

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING-PUBLIC HEARING OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF TWIN OAKS,
TWIN OAKS TOWN HALL
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020**

The meeting of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen was called to order at 7:00 pm. Roll Call was taken:

Mayor: Russ Fortune-yea

Aldermen: April Milne –yea
Dennis Whitmore –yea

Lisa Eisenhauer – yea
Tim Stoeckl – yea

Also Present: Theresa Gonzales, Acting City Clerk
Paul Rost, City Attorney

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 Fortune asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Hearing none, Alderman Milne motioned to approve the Agenda, seconded by Alderman Whitmore. The motion passed by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Fortune asked if there were any changes to the Consent Agenda consisting of the December 4, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, December 19, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes, December 30, 2019 Regular Meeting Minutes and the Bills for Approval from December 31, 2019 through January 8, 2020. Alderman Stoeckl motioned to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer. The motion passed by voice vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONTRACTORS

YTD Project Summary: Acting City Clerk Gonzales reviewed the progress on existing City projects. The Park Lake project has been completed. The project is not closed out by St. Louis County, however until grass is covering the pit. The final payment has been made to Gerstner Electric. The final paperwork has been sent to Commerce for reimbursement for their portion of the lighting

Police Report: Mayor Fortune stated that Thursday, January 9th was Police Officer Appreciation Day. He thanked Officer Wehner for his service to Twin Oaks and the Community. He shared an incident which reflected Officer Wehner's dedication to the Twin Oaks community.

Officer Wehner reviewed the December Police Report and his hours on the bike. He also reviewed the yearly totals of police calls within the community. He stated he is looking in to developing a Community Camera program within Twin Oaks. This is a voluntary program to assist the City and St. Louis County in neighborhood crime resolution

PRELIMINARY CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS

Crescent Road Triangle: John Williams, Public Works, presented a power point presentation on the work proposed at the Crescent Road Triangle located off Crescent Road. He reviewed what will be cleared and the proposed plantings in that area. Mr. Williams stated that approximately 11 trees have been proposed for this area, however they do not all need to be planted at one time. He also said that the condo association has given permission to use water from their area.

Alderman Milne stated that she would like to see some kind of bridge over the culvert in that area.

Alderman Stoeckl asked if they the terrain will be leveled out in the process. Mr. Williams said that they will not be doing any leveling of the ground.

Mayor Fortune stated that he would like for DJM to look at the area along Crescent Road. The existing trees are beginning to lean into the road and he would like to see what their proposal for that area would include.

Review of Crescent Avenue Walk-a-Bout: Mayor Fortune reviewed the walk-a-bout with Weis Design Group concerning the proposed sidewalk along Crescent Avenue. Mayor Fortune stated that he did speak with Mr. Young about running the sidewalk along the Valley Park side of Crescent Avenue, which would put the sidewalk on Mr. Young's property. Mr. Young is not interested in having the sidewalk on his property at this time.

Mayor Fortune stated that the other option is to put the sidewalk along the Twin Oaks side of Crescent Avenue. This, however would involve moving telephone poles which is a large expense and Mayor Fortune is not sure there is enough room to move the poles and put the sidewalk in without acquiring property from the residents along Crescent Avenue.

The City is waiting on a list of what Weiss Design Group will need from the City to proceed with the grant application for the sidewalk project.

Banners For Intersection: Mayor Fortune stated the specs for the light pole banners at the intersection provided by Stephanie Woodcock did not recommend the banners be made of metal rather a vinyl material. Alderman Eisenhower pointed out that from the specs the material would only last for a year and would need to be replaced. Alderman Milne would like to look into the metal banners more. She had found several sites that did show metal banners. The Board was in agreement and Acting City Clerk Gonzales will check into these options.

NEW BUSINESS

City Administrator Job Description: The Board reviewed the revised City Administrator job description. Discussion ensued. The Board was in agreement to change the job title to City Clerk. Also, Mayor Fortune proposed changing “10 years of experience” to “experience”. The Board was in agreement.

Alderman Milne would like to include that the position requires attendance at all City events. The Board was in agreement.

Park Committee Appointment: Mayor Fortune stated that several of the Park Committee members went to visit Carol Boughman and she is doing well. During her absence Mayor Fortune would like to appoint Lana Stoeckl as interim member of the Park Committee during Ms. Boughman’s absence. The Board was in agreement.

SPECIAL DISCUSSION

Attorney’s Report: Attorney Rost stated there was nothing to report at this time. Alderman Eisenhower asked what the City should do on the recent change on the tobacco law changing the legal age to 21. Attorney Rost stated that the State Statute did not change so his recommendation was that the City keep the code as it reads today. Alderman Eisenhower stated that General Code will insert a note in the codebook to reflect the same.

Mayor and Aldermen Comments: Alderman Whitmore stated that during his trip to Hawaii they had the crosswalk signs he had spoken of in the past. He would like to pursue these for Twin Oaks. The Board was in agreement and Aldermen Whitmore and Milne will meet with a representative from the Company that sells these signs.

Mayor Fortune stated he would like to move the Wednesday, January 22nd meeting to Tuesday, January 21st. The Board was in agreement. The meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. at City Hall.

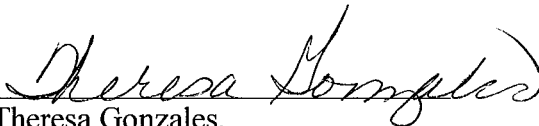
FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no final citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

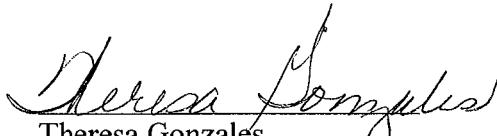
There being no further business, Alderman Whitmore motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:33p.m., seconded by Alderman Eisenhower and the motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Board of those present.


Drafted By:


Theresa Gonzales,
Acting City Clerk

Date of Approval: 1-21-2020

ATTEST:


Theresa Gonzales,
Acting City Clerk


Russ Fortune,
Mayor, Board of Aldermen