CITY OF WELDON SPRING REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN DECEMBER 14, 2023

CALL TO ORDER: The Weldon Spring Board of Aldermen met for their regular meeting at Weldon Spring City Hall, 5401 Independence Road on Thursday, December 14, 2023, at 7:30 PM with Alderman Yeager, the President of the Board, presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Alderman Yeager 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 Conley	Alderman Kolb
Ward 3:	Alderman Martiszus	Alderman Baker

Note: Aldermen Clutter did not join the meeting until 7:54 PM.

A quorum was declared.

Also, present were Bob Wohler (City Attorney), and Bill Hanks (City Clerk). Mayor Licklider was present as a video conferencing participant via Zoom.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Richard West, Missouri State Representative: He introduced himself to the Board and talked about his priorities for the upcoming legislative session.

MINUTES:

November 9, 2023 – Regular Board Meeting Minutes: Alderman Martiszus moved to approve the minutes from the November 9, 2023, regular meeting, as written. The motion was seconded by Alderman Baker. Motion carried with 5 ayes.

November 20, 2023 – Special Board Meeting Minutes: Alderman Martiszus moved to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2023, special meeting, as written. The motion was seconded by Alderman Baker. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Alderman Conley made a motion to accept the Treasurer's packet of paid bills from November 3, 2023, to November 30, 2023, and the October 2023 Credit Card Bill. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martiszus. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bill #1210 – An Ordinance Amending Section 405.430 (B) (7) of the City of Weldon Spring, Missouri, Municipal Code and Matters Relating Thereto (Front Entry Garages): Alderman Martiszus made a motion to postpone any action on Bill #1210 until the next Board meeting because Alderman Clutter is not present at this time. Alderman Baker seconded the motion and the motion carried with 5 ayes.

Bill #1211 – An Ordinance Amending Sections 415.080 (J) & 415.110 (A) of the City of Weldon Spring, Missouri, Municipal Code and Matters Relating Thereto (Temporary Signage): Alderman Yeager made a motion to approve Bill #1211 for its second and final reading by title only. Alderman Baker seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, Bill #1211 failed to be approved:

AYES: 0

NOES: 5 – Baker, Conley, Kolb, Martiszus, and Yeager

ABSENT: 1 – Clutter

Bill #1212 – An Ordinance Amending Sections 415.020, 415.080 (C), & 415.090 (B) of the City of Weldon Spring, Missouri, Municipal Code and Matters Relating Thereto (Electronic Billboards): Alderman Martiszus made a motion to approve Bill #1212 for its second and final reading by title only. Alderman Baker seconded the motion.

On a roll call vote, the Bill #1212 was placed as Ordinance 23-19 as followed:

AYES: 4 – Baker, Conley, Martiszus, and Yeager

NOES: 1 – Kolb ABSENT: 1 – Clutter

NEW BUSINESS:

2024 Reserve Fund Target: Alderman Baker made a motion to adjust the reserve fund and increase the balance by \$42,444 to a total of \$1,060,222. The motion was seconded by Alderman Yeager. The **motion carried** with 5 ayes.

Note: Alderman Clutter joined the meeting at this time.

REPORTS AND COMMITTEES:

Public Safety Report: The November Crime Statistic Report was submitted to the elected officials prior to the meeting.

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

After a brief discussion about golf cart safety signage, Alderman Martiszus made a motion to direct City's staff to draft a Resolution for the Board to consider by the 2nd meeting in February. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clutter. **Motion carried** with 6 ayes.

RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Alderman Clutter stated that the Finance Committee would meet in the next two months to finalize the 5-year Financial Plan for the City after capturing the comments from the Board members. He also stated that he would like a joint work session with the Architectural Review Commission (ARC) in March of 2024.

CLOSED SESSION:

Alderman Conley made a motion to go into closed session according to Missouri State Statute 610.021 Paragraph (1) - legal actions, cause of action, litigation, or privileged communications between a public governmental body and its attorneys; Paragraph (2) – leasing, purchasing, or sale of real estate; and Paragraph (12) – sealed bids and related documents, until the bids are opened; and sealed proposals and related documents or any documents related to a negotiated contract until a contract is executed, or all proposals are rejected - at 8:13 PM. The motion was seconded by Alderman Baker and the **motion carried** on a roll call vote:

AYES: 6 - Baker, Clutter, Conley, Kolb, Martiszus, and Yeager

NOES: 0 ABSENT: 0

Alderman Clutter made a motion to go into open session at 8:55 PM. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martiszus and the **motion carried** on a roll call vote:

AYES: 6 – Baker, Clutter, Conley, Kolb, Martiszus, and Yeager

NOES: 0 ABSENT: 0

OPEN SESSION:

Alderman Baker made a motion to accept the counter proposal of the City's new prospective business. The motion was seconded by Alderman Martiszus. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

Alderman Martiszus made a motion to approve that the Mayor and staff continue to work with outside council to resolve the ongoing matter in the most efficient way for the City. The motion was seconded by Alderman Conley. The motion carried with 6 ayes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 PM, seconded by Alderman Martiszus. **Motion carried** with 6 ayes.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Hanks, City Glerk