

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF TWIN OAKS,
TWIN OAKS TOWN HALL
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2022**

Alderman Dennis Whitmore called the meeting of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken:

Mayor: Russ Fortune – via zoom

Aldermen:	April Milne – yea	Lisa Eisenhauer – absent
	Dennis Whitmore – yea	Tim Stoeckl – yea

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

Alderman Whitmore asked if there were any additions or changes to the Agenda. There being no changes, Alderman Whitmore asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Alderman Tim Stoeckl so motioned and seconded by Alderman April Milne. The motion passed by a voice vote.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Alderman Whitmore asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of Regular Meeting Minutes from October 19, 2022; the Work Session Minutes from October 19, 2022; Closed Session Minutes from October 19, 2022; and the Bills list from October 15 through October 28, 2022. Alderman Milne motioned to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl. The motion passed by a voice vote.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/CONTRACTORS

Police Report: Officer John Wehner summarized the police activity for the month of October, including radio calls, written reports, traffic stops, crimes and auto accidents. Auto accidents were reported to be down significantly for the month. Officer Wehner reported that Twin Oaks Drug Take Back Day collected over 19 pounds of outdated prescriptions. This collection amount was larger than the precinct collection for the same day.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill No. 2022-24: An Ordinance Providing for the Holding of the General Election for Twin Oaks, Missouri, on April 4, 2023. City Clerk/Administrator Frank Johnson stated this bill is the yearly approval to officially hold elections in the City of Twin Oaks. The ballot for April 2023 will have elections for two Aldermanic seats and the office of Mayor. These positions are each elected for two-year terms. Alderman Whitmore requested that City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the bill a second time. Alderman Milne motioned to approve Bill No. 22-24, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl. The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Milne-yea, Alderman Whitmore-yea, Alderman Stoeckl-yea, and Alderman Eisenhauer-absent. Alderman Whitmore stated that Bill No 22-24 being duly passed becomes Ordinance No 22-24.

Resolution No. 2022-25: A Resolution of the Twin Oaks Board of Aldermen approving an Agreement with Gamma Tree Services for the Removal of a Dead White Oak Tree in Twin Oaks Park. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson read the resolution. There is a large Oak tree that has died in Twin Oaks Park and needs to be removed. This tree is located at the north end of the basketball court. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson received three bids for the project and selected Gamma Tree Service as the lowest and best bid. Alderman Whitmore asked for any questions regarding Resolution No. 2022-25. Alderman Stoeckl motioned to approve Resolution No. 2022-25, seconded by Alderman Milne, and the motion passed by a voice vote of three yeas and one absent.

Resolution No. 2022-26: A Resolution Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Schaffer Electric Company for Electrical Services in Twin Oaks Park. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson stated that the outlets at the entrance and exit gates to the park from Golden Oak Court are no longer functional and need to be replaced. The electrical work will add lighting to the area making the park safer for all patrons. Having the access to electricity will also support park events.. Alderman Whitmore asked if there were any additional questions. Alderman Milne asked if there was a timeline for completion. City Clerk/Administrator commented there wasn't a hard time line but that the work would likely be completed before the end of the year. Alderman Milne motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-26, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl, and the motion passed by a voice vote of three yeas and one absent.

Resolution No. 2022-27: A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the city of Twin Oaks Capital Assets Policy. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson stated that, in consultation with the City's Auditor and Accountant, the City is seeking to revise its capital assets policy to raise the capitalization threshold for non-infrastructure assets from \$1,500 to \$5,000. Increasing this limit will give the City more flexibility in dealing with repair and maintenance expenses. In response to a question from Alderman Whitmore, City Clerk/Administrator Johnson clarified that the purchasing policy isn't affected, it only changes what is considered a Capitol Asset. Alderman

Whitmore asked for addition questions. Alderman Stoeckl motioned to approve Resolution No. 2022-27, seconded by Alderman Milne, and the motion passed by a voice vote of three yeas and one absent.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items at this time.

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 updated the Board on the assessment from LandCare concerning the bridge evaluation. Their engineer largely agreed with the report's findings, but stated that any repair/rehabilitation work is likely to be an "expensive band aid." They believe a replacement would be the most straightforward approach. The company also believes the City can expect the bids to come in higher than the cost estimate, due to the sharply rising costs of labor and other constructions costs.

MAYOR & ALDERMEN COMMENTS

Mayor Fortune stated that he is looking forward to returning to the Nov. 16 Board of Aldermen meeting. His surgery went well and he is feeling great.

Alderman Milne reminded the Board of early voting locations and requested that a notice for early election voting be sent out ahead of next year's elections. City Clerk/Administrator Johnson informed the Board that the City has printed handouts for anyone asking for locations of In-Person Absentee Voting.

FINAL CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no final citizen comments at this time.

CLOSED SESSION

Alderman Whitmore asked for a motion to move into Closed Session. Alderman Milne motioned to move into closed session, seconded by Alderman Stoeckl. Upon a motion duly made and approved, the Board of Aldermen intends to go into closed session at 7:34 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 its 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 Eisenhower-absent.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board return to regular session, at 8:20 pm. There being no further business Alderman Whitmore ask for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Milne so motioned, seconded by Aldermen Stoeckl and the regular meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Drafted By: _____



Paula Dries
Assistant City Clerk

Date of Approval: _____



ATTEST:



Frank Johnson
City Clerk/Administrator



Russ Fortune,
Mayor, Board of Aldermen