

**MINUTES**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**  
**Monday, March 9, 2009 – 7:00 P.M.**

MAYOR PAUL MARTI  
ALDERMAN CRAIG BACH  
ALDERWOMAN MAUREEN GRAVES  
ALDERMAN CHRIS GRAVILLE  
ALDERMAN ANDREW STEWART  
CITY TREASURER CHARLES FUNK  
CITY ATTORNEY HELMUT STARR  
INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR/CLERK DEBORAH LEMOINE

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER- by Mayor Marti at 7:00 p.m. at the Webster Groves Christian Church.

ROLL CALL- showed that all Board members were present.

APPROVAL OF THE February 9, 2009 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES- Mayor Marti asked if there were any comments regarding the February 9, 2009 Board of Aldermen minutes as submitted. There being none, Mayor Marti requested a motion for the approval of the minutes as submitted. Alderman Stewart so moved, seconded by Alderwoman Graves. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of the approval, with Alderman Graville abstaining because he had not been at the meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 2009 VOUCHER Treasurer Funk presented the finance report. The February voucher was reviewed. Alderwoman Graves asked that the Kirkwood Material bill be reviewed for accuracy. Subject to that review, Alderwoman Graves moved for the approval of the voucher, seconded by Alderman Graville. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the voucher.

CITIZEN COMMENTS- The resident at #3 Schultz requested, through earlier correspondence, that the City look into having a street light in front of his house moved or shielded. Ameren will be contacted regarding shielding the light.

A presentation was heard by an Eagle Scout Candidate who will work with SWT and the City Administrator to plan an Eagle project in the City parks. Scoutmaster Oldham also agreed that the Scouts would help with the planting of spring annuals in the City.

City Treasurer Funk excused himself from the meeting.

SPECIAL DISCUSSION (taken out of order by consent of the Board)

1. Holmes Avenue Update including approval of preliminary plan and discussion of easement issues. The Board heard a status update on the Holmes Avenue project and unanimously authorized the filing of the preliminary plan. It was agreed that Alderman

Bach and the City Administrator would meet with the engineering staff to begin to look at easement procedures.

2. Recommendations from Long Range Planning Committee, including possible City Survey. Recommendations from the Long Range Planning Committee were reviewed. Mayor Marti reviewed the culvert situation with the Board and various estimates for studies of potential repair needs. Alderman Graville moved to authorize the City Administrator and Mayor to retain Dan Wind to study the culvert and make recommendations per the proposal provided to the Mayor. The motion was approved 4-0. The potential merits of a city survey were then discussed. The Board recognized that a survey could be useful to assess support for a potential bond issue in the future. The Board agreed that the review of the culvert issue should be completed before moving forward with a survey.

Alderman Stewart excused himself from the meeting.

#### ORDINANCE NUMBER 768

AN ORDINANCE RENEWING AND EXISTING FRANCHISE AND GRANTING FOR A PERIOD OF TWENTY (20) YEARS TO UNION ELECTRIC COMPANY D/B/A AMERENUE, A CORPORATION, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, A NON-EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE, RIGHT, PERMISSION AND AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT, RECONSTRUCT, EXCAVATE FOR, PLACE, MAINTAIN, OPERATE, AND USE ALL EQUIPMENT, FACILITIES, DEVICES, MATERIALS, APPARATUS OR MEDIA INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO DUCTS, LINES, PIPES, HOSES, CABLES, CULVERTS, TUBES, POLES, TOWERS, WIRES, CONDUITS, CONDUCTORS, MANHOLES, TRANSFORMERS UNDERGROUND VAULTS, SWITCHGEAR, CAPACITORS, RECIEVERS AND TRANSMITTERS, WITH ALL NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE APPURTENANCES AND APPLIANCES IN CONNECTION THERWITH, IN, ALONG, ACROSS, OVER AND UNDER THE STREETS, ROADS, ALLEYS, SIDEWALKS, SQUARES, BRIDGES AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND AND AREAS DEDICATED TO THE CITY FOR PUBLIC UTILITY USE, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSMITTING, FURNISHING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRICITY WITHIN AND THROUGH SAID CITY, PRESCRIBING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH GRANT, IMPOSING CERTAIN OBLIGATIONS UPON THE GRANTEE, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, SUCCESSIVELY, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Alderman Graville moved for the first reading of the ordinance, Alderman Bach seconded the motion and Attorney Starr read the ordinance. Starr then explained that the current franchise expires in May and explained certain changes made to the agreement. A quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was tabled unanimously.

#### ORDINANCE NUMBER 769

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 14-398 OF THE TRAFFIC CODE TO PROHIBIT COMMERCIAL VEHICLE TRAFFIC IN THE CITY EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED LOCATIONS

Alderman Graville moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of the ordinance, Alderman Bach seconded the motion and Attorney Starr read the ordinance. Mayor Marti noted that signs limiting truck traffic had been ordered. A quorum was confirmed and the ordinance passed 3-0.

#### RESOLUTION 2009-03

#### A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, MISSOURI ENDORSING SAINT LOUIS COUNTY'S GRANT PROGRAM FOR RECYCLING EFFORTS AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO OBTAIN RECYCLING CARTS

Alderman Graville moved for the passage of the resolution, Alderman Bach seconded the motion and the Board expressed their support for increased recycling in the City and the need for 64 gallon carts. A quorum was confirmed and the resolution passed 3-0.

#### SPECIAL DISCUSSION (continued)

3. Discuss Projects for use of CDBG Funds. Final approval of the funding has not yet been received but the Board expressed a desire to use the funds for paving work in Loewnau Park.
4. Discuss establishment of estimated tax rate. Estimated tax rates are due on April 8, and the Board unanimously agreed to keep the tax rates/revenues as similar to years past as possible. The Board unanimously authorized the City Administrator to compile and submit the estimated tax rate with the input and approval of Alderman Stewart.
5. The City Administrator's Report was reviewed. The Board authorized Outdoor Solutions to do once weekly watering of trees and annuals and to begin maintaining mutt mitts dispensers at such time as a transition should be convenient. The Board agreed that SWT should manage the bidding of not only the irrigation project in Backstoppers Park partially funded by the grant, but also the landscaping of the monument in the Park. The Board asked the City Administrator to work with the Scouts to plan a flower planting day, with the City to purchase the flowers and volunteer Scouts to do the planting. The Board authorized Greg Hanser to do cold patch repair of potholes as needed on Argonne, Sappington, Frisco and Holmes pending a larger summer street project. The Board authorized the Court Clerk's attendance at the Court Clerk Conference and agreed to pay half the cost thereof (split with Warson Woods) as submitted. Fogging in the City was discussed and the City Administrator was authorized to continue larviciding through St. Louis County and to contact Glendale to determine their willingness to provide adulticiding this summer.

#### REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Alderwoman Graves noted that trash service has been good.

Alderman Bach requested that the City purchase emergency radios that use the police frequency and the Board authorized the City Administrator to contact Chief Plummer to determine how to purchase the radios.

Alderman Graville had no additional comments.

Mayor Marti noted that he had discussed a potential mirror at the Holmes Fortune Lane intersection and will work toward installation. Chief Plummer noted that they are patrolling the city per the contract and will begin a new coded system to track those patrols.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

A ceremony will be scheduled to celebrate the new Backstoppers Memorial. Alderman Graville will contact the Backstoppers Board for their input on potential dates.

A move to adjourn was made by Alderwoman Graves, seconded by Alderman Bach and carried 3-0.

These minutes accepted as submitted this 13th day of April, 2009.

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Deborah LeMoine  
Interim City Administrator/Clerk

