

**PUBLIC MEETING  
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 29, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.  
GLENDALE CITY HALL  
CITY OF OAKLAND-BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING  
MINUTES**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by Mayor Stewart at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL showed that all Board members were present.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES Tabled by consent.

REVIEW OF TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER EXPENSES The financial statements for the month were reviewed, noting that the payroll had been reviewed and approved by the Treasurer. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the voucher which included checks cut at both of the September meetings, and approved the addition of a payment to Spencer Contracting for \$137,958.80.

UPDATES FROM CITY ENGINEER Mr. Stecher recommended the Board approve paver patch repairs in four areas of the City at a cost of \$6650. Alderman Steuby moved and Alderman Godsy seconded a motion to approve the expenditure which was approved by a vote of 4-0. The bid specifications for Melshire Ct. were reviewed and City Staff authorized to publish the request for bids. The needs for concrete work in various areas of the City were reviewed and Mr. Stecher was asked to seek bids for the work. Pricing had been obtained for the fence improvement desired near the Argonne Culvert and the work was approved at a cost of \$820. Additional fencing near the Westborough bridge was discussed but tabled for further review. Mr. Stecher's new role as Building Commissioner was discussed and the Board noted that he will be reviewing applications for new homes or homes with footprint changes in the City. Mr. Wind was also present and discussed potential improvements to the stormwater review process for new homes and homes with footprint changes. This would involve meeting onsite with the City Engineer before site plan approval to review each project case by case. Mr. Stecher will create a checklist for this pre-approval meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR THE CITY OF OAKLAND The Mayor opened the public hearing. The City Administrator read into the record the assessed values for each category of property in the City and the proposed tax rates as approved by the State Auditor's Office for holding tax revenue steady in the City. There being no public questions or comments the Mayor closed the public hearing.

RESOLUTION 2020-2 A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT ST. LOUIS COUNTY DISTRIBUTE \$47 MILLION OF CARES ACT FUNDS ON A PER CAPITA BASIS TO THE MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY TO BE USED FOR ELIGIBLE EXPENSES, AUTHORIZING THE (MAYOR/ CITY ADMINISTRATOR) OF THE CITY OF OAKLAND, MISSOURI, TO ACCEPT CARES ACT FUNDING AND EXECUTE A MUNICIPALITY RELIEF PROGRAM FUNDING AGREEMENT, AND CONFIRMING AGREEMENT TO

INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS ST. LOUIS COUNTY FROM SUCH

DISTRIBUTION The City Attorney reviewed the process for potentially obtaining funding from the Cares Act and the Board authorized the Mayor and City Administrator to move forward with the application and to sign necessary application documents and certifications in order to obtain funds for the cost of public service payroll as documented by the City's payments to Kirkwood for police and fire services, having received from St. Louis County the determination that such expenses are to be presumed covered. Alderman Godsy moved and Alderman Steuby seconded the passage of the necessary resolution.

ORDINANCE 889 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE

MAYOR TO ENTER INTO ON BEHALF OF THE CITY A CONTRACT WITH ST. LOUIS

COUNTY FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL SERVICES

Alderman Godsy moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 889, Alderman Steuby seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by the City Attorney. It was noted that the ordinance ratified the contract signed earlier in the season and allowed the contract to be renewed going forward, a quorum was confirmed and the City Attorney read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 4-0.

ORDINANCE 890 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND FIXING THE TAX RATE IN THE

CITY OF OAKLAND, COUNTY OF ST LOUIS, STATE OF MISSOURI FOR THE YEAR

2020 ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION IN SAID CITY FOR GENERAL

MUNICIPAL PURPOSES PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) VALUATION AT A

RATE OF \$0.1700 ON ALL RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE, \$0.2470 ON ALL

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE AND \$0.2370 ON ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY

Alderman Godsy moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 890, Alderman Steuby seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by the City Attorney. There were no questions or further discussion. A quorum was confirmed, and the City Attorney read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 4-0.

UPDATES FROM CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER, LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR AND CITY ENGINEER The Board heard updates from the Code Enforcement Officer regarding the installation of the new Whirl equipment at the playground, the replacement of bulbs in the City street lights, the replacement of sprinkler heads as needed, sewer lateral issues in the City, and the difficulty in obtaining tree bids for work on Lamertin and in Minturn Park. The possibility of an annual tree maintenance contract was discussed and will be investigated. Mr. Hanser was asked to continue to seek bids for immediate treed needs.

CITIZEN COMMENTS There were no citizen comments.

SPECIAL DISCUSSION

- 1) Park usage and signage during the pandemic were reviewed.
- 2) The Board discussed a citizen request to enact a smoking ban in the parks. The potential advantages and disadvantages were discussed, and the Board decided to table the discussion for the time being.

- 3) The Board discussed proposals from a company performing utility tax audits in the area. The Board decided to seek additional information about potential requirements and benefits before making a decision.
- 4) The City Attorney circulated proposed text amendments suggested by Planning and Zoning. The complications of varying block lengths were discussed. The Board decided to schedule a work session to review in more detail.
- 5) Potential changes to the Tree Preservation ordinance were discussed and tabled for further review and a potential work session,
- 6) The City Administrator reviewed with the Board potential meeting dates for fall and winter at Glendale City Hall, and the Board expressed willingness to change to another night of the month to make a more regular schedule possible. The City Administrator agreed to work with Glendale on a schedule. Potential newsletter items were discussed. The possibility of MSD using Minturn Park as a Trash Bash location was discussed. A note from the City Judge complimenting the City on the improvements in Minturn Park was shared.

Alderwoman Lueker had nothing further.

Alderman Godsy asked that the City Engineer look at possible pedestrian improvements to the bridge on Oakland Ave.

Alderman Morisse had nothing further.

Alderman Steuby had nothing further.

Mayor Stewart had nothing further.

The meeting was adjourned by a vote of 4-0.

These minutes accepted as submitted this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 2020.

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Deborah LeMoine, City Clerk.