# CITY OF WELDON SPRING REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: The Weldon Spring Board of Aldermen met for their regular meeting at Weldon Spring City Hall, 5401 Independence Road on Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 7:30 PM with Mayor Donald Licklider presiding.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**: Mayor Licklider asked everyone in attendance to stand and join in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** On a roll call, the following Aldermen were present:

Ward 1:

Alderman Clutter

Alderman Yeager

Ward 2:

Alderman Kolb

Ward 3:

Alderman Martiszus

Alderman Baker

Alderman Conley was absent.

A quorum was declared.

Also present were Mayor Licklider, Don Stolberg (City Administrator), and Bill Hanks (City Clerk).

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

• Lisa Baker, 124 Osage Way: She recently become aware of the actions, by the City, at the September 12, 2024, Board of Alderman meeting. After she viewed the minutes from that meeting, she was very disappointed about how the reconsideration vote for the rezoning request at 6101 Ozark Way transpired, because the reconsideration vote was not on the agenda. She asked the Board what condition existed to prompt a reconsideration vote on something that was already denied by the City.

# **MINUTES:**

September 12, 2024 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes: Alderman Yeager moved to approve the minutes from the September 12, 2024, regular meeting, as submitted. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martiszus. Motion carried with 4 ayes. Alderman Clutter abstained from voting.

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Alderman Yeager made a motion to accept the Treasurer's packet of paid bills from September 6, 2024, to September 19, 2024. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martiszus. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Bill #1230 – An Ordinance Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025 for the City of Weldon Spring, Missouri, and Matters Relating Thereto: Alderman Clutter made a motion to approve Bill #1230 for its second and final reading by title only. Alderman Yeager seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the Bill #1230 was placed as Ordinance 24-17 as follows:

AYES: 5 - Baker, Clutter, Kolb, Martiszus, and Yeager

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1 -Conley

Bill #1232 - An Ordinance Amending Section 100.37- of the City of Weldon Spring's Employee Policy Manual Regarding Holidays & Matter Relating Thereto: Alderman Yeager made a motion to approve Bill #1232 for its second and final reading by title only. Alderman Martiszus seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the Bill #1232 was placed as Ordinance 24-18 as follows:

AYES: 5 - Baker, Clutter, Kolb, Martiszus, and Yeager

NOES: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Conley

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

828 Nancy Lane Escrow Release: Alderman Yeager made a motion to release \$5,000.00 from escrow because the house was never constructed and Graystone Home, LLC, no longer has ownership of the lot associated with 828 Nancy Lane. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kolb. Motion carried with 5 ayes.

400 Siedentop Road Escrow Release – New Perspective of Weldon Spring: Alderman Yeager made a motion to release \$10,000.00 from escrow to Boldt Capital because the City conducted final inspection to ensure compliance with all the requirements by the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kolb. Motion carried with 5 ayes.

# REPORTS AND COMMITTEES:

Architectural Review Commission (ARC): Alderman Clutter stated that ARC plans to submit their suggested code changes to the Planning & Zoning Commission for their review in the next 3 months.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (PRAC) Report: There was a brief discussion about upcoming City's events and the replacement of playground equipment at Weldon Spring City Park in Fiscal Year 2025.

City Administrator Report: The City Administrator Report was submitted to the Board prior to the meeting.

There was a brief discussion about the timing with the completion of Westwood Sidewalk Extension project and the Pedestrian Crossing Improvement project.

Alderman Clutter requested that the Board schedule a Work Session to discuss a direction for the future of City Hall.

# **RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:**

Alderman Kolb stated that she is extremely disappointed in the decision of the members of the Board that reversed the denial of ½ acre zoning on the 9.5 acres tract off Ozark Way that was zoned for 5 acres and allowed the ½ to go thru. She reminded the Board that a remonstrance was filed with notarized signatures of adjoining properties and a petition with 40 signatures of the closest residents from Weldon Spring whose homes are on one acre to almost 3 acres that requested that the rezoning be 1 acre. She stated that 86% of the surrounding properties made this request. She believes that the elected officials are elected by the people, and they should listen to their constituents.

Also, Alderman Kolb believes that the City acted in an improper manner in calling of a reconsideration vote because there was no notification on the agenda that this was being brought up at the September 12, 2024, Board meeting.

Alderman Baker made a motion to authorize the City to spend \$129,500 for electrical and plumbing repairs to City Hall. The **motion failed** due to a lack of a second to the motion to call for a vote.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM, seconded by Alderman Martiszus. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Hanks, City Clerk