

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF TWIN OAKS,  
TWIN OAKS TOWN HALL  
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021**

The meeting of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen was called to order at 7:05 pm. Roll Call was taken:

Mayor: Russ Fortune – yea

Aldermen: April Milne – yea  
Dennis Whitmore – yea

Lisa Eisenhauer – yea  
Tim Stoeckl – yea

Also Present: Frank Johnson, 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 April 28, 2021 Work Session Minutes, the April 28, 2021 Regular Session Minutes and the Bills List from April 24, 2021 to April 30, 2021. Alderman Whitmore had a question concerning the Bills List. Alderman Stoeckl motioned to approve the Consent Agenda seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer. The motion passed by voice vote.

**REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONTRACTORS**

**Police Report:** Officer John Wehner reviewed the April Police Report as well as the hours he logged on the bike for April. Drug Take Day was a success. The drop-off at City Hall collected the largest amount in the area.

**Park Report:** Alderman Stoeckl stated that Cindy Slama had retired as Park Chairman and the Park Committee. He thanked her for all of her contributions to the Committee over

the past years. He stated that the Committee is continuing to work on Family Fun day and securing activities for the day.

### **PRELIMINARY CITIZEN COMMENTS**

There were no Preliminary Citizen Comments.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Resolution 2021-12-A Resolution Of The Twin Oaks Board Of Aldermen Approving An Agreement With Vince Martin For Musical Entertainment During the 2021 Concert In Twin Oaks Park:** Mayor Fortune asked for any questions concerning Resolution 2021-12. Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2021-12. Alderman Whitmore motioned to approve Resolution 2021-12, seconded by Alderman Milne. The motion passed by voice vote of four yes, zero no.

**Resolution 2021-13-A Resolution Of The Twin Oaks Board Of Aldermen Approving An Agreement With Topps Paving And Sealing LLC For Street Excavation and Repair:** Mayor Fortune asked for any questions concerning Resolution 2021-13. Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2021-13. Alderman Eisenhauer motioned to approve Resolution 2021-13, seconded by Alderman Whitmore. The motion passed by voice vote of four yes, zero no.

**Committee/Commission Reappointments:** City Clerk Johnson stated that he reviewed the committee/commission appointments and some of the appointments will not be for a full term so the member's terms expire on a staggered basis.

Mayor Fortune put forth to the Board the following names for reappointment to their particular committee or commission:

Mary Lou Knox – Park Committee, term to expire in May 2024

Ray Slama – Planning & Zoning Commission, term to expire in May 2023

Frank Venturella – Planning & Zoning Commission, term to expire in May 2024

Alderman Whitmore motioned to accept the renewals of these positions, seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer. The motion passed by voice vote.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Commercial Activity And Facility Reservations In The Park:** City Clerk Johnson stated that we had a request from someone who had reserved the Pavilion in the Park about having an ice cream truck for those attending their event. Only those attending the pavilion event could purchase from the vendor. City Clerk Johnson wanted to get clarification from the Board about the policy of no commercial activity in the Park.

The Board was in agreement that the intent of the policy would not allow vendors selling products at pavilion events. Other regulations of the Park also would not allow vendors in the Park.

The County had come out with their new guidelines on gatherings. These guidelines in some respects were not clear as they would relate to the Community Room at City Hall. City Clerk Johnson stated that he along with Mayor Fortune arrived at 35 people maximum who could attend an event at City Hall at this time.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Rost reported that the Planning & Zoning Commission approved the recommendation of expanding the Commission to nine members. The ordinance will be ready for approval at the next Board meeting.

### **CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

#### **General Updates**

##### **Playground Guidelines**

- The COVID guidelines for use of the playground and other park facilities have been updated to reflect the latest guidance from the CDC. The updated policy has been posted on the website and at the bulletin board at the park. Staff is also working to create revised versions of the yard signs by the playground as well.

