

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
CITY OF TOWN AND COUNTRY  
MARCH 9, 2020**

**WORK SESSION**

The work session meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Town and Country was held at 6:30 PM on Monday, March 9, 2020.

Present were: Aldermen Allen, Benigas, Butler, Frautschi, Mortland and Reuter. Alderman Holman was absent.

Mayor Dalton presided.

City Attorney Steve Garrett was present to represent the City.

**1. Discussion – Regular Meeting Agenda Items**

No votes were taken.

**REGULAR MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Town and Country was held at 7:00 PM on Monday, March 9, 2020 at the Municipal Center, 1011 Municipal Center Drive.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Rob Libera, Ward 4 resident, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

The 7:10 PM roll call indicated Aldermen Allen, Benigas, Butler, Frautschi, Mortland and Reuter to be present. Alderman Holman was absent.

Mayor Dalton presided.

City Attorney Steve Garrett was present to represent the City.

**PROCLAMATION**

Mayor Dalton read aloud a proclamation recognizing the accomplishments and contributions of all individuals with disabilities, and commending Lafayette Industries for providing those individuals in our community with employment opportunities and support.

A round of applause was held and the proclamation was presented to Lafayette Industries CEO Rob Libera and several members of his team.

**MINUTES – 02/24/20 Regular Meeting**

Alderman Allen moved for approval, seconded by Alderman Mortland.

Mayor Dalton called for any corrections or amendments.

Hearing none, the minutes of 02/24/20, were unanimously approved.

**HEARING FROM CITIZENS**

Ed Golterman, 542 Woodell Court, Kirkwood, briefed the Board about his collection of historical panels and various assets that can be made available for public viewings and events.

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)**

**APPOINTMENTS**

- **2020 Commission Reappointments**

Alderman Benigas moved to continue the en masse appointments to the meeting of April 13 for consideration. Alderman Frautschi seconded.

The roll call vote was as follows: AYE, Aldermen Allen, Benigas, Frautschi, and Mortland; NAY, Butler and Reuter; ABSTAIN, none; ABSENT, Holman.

The motion carried 4-2.

Mayor Dalton thanked the members that were present from both the Board of Adjustment and the Planning & Zoning Commission for their significant service to the community. He noted that the potential appointees were making themselves available for interview by the Board of Aldermen pursuant to the process outlined in the Municipal Code.

- **Board of Adjustment:** Jim Crowley  
David Adam  
Matt Meyer  
Sam Hawatmeh  
Meg Eveland-Alternate

Each listed Board of Adjustment member was present and stood available for questions from the Board of Aldermen.

- **Planning & Zoning:** Dennis Bolazina  
Andy Kuchan  
Amanda Mueller

Each listed Planning & Zoning Commission member was present and stood available for questions from the Board of Aldermen. Several inquiries were made regarding professional experience and the members' opinion about projects recently considered by P&Z, such as the Comprehensive Plan and the PDD for Clarendale.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND REPORTS****Mayor Dalton**

Mayor Dalton announced that the Board of Aldermen meeting scheduled for March 23 has been cancelled. He noted that the PDD Moratorium hearing and second reading would be scheduled for the next available meeting.

He also noted that a Coffee and Conversation with the Mayor open forum event would be held at 9:30 AM on March 27, at the Longview Farm House.

Reading aloud from a letter from the Government Finance Officers Association, Mayor Dalton announced that the City's comprehensive annual financial report qualified for a Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting.

Finally, Mayor Dalton announced that Alderman Allen, Holman, and Mortland would form a subcommittee to consider ideas for a community memorial to recognize the service of veterans, first responders, and other public safety professionals.

**Chief Cavins**

Chief Cavins announced the promotion of Corporal Jordan Fowle to Sergeant and Patrolman Dan Duddleston to Corporal. The officer's families were recognized and a round of applause was held.

Alderman Butler

Alderman Butler stated that Coffee with a Cop would be held at Starbucks from 8-9 AM on March 17. She further noted that the upcoming Police, Fire & EMS Commission meeting on March 19 would begin with a tour of the Police Department at 6:00 PM followed by the regular meeting at 7:00 PM.

Alderman Frautschi

Alderman Frautschi reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission would meet on March 11. She added that one of the upcoming agenda items will be the consideration of various amendments to the PDD language that she drafted with the City Administrator and Planner.

Alderman Allen

Alderman Allen stated that the Public Infrastructure Task Force will be meeting at 8:00 AM on March 26.

