

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

Also Present: Frank Johnson, City Clerk/Administrator
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 Russ Fortune asked if there were any additions or changes to the Agenda. Mayor Fortune spoke briefly on the success of the Family Fun Day event on October 1, 2022. This event was well attended, and he thanked everyone involved for their work. Mayor Fortune thanked Alderman Dennis Whitmore for running the September 21, 2022 Board of Alderman meeting in his absence. There being no changes, Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Alderman Whitmore so motioned and seconded by Alderman Lisa Eisenhauer. 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 the Work Session Minutes from September 21, 2022; Regular Meeting Minutes from September 21, 2022; Closed Meeting Minutes from September 21, 2022; and the Bills list from September 17 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

Police Report: Officer John Wehner introduced the new West Precinct Sergeant, William Garrett, to the Board of Aldermen and Mayor Russ Fortune. Sargent Garrett is excited to be serving the West County area in his new role. Officer Wehner summarized the police activity for the month of September, including radio calls, written reports, traffic stops, crimes and auto accidents.

Officer Wehner announced that the police would be holding a Drug Take Back Event on October 29, 2022 at City Hall from 10 am to 1 pm. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson asked if the Police Department would be supplying informational material to announce this event. Officer Wehner will be checking with the Department to see if there will be promotional material available. Alderman Milne asked for clarification on the reported auto accidents on Meremac Station Road. Officer Wehner answered all questions and confirmed he will have a detailed report at the end of the year regarding the auto accidents in Twin Oaks.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Bev Lavender was in attendance but had no comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 22-23: An Ordinance Amending Twin Oaks Municipal Code Section 210.720 Relating to Obstruction Public Places. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the Bill. City Attorney, Paul Roast explained that the proposed changes stem from a lawsuit between University City, the Loop and street musicians. The lawsuit stated that business were made inaccessible due to the street musicians playing on the sidewalks and blocking the store fronts. The Court ruled that the University City's ordinance wasn't clear on what constitutes an obstruction. This amended ordinance will clarify similar language in the Twin Oaks municipal code. Mayor Fortune asked for any questions regarding Bill No. 22-23. Alderman Milne asked if this ordinance would apply to protests. Mr. Roast responded that it could potentially apply in those circumstances. Mayor Fortune requested that City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the bill a second time. Alderman Whitmore motioned to approve Bill No. 22-23, seconded by Alderman Milne. The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Milne-yea, Alderman Whitmore-yea, Alderman Eisenhauer-yea, and Alderman Stoeckl-absent. Mayor Fortune stated that Bill No 22-23 being duly passed; becomes Ordinance No 22-23.

Resolution No. 2022-23: A Resolution of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen Approving an Agreement with Crowder Construction, Inc., for the Removal and Replacement of Sidewalk Located at the Intersection of Big Bend Road and Highway 141. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the resolution. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson stated that this issue was brought to the Boards attention at the previous meeting. There is a section of sidewalk that has become a trip hazard. This section is located on the off ramp onto Big Bend Rd from Highway 141 and is the City of Twin Oaks responsibility to maintain. Mayor Fortune asked for any questions regarding Resolution No. 2022-23. Mayor Fortune asked for a second reading. Alderman Eisenhauer motioned to approve Resolution No. 2022-23, seconded by Alderman Whitmore, and the motion passed by a voice vote of three yeas and one absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- There were no Discussion Items on the agenda for this meeting.

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 stated that an issue with the permit approval from the West County Fire District for the Ace Hardware development had caused the renovation work to be temporarily halted, but it is close to being resolved. Mayor Fortune thanked City Clerk/Administrator Johnson for his efforts in working with both parties to get the problem addressed. He also reported that the City is still waiting on the state agency that oversees court administration to issue a location code for the Twin Oaks Municipal Court.

MAYOR & ALDERMEN COMMENTS

Mayor Fortune spoke about his recent trip to Canada and thanked the Board for their hard work on the Capital Budget. Mayor Fortune requested the Board consider replacing the existing gate on the service road in the park with a motorized gate. Mayor Fortune noted that the Park staff spend a lot of time opening and closing that gate and thought that an automatic gate would be well received. Following a discussion the Board instructed City Clerk/Administrator Johnson to gather cost for motorized gates and electrical installation for the Board to consider.

Alderman Whitmore mentioned that the urinal in the men's restroom in the Twin Oaks Park was continually running and needs attention to fix the issue. Alderman Whitmore stated that the Autumn Leaf gate isn't closing automatically. Alderman Whitmore asked that Chesterfield Fence Co. be contacted to realign the gate so that it will close. There is a trip hazard on the path around the upper pond that needs to be evaluated. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson will have the Park staff assess this hazard.

Alderman Eisenhower spoke about Family Fun Day and thanked everyone for their hard work. The event was well attended and everyone had a wonderful time. Alderman Eisenhower mentioned that the vendors that were contracted for the bungee jump and bounce houses were wonderful. Having a staff that set up and stayed at the event made everything run smoother than in previous years. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson added that the company, Game World Event Services, were easy to work with from the administrative point of view.

Alderman Milne mentioned that she likes the look of the fence pickets used to block the bridge in the Park. Alderman Milne stated that she has heard from a number of people that like the Autumn Leaf gate being open and suggested that the gate only be used at times to close the Park. Following a discussion the Board is asking the Park Committee to make the determination on if the gate should be open or closed.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no final citizen comments.

ADJOURNMENT

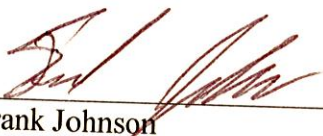
There being no further business Mayor Fortune asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Eisenhower so motioned, seconded by Aldermen Milne and the regular meeting was adjourned at 7:24 pm.

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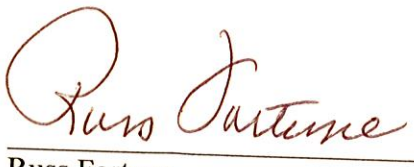
Paula Dries
Assistant City Clerk

Date of Approval: _____

ATTEST:



Frank Johnson
City Clerk/Administrator



Russ Fortune,
Mayor, Board of Aldermen