

**MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2010 – 7:00 P.M.**

MAYOR PAUL MARTI
ALDERMAN CHRIS GRAVILLE
ALDERMAN JAMES HENSLEY
ALDERMAN ANDREW STEWART
CITY ATTORNEY HELMUT STARR
CITY TREASURER CHARLES FUNK
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 except Alderwoman Graves who was out of town as previously arranged.

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 9, 2010 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES - Mayor Marti asked if there were any comments regarding the 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 Alderman Hensley. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of the approval.

TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER VOUCHER Treasurer Funk reported on the current income and expenses for the City, and reviewed bids received for the the City's banking services. The September voucher was reviewed and Treasurer Funk asked that \$4500 be added for audit services from Fick to be paid when the audit was completed. Alderman Stewart moved to approve the voucher with that addition and Alderman Graville seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of approving the voucher and expenses.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Dan Wind made a presentation regarding his initial review of the Park Avenue work being done by his firm. Sally MaGwire reviewed Fortune Lane issues. Patrick Dolan and Randy Jotte both introduced themselves to the Board.

PUBLIC HEARING- A public hearing to approve the proposed 2010 real estate, commercial and personal property tax rates for the City of Oakland was opened. The Board's general goal to keep revenue steady was discussed and proposed tax rates were agreed upon, and the revised commercial assesement was reviewed. There were no public comments and the hearing was closed.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 790: AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND FIXING THE TAX RATE IN THE CITY OF OAKLAND, COUNTY OF ST LOUIS, STATE OF MISSOURI FOR THE YEAR 2010 ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO TAXATION

IN SAID CITY FOR GENERAL MUNICIPAL PURPOSES PER ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$100.00) VALUATION AT A RATE OF \$0.1880 ON ALL RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE, \$0.2460 ON ALL COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE AND \$0.2370 ON ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY Alderman Stewart moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 790. Alderman Graville seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by Attorney Starr. A quorum was confirmed and Attorney Starr read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 3-0.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 797: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WITH REEDY PRESS, LLC FOR THE PUBLICATION OF AN OAKLAND HISTORY BOOK Alderman Stewart moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 797. Alderman Graville seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by Attorney Starr. A quorum was confirmed and Attorney Starr read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 3-0.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 798: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH ORLANDO'S CATERING FOR THE CITY PICNIC Alderman Stewart moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 798. Alderman Hensley seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by Attorney Starr. A quorum was confirmed and Attorney Starr read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 3-0.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 799: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH WEINHART PARTY RENTALS FOR SUPPLYING RENTALS TO THE CITY PICNIC Alderman Stewart moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 799. Alderman Hensley seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by Attorney Starr. A quorum was confirmed and Attorney Starr read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 3-0.

RESOLUTION 2010-2: A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GRANT'S FARM AS A NEW UNIT OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE Alderman Graville moved for the passage of Resolution 2010-2. Alderman Stewart seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and resolution passed 3-0.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS- none

SPECIAL DISCUSSION

1. Holmes Avenue Update: Federal funds have now been obligated for the project and Weis will be working to determine the best time to bid the project, with construction to begin in spring 2011.

2. Potential Sidewalk in Loewnau Park: The Board authorized the Mayor and Alderman Stewart to approve final drawings for the project as they become available.
3. Potential Oakland History Book Update: the Mayor reviewed the photo contest rules.
4. Potential Trash Contract Renewal October 2010: The Mayor was authorized to sign a letter expressing the city's desire for the contract to automatically renew for next year.
5. City Picnic Date and Approval of Vendors: October 9 picnic details were reviewed and the Board voted to add pie to the menu.
6. Helmet Sign Update: installation plans for signs were reviewed.
7. Potential Street Review: a drive-through review of city streets to determine if any street work was necessary at this time was authorized by the Board with Aldermen Hensley and Stewart.
8. Potential Tennis Courts at Kirkwood Park: initial thoughts from Murray Pounds at Kirkwood were reviewed and the City Administrator authorized to continue discussions.
9. 2010 Park Grant Application: the Board authorized the City Administrator to move forward with SWT on a park grant application for completion of the master plan for Loewnau Park. The acorn sample for Backstoppers park was also reviewed and approved.
10. Woodleigh Cove Lighting: Alderman Stewart and Hensley agreed to look at the light and review possible options with the City Administrator and Ameren.
11. City Administrator's Report: The City Administrator's Report was reviewed and discussed.

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Alderman Stewart reviewed compliance issues with Mr. Hanser.

Alderman Graville had nothing further.

Alderman Hensley had nothing further.

Mayor Marti updated the Board about Municipal League discussions regarding various government issues and the City photo contest.

MISCELLANEOUS- none.

Alderman Graville moved to adjourn and Alderman Stewart seconded the motion which carried 3-0.

These minutes accepted as submitted this 18th day of October, 2010.

Deborah LeMoine
City Administrator/Clerk