

CITY OF KNOB NOSTER
Board of Aldermen Session
Meeting Minutes
October 1, 2019

1. MAYOR MORTON called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance. ALDERMAN BABINEAUX, COHEN, DUDTE, LIECHTI and THERING were present. A quorum was verified.
2. The September 17, 2019, meeting minutes were reviewed by the Board of Aldermen.
3. The Board of Aldermen reviewed the bill list.
4. ALDERMAN DUDTE questioned when hydrant testing would take place in Knob Noster. The Public Works Director stated that it would be 10 hydrants on October 9 at 9:00 a.m. ALDERMAN THERING stated that Knobtober Fest will be October 5, 2019, from 10am to 3pm and Hot Rods for Heroes would be participating. There will be a rain date for HRFH for October 12, 2019, for patron safety. ALDERMAN LIECHTI stated his support for City Administrator, Luke Lewis. He shared that, originally, he voted no to hire Mr. Lewis and was overruled by the other ALDERMEN. Once he got to know Mr. Lewis and his plans to push the City forward with road improvements, wastewater treatment, Town Hall meetings to engage the citizenry, pay raises for the Police Department and fiscal growth for our City, he is fully on board and excited to be a part of this Board. He also reiterated to employees and citizens that anyone can request a meeting with an Alderman. MAYOR MORTON reiterated his excitement for Knobtober Fest on Saturday and entreated all to come. He thanked Bart and Lori Amsbaugh for their continued support of law enforcement and emergency services by donating all proceeds from Hot Rods for Heroes to their departments. He also thanked the City's sister squadron, 509th MXS for their support of Knob Noster events. BCC will be on Wednesday, October 9, 2019, from 12:00-1:00p.m. and he inquired who will attend. ALDERMAN THERING, LIECHTI, AND DUDTE, along with City Administrator, are planning to attend. Utility Clerk, Trisha Wilcox, relayed to the Board that the new water reconnection fee of \$75.00 has been instituted. The City of Knob Noster's new website is in its final phase with a rollout to be sometime in November, 2019. BUILDING INSPECTOR Bart Amsbaugh relayed the progress of the Washington Street Project. He also stated that in September, 2019, he had sold 14 new home building permits and the new Physical Therapy building was progressing nicely. CHIEF KNISKERN stated that he had been searching for owners to abandoned properties, given tall grass tickets and his department was actively monitoring McPherson Street speeders. He stated the Drug Take Back day would be October 26, 2019, from 10:00 a.m to 2:00 p.m. FIRE CHIEF Rick Johnson relayed that his department had helped with Homecoming week with the parade, the bonfire and the football game. He stated that October 7-12, 2019, is Fire Prevention week and the firefighters had many visits planned that week to encourage fire safety. He stated that Santa Comes to Town would be December 14, 2019. Ben Fundaburg stated that the 3 new AED's had been received and were available for use. The Medical Marijuana Committee had submitted their ideas to the Planning and Zoning Commission for review. The Park Board's first meeting will be October 7, 2019, to establish by-laws. The Planning and Zoning Commission stated that a Public Hearing for a rezoning application will be October 14, 2019, at 6:00p.m. and the Medical Marijuana items would be addressed at their October 22, 2019, meeting.
5. City Administrator's Report.
6. There was no public participation
7. Assistant Fire Chief Ben Fundaburg made presentation regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement between Johnson County Fire Protection District and the Knob Noster Fire Department. He stated that out of 48 calls in September, their Volunteer Fire Department had only missed 2 calls. With only 13 volunteers, of which 10 volunteers are active, the department has done very well. This agreement would aid the KNFD greatly. Motion was made to have the Mayor sign the Mutual Aid Agreement by ALDERMAN BABINEAUX and was seconded by ALDERMAN COHEN.

Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

8. Presentation was made by Ms. Jodi Bissell of the Blue Plate Café regarding the Knob Noster Farmer's Market. She handed out a newsletter. The Friends of the Market is a community outreach program from the Blue Plate Café to unify the cooperating business in Knob Noster in order to promote economic growth. This is a way to unite the local participating businesses and agricultural community with Whiteman AFB. She requests that Thursday's in Knob Noster be slated as "Friends of the Market Day". The ALDERMEN stated they would take it under advisement.
9. Discussion was held regarding the Liquor License submitted by Wade and Kristy Meyer of the Magnolia Room at 107 N. State Street. They had requested intoxicating liquor by the drink but realized that, in order to have this license, they must have \$75,000.00 in food sales. They don't feel that they will sell that much so they wish to drop their license to Malt Liquor and Light Wines by the Drink. Motion was made by ALDERMAN COHEN to approve the license with a second by ALDERMAN COHEN.

Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

10. Motion was made to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. by ALDERMAN COHEN and was seconded by ALDERMAN LIECHTI.

Motion carried 5 ayes to 0 nays.

Respectfully submitted by,

AMY M. SCHOUTEN,
Knob Noster City Clerk