She also noted that she attended the Polar Plunge in support of the Special Olympics and was happy to report that the Police Department represented Town & Country very well.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**BILL NO. 20-10, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 2684 AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR AN OUTDOOR ATHLETIC FACILITY (FOOTBALL STADIUM) WITH LIGHTING AND PERMANENT SPECTATOR SEATING AT CHRISTIAN BROTHERS COLLEGE (CBC) HIGH SCHOOL, LOCATED AT 1850 DE LA SALLE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF TOWN AND COUNTRY**  
(sponsored by Aldermen Frautschi, Butler & Holman) (1<sup>st</sup> reading 01/27/20)

Mayor Dalton called for a second reading, without objection. Without objection, Bill No. 20-10 was read for the second time and placed upon its final passage.

Alderman Frautschi moved for approval, seconded by Alderman Reuter.

Alderman Benigas expressed concern with the number of requested uses being too high at 73 and suggested a limit closer to 40. He also noted concern with the end time for usage being too late. He referenced the less intrusive lighting design at West County Assembly of God and pointed out that their CUP requires an earlier end time of 10:00 PM.

Alderman Frautschi moved to accept Substitute Bill No. 20-10 for consideration and explained the changes include additional conditions for regulating noise from the PA system.

Alderman Reuter seconded and a voice vote carried.

Pete Eggebrecht, 13224 Clayton Road, spoke in support of the educational institution and their application. He noted that the request is reasonable and sound levels can be checked by professionals.

The roll call vote was as follows: AYE, Aldermen Allen, Butler, Frautschi, Mortland and Reuter; NAY, Benigas; ABSTAIN, none; ABSENT, Holman.

The motion carried 5-1 and Bill No. 20-10, as substituted, became Ordinance No. 4358.

**NEW BUSINESS****APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Alderman Frautschi moved to approve the purchase order to St. Louis Select Landscaping for 13541 Weston Park stormwater maintenance in the amount of \$4,645.45. Alderman Mortland seconded.

Alderman Butler inquired about the cost disparity between the lowest and highest bidder. In response, Public Works Director Tim Gregowicz explained that a cost spread is typical given the varying workload and schedule demands of contractors.

A voice vote was held and carried.

**APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Alderman Frautschi moved to approve the purchase order to St. Louis Select Landscaping for 1819 Manor Hill stormwater maintenance in the amount of \$5,857.18.

Alderman Mortland seconded and a voice vote carried.

**APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Alderman Mortland moved to approve the purchase order to Kelpo Contracting for 9 Woods Hill stormwater maintenance in the amount of \$4,902.00.

Alderman Allen seconded and a voice vote carried.

**BILL NO. 20-17, AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AN AMENDED FINAL SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE DEVELOPMENT KNOWN AS MARI DE VILLA, CITY OF TOWN AND COUNTRY, MISSOURI, WITH CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH AND AUTHORIZING CERTIFICATION OF THE AMENDED FINAL SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN** (sponsored by Aldermen Reuter, Mortland & Frautschi)

Mayor Dalton called for a first reading, without objection. Without objection, Bill No. 20-17 was read for the first time by title only.

Mayor Dalton declared Bill No. 20-17 continued to the meeting of Monday, April 13, 2020 for the second reading and consideration.

**APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Alderman Allen moved to approve the purchase order to Kansas Highway Patrol for a 2017 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor in the amount of \$24,850.00.

Alderman Butler seconded and a voice vote carried.

**APPROVAL OF A PURCHASE ORDER**

Alderman Mortland moved to approve the purchase order to JCB of St. Louis for a skid-steer in the amount of \$78,000.00.

Alderman Allen seconded and a voice vote carried.

**WARRANT LIST-03/09/20**

Alderman Allen moved for approval, seconded by Alderman Mortland.

Mayor Dalton called for any amendments.

Hearing none, a voice vote was taken on the warrant list of March 9, 2020, in the amount of \$163,705.94, and carried.

**OTHER**

Alderman Butler inquired about the existence of willful negligence, given the continued aldermanic vacancy in Ward 1 that may have contributed to quorum issues and items failing to get approval. In response, Mayor Dalton noted that he does not believe anyone is acting

in a willfully negligent manner. He read aloud from a resident's email, previously distributed to the Board, that encouraged leaving the seat vacant in order to let the citizens choose their own representative at the forthcoming election.

**ADJOURN**

Motion was made by Alderman Allen and seconded by Alderman Mortland to move to closed session pursuant to Section 610.021 (3) to discuss personnel and attorney/client privileged communications.

The roll call vote was as follows: AYE, Aldermen Allen, Benigas, Butler, Frautschi, Mortland and Reuter; NAY, none; ABSTAIN, none; ABSENT, Holman.

The motion carried unanimously and the Board moved to closed meeting at 8:09 PM.

The Board did not return to open regular session.

  
Ashley McNamara  
City Clerk