

DOR has informed the City that the error should be corrected with December's deposits. The City also expects to receive some of the back taxes owed from the mistake.

Because of this, Mr. Blume recommended that the Board hold off on the formal adoption of the budget until later in the month when the City has the full sales tax picture for the year. After some discussion, the Board decided to plan for meeting on December 28th to adopt the budget.

Following this discussion, Mr. Blume provided an overview of the revenues and expenses in the 2022 budget. He stated that the increases in expenditures are based on what the City believes inflation will do, particularly for the City's operating costs. However, the City is also budgeting for a decrease in repairs/maintenance and capital expenditures.

There being no further questions or discussion, Mayor Fortune stated that the Public Hearing would be held open until the Board meets to formally adopt the budget at a special session on December 28.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONTRACTORS

Police Report-Officer John Wehner: Officer Wehner reviewed the November Police Report. No crimes were reported. Alderman Whitmore asked about a recent traffic backup at Big Bend Road and Highway 141. Officer Wehner stated that he was notified about the issue when it occurred and dispatch relayed the problem to MoDOT.

Park Committee: Alderman Stoeckl reported that the Park Committee Russ Fortune stated that he had received a resignation letter from Mary Lou Knox. He thanked her on behalf of the City for her service to Twin Oaks and the Park. The Board also briefly discussed the winter lighting event, which is set for Dec. 5, and a potential citywide holiday lighting contest.

Financial Statements-Jeff Blume: Mr. Blume review the financial statements for October. He reported that revenues and expenses are tracking pretty closely with what was anticipated.

PRELIMINARY CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no preliminary citizen comments.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill No. 21-20- An ordinance of the City of Twin Oaks, Missouri, imposing a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate equal to the total local sales taxes in effect for the privilege of storing, using or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of sections

144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced or raised in the same amount as any City sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised; and providing for submission of the proposal to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the general election called and to be held in the City on April 5, 2022: First reading of Bill No. 21-20 was read. Mayor Fortune asked if there were any questions concerning Bill No. 21-20. The second reading of Bill No. 21-20 was read. Alderman Whitmore motioned to approve Bill No. 21-20, seconded by Alderman Eisenhower and the motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Aldermen Milne-yea, Eisenhower-yea Whitmore-yea and Stoeckl-yea. Mayor Fortune stated that Bill No. 21-20 being duly passed by a vote of 4 yeas and 0 nays becomes Ordinance No. 21-20.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 21-21- An ordinance of the City of Twin Oaks, Missouri, approving a lot consolidation plat and directing that same be recorded with the St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds. First reading of Bill No. 21-21 was read. Mayor Fortune asked if there were any questions concerning Bill No. 21-21. The second reading of Bill No. 21-21 was read. Alderman Milne motioned to approve Bill No. 21-21, seconded by Alderman Eisenhower and the motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Aldermen Milne-yea, Eisenhower-yea Whitmore-yea and Stoeckl-yea. Mayor Fortune stated that Bill No. 21-21 being duly passed by a vote of 4 yeas and 0 nays becomes Ordinance No. 21-21.

Bill No. 21-22- An ordinance correcting the unintentional removal of the Parental Leave Benefit from the City of Twin Oaks' Personnel Policy. First reading of Bill No. 21-22 was read. Mayor Fortune asked if there were any questions concerning Bill No. 21-22. The second reading of Bill No. 21-22 was read. Alderman Eisenhower motioned to approve Bill No. 21-22, seconded by Alderman Milne and the motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Aldermen Milne-yea, Eisenhower-yea Whitmore-yea and Stoeckl-yea. Mayor Fortune stated that Bill No. 21-22 being duly passed by a vote of 4 yeas and 0 nays becomes Ordinance No. 21-22.

Resolution No. 2021-29- A resolution approving and authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Omni Tree Service, Inc. for on-call emergency tree services. Mayor Fortune asked for any questions concerning Resolution 2021-29. Several members of the board stated that they were concerned by the 12-hour callback time in the contract. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson stated that the contract did not mandate that they use Omni if quicker service is needed. Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2021-29. Alderman Milne motioned to approve Resolution 2021-27, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl. The motion passed by voice vote of four yes, zero no.

Resolution No. 2021-30- A resolution approving and authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with Focal Pointe Outdoor Solutions, Inc. for mulching services. Mayor Fortune asked for any questions concerning Resolution 2021-30. Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2021-30. Alderman Eisenhower motioned to approve

Resolution 2021-30, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl. The motion passed by voice vote of four yes, zero no.

Resolution No. 2021-31- A resolution of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen approving an agreement with Davey Tree Expert Company for the removal of a Box Elder tree in Twin Oaks Park. Mayor Fortune asked for any questions concerning Resolution 2021-30. Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2021-31. Alderman Stoeckl motioned to approve Resolution 2021-31, seconded by Alderman Eisenhower. The motion passed by voice vote of four yes, zero no.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Sewer Lateral Program: City Clerk/Administrator Johnson reviewed the proposed changes to the sewer lateral program based on the discussion at the previous board meeting. The changes consist of setting a maximum reimbursement amount of \$5,000.00; requiring applicants to get three bids for the sewer lateral repair; requiring an employee of the city to be present when a sewer line is videoed to verify the break; removing the language and policy around “pre-approved diagnostics”; and streamlining the administrative process. He stated that this changes will be further reviewed by the City Attorney and incorporated into an ordinance for Board approval at their next meeting.

Ordinance No. 21-21: Mayor Fortune announced that the Lashley’s were present via Zoom, and informed them that the Board had approved their boundary adjustment. The Lashley’s thanked the board for their approval of the consolidation.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

There was no attorney’s report this week.

CITY CLERK REPORT

General Updates

Ace Hardware

- Received comments on preliminary development application from BFA on Nov. 19 and forwarded to Inland Realty and Ace Hardware. They are currently working on responses and additional information.

Assistant Clerk Position

- An offer has been accepted for this position with a tentative start date of Dec. 20. More information will be shared once the candidate has submitted their resignation to their employer.

2022 Twin Oaks Calendar

- The redesign of the calendar has been completed. Production and printing should be finished within the next few weeks.

Twin Oaks Pedestrian Park Facebook Page

- The resident who maintained the Twin Oaks Pedestrian Park Facebook page has recently moved out of the City. If you are aware of another resident or member of the park committee who would be interested in taking over the management of the page, please let me know.

Winter Lighting

- The annual winter lighting event is this Sunday, December 5, from 6 to 8 p.m., in Twin Oaks Park with carolers and hot chocolate.

Project Updates

RFP for 2022 Mulching Services

- The City received two responses to an RFP issued for mulching services for 2022. The RFP was sent directly to three contractors and distributed via the St. Louis Countian, the city website, email list, and social media.

MAYOR AND ALDERMAN COMMENTS

Mayor Fortune stated that the biggest challenge with the adopting the use tax will be education. He stated that the Missouri Municipal League has prepared materials that cities can use to inform residents on the issue.

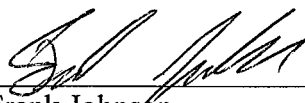
FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no final citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT


There being no further business, Alderman Milne motioned to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m., seconded by Alderman Eisenhauer and the motion passed with the unanimous consent of the Board of those present.

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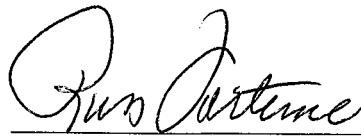

Frank Johnson
City Clerk/Administrator

Date of Approval: _____

ATTEST:



Frank Johnson
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Russ Fortune,
Mayor, Board of Aldermen