crosswhite

The news media may obtain copies of this notice by contacting:

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