REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 610.021 (1) LITIGATION (2) REAL ESTATE AND (3), PERSONNEL - RsMO IF NECESSARY.

October 16, 2024 @ 6:00 pm 132 East Broadway City of New Franklin, MO

Present were as follows:

Mayor Daniel Yount
Alderwoman Ward I Rachel Hammers
Alderman Ward I Ricky Newell
Alderman Ward II
Alderman Ward II Seth Hallowell
Alderman Ward III Anthony Martin
Alderwoman Ward III Charli Leach
City Attorney Todd Smith
City Clerk Melissa Crowley
City Services Tom Gunn
Utility Clerk Shelley Shackelford

Guests present: Amanda Gunn and Shirley Bechtold

Mayor Yount called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Yount called for roll call 5 were in attendance. A quorum was established. City Attorney Todd Smith arrived at 6:19 p.m.

Mayor Yount called for approval of the agenda. Alderman Newell made a motion to accept the agenda of the October 16, 2024 and seconded by Alderwomen Leach. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Mayor Yount called for a motion to approve the minutes of September 9, 2024. Aldermen Martin made a correction of Alderman James Painter's last name was misspelled. Alderman Hallowell made a motion to approve the minutes of September 9, 2024 and seconded by Alderman Newell. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Mayor Yount called for a motion to approve the bills as of October 16, 2024. Alderman Martin made a motion to approve the bills as of October 16, 2024 and seconded by Alderwoman Hammers. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Public Comments: None

Old Business:

1. Utility Clerk Shelley Shackelford explained the cost of a new home construction water supplies was actually more around \$1000.00. (attached) Alderman Hallowell made a motion to keep the cost as wrote in the ordinance, \$600.00, and to charge for supplies and labor and to increase as costs for supplies increase and seconded by Alderman Newell. Motion carried with 4 ayes and 1 nay.

2. Utility Clerk Shelley Shackelford proposed a repayment agreement (attached) for people that have a high bill, due to a leak or other issues. City Attorney Todd Smith changed the wording on the last line to include: Pursuant to legally required period of three (3) days. Alderman Newell made a motion to approve the repayment agreement with the changes made and seconded by Alderwoman Hammers. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

New Business:

- 1. Mayor Yount requested the city reward citizens that find water leaks a credit on their water bill. Discussion of a \$25.00 credit on the water bill of a resident that finds a leak, reports it, and has been verified by City Services. Attorney Smith will draft an ordinance for approval at the next meeting.
- 2. Mayor Yount discussed the condition of the Katy Caboose. The Historical Society is helping the city by getting bids for the removal of the lead paint, repainting and putting on the new emblems. Shirley Bechtold stated someone was coming the next day to quote on the job.
- 3. Mayor Yount found a New Holland skid loader with new tires, cab, radial arm and bucket for \$27,000.00. Alderwoman Leach made a motion to purchase the skid loader at the cost of \$27,000.00 and seconded by Alderman Newell. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.
- 4. Alderman Martin discussed leasing out the top of the water tower to cell companies. The board agreed to pursue getting more information about leasing the top of the tower.

City Services: No report.

Mayor Yount called for a motion to adjourn and go into Closed Session. Alderman Hallowell made a motion to adjourn and go into Closed Session and seconded by Alderwoman Hammers. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Returned to open session with Mayor Yount, City Clerk Crowley, City Attorney Todd Smith and all 5 Aldermen.

Mayor Yount called for approval to give each employee a \$100.00 bonus for completing the Lead and Copper Inventory for MO DNR and FEMA by the day date. Alderman Martin made a motion to proceed with the bonus and seconded by Alderman Hallowell. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Attorney Todd Smith gave an update on the status of the derelict properties in town.

Mayor Yount called for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Newell made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Alderman Martin. Motion carried with all 5 ayes.

Daniel Yount, Mayor

Melissa Crowley, City Clerk