MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF TWIN OAKS, TWIN OAKS TOWN HALL ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2022

Mayor Russ Fortune called the meeting of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken:

Mayor:

Russ Fortune – yea

Aldermen:

April Milne – yea

Lisa Eisenhauer – yea

Dennis Whitmore – yea

Tim Stoeckl -yea

Also Present: Frank Johnson, City Clerk/Administrator

Paul Rost, City Attorney

Jeff Blume, Financial Consultant

Permanent records are kept of all minutes and ordinances. Each ordinance is read a minimum of two times by title, unless otherwise noted.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Russ Fortune asked if there were any additions or changes to the Agenda. There being no changes, Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Alderman Lisa Eisenhauer so motioned and seconded by Alderman Dennis Whitmore. The motion passed by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Regular Meeting Minutes from October 5, 2022; the Bills list from October 1 through October 14, 2022; and the Credit Card List from September 1 through September 30, 2022. Alderman April Milne motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer. The motion passed by a voice vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONTRACTORS

Park Committee: Chairman Joe Krewson presented the Park Committee report. Mr. Krewson presented the Board with the proposed Park Events and dates for 2023. Bingo/Chili Evening, Easter Egg Hunt, and Concerts will remain the same. The Park Committee proposed new dates for Family Fun Day and National Night Out (NNO). Dates submitted are Family Fun Day, Sept. 23, 2023 and NNO, Oct. 10, 2023. Moving Family Fun Day was recommended to avoid Homecoming with area schools. There were parking issues at Family Fun Day this year due to the popularity of this event and the addition of Homecoming activities. The Park Committee reviewed the Family

Fun Day activities and suggested adding additional face painter and balloon artist next year to help the lines move more efficiently. The Park Committee is also looking at the calendar to add an additional Movie Night to the Park Events, possibly in conjunction with NNO. The Board discussed the value of buying vs. renting the equipment needed for hosting a Movie Night in the Park. Mr. Krewson informed the Board that Water Play Day was eliminated from the Event schedule.

Alderman Milne attended the Park Committee meeting and presented an idea for installing a beginner 9 Hole Disk Golf course in the Park. The course would utilize a portion of the park, the area north of the basketball and volleyball courts and west of Hartzog Lane, with minimal impact and cost.

Mr. Krewson reminded the Board of the upcoming Christmas Lighting that will be held on Dec. 4 in the park pavilion. The next Park Committee meeting has been moved to Monday Nov. 7 due to schedule conflicts.

Financial Statements: Financial Consultant Jeff Blume reviewed the City's revenues and expenses through the month of September. Revenues are running above predicted budget. Mayor Russ Fortune and City Clerk/Administrator Johnson closed a number of old bank accounts that the City was maintaining and placed the funds into two City accounts. This consolidation will create a clearer, simpler accounting system. The City of Twin Oaks fund balance is \$1.4 million, placing the City in a strong financial position.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2022-24: A Resolution of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen Approving an Agreement with Davey Tree Expert Company for the Removal of Dead Trees in Twin Oaks Park. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the resolution. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson clarified that this contract is to clear the dead trees in Twin Oaks Park from the "Cow Pond" area behind the City-owned property at 50 Crescent Avenue. An RFP was sent out for this project and the City received two bids. Davey Tree Expert Company was selected as the lowest and best bid. Once the trees are cleared from this area the City can begin to prepare the area for public use as an additional space for the Park. Mayor Fortune asked for a second reading. Mayor Fortune asked for any additional question regarding Resolution No. 2022-24. Alderman Eisenhauer motioned to approve Resolution No. 2022-24, seconded by Alderman Tim Stoeckl and the motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

2023 Third of July Fireworks Display: City Clerk/Administrator Johnson presented to the Board J&M proposal for the 2023 Fireworks show. The proposal is identical to the price for the 2022

contract. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson reminded the Board of the contract that was signed by J&M in 2022 stating that the increased cost from \$26,000 to \$30,000 would be agreed upon for the 2022 show and that the cost would return to the previous contract of \$26,000 for 2023. Following a discussion the Board has instructed City Clerk/Administrator Johnson to gather costs from other Firework Companies.

Autumn Leaf Gate to Twin Oaks Park: City Clerk/Administrator Johnson returned to a previous discussion of the Autumn Leaf gate. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson presented to the Board an agreement with the Condominium HOA Board stating that signs need to be posted for the public to close the gate upon entering or exiting the park. Following a discussion, the Board instructed City Clerk/Administrator Johnson to install signs and have the gate fixed so that it closes but doesn't latch.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

There was no attorney's report at this time.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk/Administrator Johnson referred the Board to his written report and provided a summary of its contents. He informed the Board that the City's accountant is recommending a revision to the City's Capital Asset Policy, which would increase the threshold for capitalizing non-infrastructure assets from \$1,500 to \$5,000. An ordinance approving the change will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

MAYOR & ALDERMEN COMMENTS

Mayor Fortune informed the Board that he will be attending the November second meeting via zoom. He will be recovering from hip surgery and be unable to attend in person. Mayor Fortune did inquire about the progress of Ace Hardware renovations. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson confirmed that all design updates have been approved and that construction has resumed.

Alderman Eisenhauer informed the Board that she will be absent on the November second meeting.

Alderman Whitmore remarked about the lights on the Schnucks building are not illuminated. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson has been in contact with both Schnucks and DESCO regarding the lighting. The Schnucks management has informed City Clerk/Administrator Johnson that a work order has been submitted to Schnucks corporate office.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

Jeff Graves asked if the City was still issuing Commercial Photography Permits. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson confirmed that there have been permits issued.

CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to move into Closed Session. Alderman Whitmore motioned to move into closed session, seconded by Alderman Milne. Upon a motion duly made and approved, the Board of Aldermen intends to go into closed session at 7:59 p.m. pursuant to Chapter 610 RSMo for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to the following: legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or it representatives and its attorneys (610.021(1) RSMo.). The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Milne-yea, Alderman Whitmore-yea, Alderman Stoeckl-yea and Alderman Eisenhauer-yea.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board return to regular session, at 8:45 pm. There being no further business Mayor Fortune ask for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Milne so motioned, seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer and the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:46 pm.

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Assistant City Clerk

Date of Approval: 11-2-22

ATTEST:

Frank Johnson

City Clerk/Administrator

Russ Fortune,

Mayor, Board of Aldermen