##### **Crescent Road Footbridge**

- The recent heavy rains washed the bridge away. The water level was high enough that it floated the bridge downstream. Maintenance Supervisor John Williams contracted Jason Sohn on Wednesday to move the bridge over to a common area on Laws Ct. (with permission). It will be reinstalled and raised up to protect against further wash outs.

##### **Financial Consultant Search**

- Staff will be reaching out to the Government Finance Officers Association as well as other municipalities to compile a list of potential accounting firms. These firms will then be contacted for informal interviews. Staff will also work on drafting an agreement or contract outlining the accounting services required by the City.

#### **Project Updates**

##### **Curb Repairs for Autumn Leaf**

- The curb repair work in the condominiums on Autumn Leaf is scheduled for May 2-3.

### **Concrete Pad Replacements**

- The replacement of the sinking concrete bench pads in the park is scheduled for May 4.

### **Electrical Repairs in the Park**

- Maintenance Supervisor John Williams met with an electrician from J. Bathe Electric on April 30 to troubleshoot the wiring in the park. The electrician was able to identify and fix several issues at a low-than-anticipated cost of \$409.
- Williams believes that this may have solved the main problems we were experiencing with the park's electrical systems and recommends monitoring the system's performance before doing any further work.

### **Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church Berm**

- BFA is currently working on the additional items requested from St. Louis County and expects to have them delivered the week of May 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- The review process continues with County for the sitework permit. They have requested more additional information on April 19. BFA has talked with the County on what is required and feels it will be relatively simple to provide.
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City Clerk Johnson also explained the situation the City has been experiencing with Waste Management. The office has received several calls a week on reports of missed trash pickup. Also, notification of delayed pick up has not been done on a timely basis. In speaking with Paul Bickford of Waste Management, City Clerk Johnson learned that Waste Management is experiencing a shortage of drivers which is becoming a crisis situation. CDL drivers are in great demand at this time. Waste Management is making some changes to address this situation.

### **MAYOR AND ALDERMAN COMMENTS**

Mayor Fortune informed the Board that two weeks ago a tree fell during the later evening blocking the road on Autumn Leaf. He was very pleased to see how the residents came together along with John Williams, Public Works Director, to clear the road of the debris. Mayor Fortune did suggest that the City may want to look into a company to contract with for emergency tree service for situations that may arise in the future.

Alderman Eisenhower suggested doing something for the young man visiting in the neighborhood who helped cut up and remove the tree. The Board was in agreement. The office staff will take care of this request.

Mayor Fortune received an email from the assistant to Councilman Tim Fitch regarding the safety at Big Bend and Meramec Station Road. They are working on compiling data and will report their findings. Alderman Milne would like something sent out to the resident and public updating them on the progress.

Alderman Milne asked if there had been any resolution to the concern voiced from several residents at the apartments about the loud vehicles on 141 and the letter sent to the office regarding the wrong way traffic on Crescent Road. City Clerk Johnson stated he had phoned the resident at the apartments and explained the situation. Also, the letter that was sent to City Hall was anonymous so he was unable to address the concern.

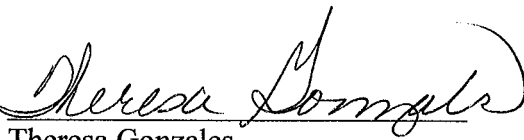
### FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

Joe Krewson of 90 Crescent Avenue stated that he knows others are against the sidewalk along Crescent Avenue however he is glad to see the City doing a City wide project such as sidewalks. He is happy with the prospect of a sidewalk along this area.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Alderman Whitmore motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:46 p.m., seconded by Alderman Milne and the motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Board of those present.

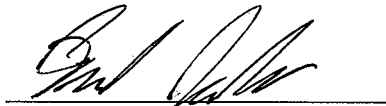
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Date of Approval: 5-29-2021

ATTEST:



Frank Johnson  
City Clerk



Russ Fortune,  
Mayor, Board of Aldermen