MINUTES

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10‚ 2014– 7:00 P.M.**

MAYOR PAUL MARTI

ALDERMAN MIKE GODSY

ALDERMAN JAMES HENSLEY

ALDERMAN TOM STEUBY

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.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 2014 BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES Mayor Marti asked if there were any comments regarding the minutes as submitted, there being none, he requested a motion for the approval of the minutes as submitted. Alderman Hensley so moved, seconded by Alderman Godsy. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of the approval.

TREASURER’S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY VOUCHER The February voucher was reviewed along with financial statements for the month. The Board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the voucher.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: No citizens were present to make comments.

CODE ENFORCEMENT REPORT: The property at 1007 Trellis was discussed, there is a new roof and the owner is working with the City on compliance.

ORDINANCE 830: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE IN THE CITY BEGINNING MARCH 1, 2014 Alderman Godsy moved for the first and second reading and subsequent passage of Ordinance 830, Alderman Hensley seconded the motion, a quorum was confirmed and the ordinance was read by Attorney Starr after which the the City Administrator read and the Board discussed the bids received. The Board and the Code Enforcement Officer then discussed the City’s experience with the low bidder having been overwhelmed by the scope of work and unresponsive to City needs beyond basic mowing during the last contract. The experience and favorable municipal references of the second lowest bidder were reviewed, and Alderman Stewart moved, with Alderman Godsy seconding his motion, to accept the second lowest bid of $16,300 as the lowest and best bid from TRC Outdoor. The Board approved the choice by a vote of 4-0. A quorum was then confirmed and Attorney Starr read the ordinance a second time. The ordinance passed 4-0.

SPECIAL DISCUSSION:

1) City Picnic date was set for 10/11 and Keltic Reign will play again.

2) Bethesda made their annual voluntary contribution of $12,076 to the City at a meeting with the Mayor and City Administrator.

3) The City’s insurance carrier review of Minturn Park options was discussed. The City will get pricing for a rail at the north end of the bridge and a light pole in the park.

4) The Winter Clearance contractor will be asked to adjust the feet on the plow to clear closer to the road and to plow more often in heavy snow.

5) Election certified for April 8.

6) Weis is working on the grant application for road improvements on Argonne Ave. Resolution 2014-1 A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CITY OF OAKLAND’S GRANT APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL FUNDING THROUGH THE 2014-15 STP-S PROGRAM FOR ROADWAY, STORM WATER AND PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS TO ARGONNE AVENUE AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF OAKLAND’S PARTICIPATION IN THAT APPLICATION was approved by a vote of 4-0 in order to seek federal grant money for road, sidewalk and lighting improvements on Argonne. The application will be made in March of 2014.

7) Updates to the City Code book have begun.

8) Business license fees are coming in as scheduled with QT fees the largest at $17,800.

9) The City Administrator reviewed future meeting schedules, and the Board agreed to meet in April on April 9 at 7 pm and in June on June 16 at 7pm..

REPORTS FROM MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Alderman Steuby asked for an update on the Holmes wall that was broken by a falling tree.

Alderman Hensley asked for an update on piles of dirt on Bethesda property and the status of 11 Melshire curb issues.

Alderman Stewart reviewed tree issues and asked the that City attempt to schedule early pothole repair this spring.

Alderman Godsy had nothing further.

Mayor Marti reported on a municipal league meeting January 29 with Better Together which he and the City Administrator attended.

MISCELLANEOUS- None

These minutes accepted as submitted this 10th day of March, 2014.

Deborah LeMoine, City Administrator/Clerk