**CITY OF KNOB NOSTER**

**Board of Aldermen Session**

**Meeting Minutes**

**April 6, 2021**

1. MAYOR MORTON called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All present included: ALDERMAN THOMAS, LIECHTI, CHARRETTE, BABINEAUX, STAUFFER-BAUM and THERING. A quorum was verified.
2. ALDERMAN THERING made motion to approve the Agenda with a second by ALDERMAN THOMAS. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.
3. ALDERMAN CHARRETTE to approve the consent agenda consisting of a motion:
* approving minutes of the March 16, 2021, Board of Aldermen meeting
* approving the City’ Clerk’s Request for Destruction of Records

ALDERMAN THERING seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays (ALDERMAN BABINEAUX abstained).

1. The Board of Aldermen reviewed the bill list.
2. ALDERMAN CHARRETTE stated he had seen a black lab loose near Short/Summit Street. He also thanked the Public Works Dept. for the pothole repairs on Oak Terrace and Division Streets. He also noted that the yard work to be done after Spire has replaced their gas lines at the intersection of Sunset and Franklin Streets and Short Street didn’t appear to have been reseeded. He also said that the ‘No U Turn’ sign on the Bridge/Adams was loose and upside down. ALDERMAN BABINEAUX commended individuals putting ballot measures on social media to get the word out to patrons. ALDERMAN THERING stated that there were approximately 30 volunteers who participated in the Park clean up where many projects were completed. ALDERMAN LIECHTI reiterated the Park clean up success with numerous volunteers. He thanked all who participated. MAYOR MORTON was unable to attend the Park clean up but was heartened by all those who volunteered. He inquired who would be available to attend Base Community Council meeting via zoom. ALDERMAN CHARRETTE and THERING will be on the call for the City. MAYOR MORTON looks forward to the election results later this evening and assures all that there will be a smooth transition of power for the next Mayor and Aldermen. Lt. Van Vickle relayed that the department would be undergoing a NIBR and MULES audit on April 12, 2021. He stated that Chief Kniskern would be having surgery and, when returned to work, would have a lift restriction. He spoke to the Board regarding a rollover accident at Equity Bank. Fire Chief Rick Johnson shared his monthly fire report. He stated that the Fire Department would be getting 2 new volunteers soon. The Utility Clerk, Jeanette Burnor, stated that she put a reminder on the water bills for dog license renewal/registration and numerous patrons had no idea that they were supposed to license their dog. The Public Safety Committee met without Alderman Thomas. The Sidewalk Committee did not meet. The Inclement Weather Committee did not meet. The Planning and Zoning Commission did meet to elect a new chairman but decided to hold off until the election. The had a work session regarding zoning for short term rental properties. Parks and Recreations Dept. stated that there was a great turn out for the Park clean up. He wanted to thank the Lion’s Club, Panther Stealth Robotics and the Knob Noster Youth Sports Association for their participation and partnership. ate.
3. The City Administrator presented his report.
4. Mr. Perry Byerly of 200 South State Street thanked ALDERMAN BABINEAUX for his four years of service and wishes him good look in future endeavors. He also expressed deep appreciation for MAYOR MORTON’s four years of service that have changed our community for the better. Mr. Paul Bertschy of 10117 Knob Noster Road relayed thanks and appreciation for MAYOR MORTON’s service to our community through the Board of Aldermen, the Lion’s Club, Knob Noster Area Business Council, and Mainstreet Missouri meetings. He said that Adam was an amazing role model for the City’s youth.
5. Discussion was led by Scott Peterson, City Administrator, regarding the unfilled Emergency Management Director position for the City of Knob Noster. The Johnson County Emergency Management Agency has submitted a proposal for Johnson County to serve as the City’s EMD and open the High School tornado shelter during severe weather. The City Administrator believes that this agreement with Johnson County would be fiscally better than hiring a full-time EMD as JoCo EMA has proposed $4,300.00 for one year. Motion was made to approve the Johnson County Emergency Management Agency to provide the City’s Emergency Management Director services for one year costing $4,300.00 was made by ALDERMAN CHARRETTE with a second by ALDERMAN LIECHTI. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.

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1. Discussion was held regarding City Park pavilion rental fees and deposits. The Rental Form submitted by the Parks and Recreations Department was debated regarding reservation length, cancellation policy, unrented pavilion policy, and weekend trash after the pavilion rental. Motion was made to set aside Park Pavilion Rental Fees by ALDERMAN THOMAS with a second by ALDERMAN THERING. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.
2. Discussion was held regarding the Johnson County Health Department’s Covid Public Health Advisory. The Board of Aldermen have been lock step with the County regarding Covid regulations. The new JoCo Health Dept. regulations state that a face mask is not mandatory but highly suggested when social distancing is not feasible. Private businesses can restrict entrance without a face mask. MAYOR MORTON relayed that the City of Knob Noster has had 0 new cases of Covid in the past two weeks. The Board of Aldermen will utilize and comply with the JoCo Health Department’s Public Health Advisory.
3. Discussion was then held regarding the Collector’s yearly salary. According the ALDERMAN CHARRETTE, this position has not had a raise in 20 years. ALDERMAN THOMAS stated that the City is quite possibly being irresponsible with concerns about how and who is spending money and raising the City Collector’s salary just because the City believes there are funds available. She stated if a salary increase is approved, it should be based on the performance of the person currently in that position and not solely for the position itself and any other format is irresponsible spending. Motion was then made by ALDERMAN CHARRETTE for 12% raise over a two-year term with a second by ALDERMAN LIECHTI. Motion carried 5 ayes to 1 nay (THOMAS).
4. Discussion was held regarding waiving City-wide Yard Sale fees for the Knob Noster Area Business Council instead of them approaching the Board anytime City-wide Yard Sales are scheduled to happen. Motion was made by ALDERMAN THOMAS with a second by ALDERMAN CHARRETTE for the City Clerk to read Resolution 403 it its entirety. The City Clerk read Resolution 403 in its entirety. Motion was made to approve Resolution 403 by ALDERMAN THOMAS with a second by ALDERMAN STAUFFER-BAUM. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.
5. Discussion was held regarding Bill No. 040621-A: AN ORDINANCE TO EFFECT RECLASSIFICATION OF A CERTAIN TRACT OF LAND PURSUANT TO RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE KNOB NOSTER PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION (411 North Madison Street) to its first reading, by title only, was made by ALDERMAN LIECHTI and was seconded by ALDERMAN BABINEAUX.

Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.

Discussion was held.

Mayor Morton had the City Clerk present the bill.

Motion to pass Bill No. 040621-A to its second reading, by title only, and conduct a roll call vote was made by ALDERMAN THOMAS and seconded by ALDERMAN THERING.

Roll Call Vote

Alderman Liechti Aye

Alderman Thering Aye

Alderman Babineaux Aye

Alderman Stauffer-Baum Aye

Alderman Thomas Aye

Alderman Charrette Aye

Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays. Ordinance No. 854 was assigned.

1. Motion was made to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. by ALDERMAN BABINEAUX and was seconded by ALDERMAN THOMAS. Motion carried 6 ayes to 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted by,

AMY M. SCHOUTEN,

Knob Noster City Clerk