

**MEETING MINUTES  
OAKLAND BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
JUNE 19, 2024**

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by Mayor Tom Steuby at 7:00 PM.

**ROLL CALL.** The Mayor called the meeting to order. The City Clerk called the roll. Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann were present and constituted a quorum. Alderperson Daake was absent.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES.** Alderperson Lueker moved to approve the Minutes of the May 30, 2024 meeting of the Board of Aldermen. Alderperson Schwegmann seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Schwegmann and Heaton voting Aye, and no one voting Nay.

**APPROVAL OF VOUCHER.** Alderperson Lueker moved to approve the Voucher of May 2024. Alderperson Heaton seconded the motion. The motion to approve the Voucher passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay.

**TREASURER'S REPORT.** Treasurer Charles Funk presented the financial statement through May 31 and indicated that the entries were generally as expected eleven months into the fiscal year.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS.**

Justin and Jackie Albert of 110 Minturn Avenue appeared and expressed their frustration with the City's requirement that they obtain a floodplain permit for their fence replacement (which was built without a permit). Mr. Albert said the property was not in a floodplain and never was. The City Administrator and City Engineer stated that the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) has directed all floodplain administrators statewide through regular seminars to use the best available evidence in reviewing any development in a floodplain. The current best evidence is found in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) proposed map revisions that for the first time have mapped Gravois Creek west of Sappington Road and clearly show that area of 110 Minturn where the fence was placed as within the floodway and floodplain of the Creek. Mr. Albert also stated that he believes a permit for a deck replacement, which was demolished without a permit, was being held up due to the fence issues and he felt the two permits should be considered independently of one another. They stated that they were merely replacing the decking material and keeping the supports in the same place as the old deck.

**NEW BUSINESS**

A. **BILL 968: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.** Alderperson Lueker moved for first and second readings of the Bill and for its subsequent adoption. Alderperson Heaton seconded the motion. There was discussion about the amounts to be allocated to the Missouri Use Tax, Permit Fees, to change the category "Prop P" to "Public Safety", to adjust the amounts due to Kirkwood for Aquatic Center costs in excess of ordinary maintenance, and to break

down Engineering costs between capital improvements expenses and day to day expenses. Alderperson Schwegmann moved to amend the budget to reflect these changes. Alderperson Heaton seconded the motion. The amendment then passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay. The City Attorney read the amended Bill by title twice. The motion to approve the Bill then passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay. Bill #968 became Ordinance #968.

**B. BILL # 969: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 110.015, 110.020 AND 110.170 OF THE CODE OF OAKLAND TO CONFORM TO STATE LAW AND CERTIFICATION TIMELINES FROM THE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS AND TO CONFORM THE CODE TO CURRENT DATES FOR REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN.** Alderperson Lueker moved for first and second readings of the Bill and for its subsequent adoption. Alderperson Schwegmann seconded the motion. The City Attorney read the Bill by title twice. The motion then passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay. Bill #969 became Ordinance #969.

**OLD BUSINESS.** Discussions about the Tree Preservation Ordinance under consideration for several years and for update to the City' Website were tabled by unanimous consent.

**REPORTS OF CITY ENGINEER AND CODE OFFICIAL.** The written reports of the City Engineer and Code Official were accepted. The Code Official reported that BMPs were installed at 802 Lockwood Avenue and were consistent with the City's requests and that a final inspection had been completed and an occupancy permit granted. He said that the Reddington construction company had taken responsibility for knocking over a lamp post on S. Holmes Avenue. And he reported he was taking action at 905 Trellis for overgrown weeds and at 1011 W. Frisco where a dead tree needs to be removed.

**REPORT OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR.** The City Administrator reported that the owner of 717 E. Madison requested a grate drain at the end of her driveway near her garage and that quotes were requested to determine the potential cost related to it. The City Administrator had no additional items to report.

**REPORTS OF MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS.** Alderperson Lueker requested a status update on the property at 9751 Big Bend. The City Administrator said that he had met with the owners of the property and that they intended to consolidate two of the three lots and to sell the two lots independently. He said that plans will be submitted for the consolidation plat and for a driveway expansion on the main lot with the existing home. Alderperson Heaton mentioned a communication from Mr. Vince Morris about a deck submittal. Alderperson Schwegmann stated that he could not attend the scheduled July 17 meeting but could be available July 24. The City Administrator was instructed to check the schedules of all Aldermen to secure a quorum for July 24.

Mayor Steuby nominated Andrew Stewart to be Asst. City Clerk/Administrator at the rate of \$60 per hour during the July-August transition period to Mr. Stewart as the City Clerk/Administrator upon Mr. Starr's retirement August 31, 2024. Alderperson Lueker moved to approve the nomination. Alderperson Heaton seconded the motion. The motion then passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay.

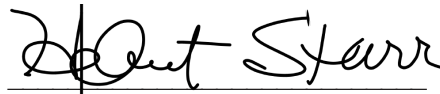
The motion then passed by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay.

**MOTION FOR CLOSED SESSION.** Alderperson Lueker moved for a closed session pursuant to Mo.Rev.Stat. Section 610.021(1) "Attorney-Client Communications" and Mo.Rev.Stat. Section 610.021(3) "Hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees". Alderperson Schwegmann seconded the motion. A roll call vote was conducted and each of Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton and Schwegmann voted Aye, and no one voted Nay.

**ADJOURNMENT.** Alderperson Lueker moved to adjourn the regular meeting. Alderperson Heaton seconded the motion. The Board then passed the motion by a vote of 3-0 with Alderpersons Lueker, Heaton, and Schwegmann voting Aye, no one voting Nay.

These Minutes were approved by the Board of Aldermen this 24th day of July 2024.

**Attested:**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Helmut Starr". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

City Clerk Helmut Starr