CITY OF WELDON SPRING REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN SEPTTEMBER 26, 2019

CALL TO ORDER: The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Weldon Spring was held on Thursday, September 26, 2019 at approximately 7:30 PM. The meeting was held at the Weldon Spring City Hall, which is located at 5401 Independence Road. Mayor Donald Licklider called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

Ward 1: Alderman Clutter Alderman Hillmer
Ward 2: Alderman Schwaab Alderman Kolb
Ward 3: Alderman Martiszus

Alderman Baker was absent from the meeting. A quorum was declared.

MINUTES: September 12, 2019 Board Minutes - Alderman Clutter moved to approve the minutes as written from the September 12, 2019 regular meeting. Alderman Schwaab seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes. Alderman Hillmer abstained from voting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Sally Haley, 5332 Independence Road: She is the owner of Custom Vapor, which has been in business for 5 year. She opened the store with the goal to help people stop smoking because studies have shown vaping is safer than smoking cigarettes. She believes the dangers from vaping is from Juul pods, as well as THC cartridges, which are sold on the black market. She asked the Board where the research came from for this propose bill on vaper regulations.

Jay Dee Smith: He opposed the flavor ban on vaping products. He stated that respectable vapor shops educate their customers and limit the sale on the number of pods.

David Barr: He talked about the differences between combustible cigarettes and "e-cigarettes". The flavors are designed for the adults to wane off combustible cigarettes and they do not want the nicotine flavor.

John Huck: He questioned the timing of these regulations on vapor product. He urged the Board to hold up and let the federal government to sort it out

John Burns: He believes passing the Vapor Regulation Bill will have a negative effect on the small shops and flood the black market with new potential customers.

Nicholas Finot: He stated that 5% of all vapor sales is on flavor tobacco.

Adam Moll, Missouri Smoke Free: He stated raising the age for the sale of vapor products and not tobacco products would unintentionally show that the Board is endorsing tobacco. He stated that the fruity flavors take away the nicotine fixations for adults who are trying to quit smoking.

Marlene Chilto: She gave her testimony on the dangers of tobacco flavor vaper.

Rob Chase: He stated vaping saved his life because vaping allowed him to quit nicotine. He believes taking the flavors away would eliminate jobs.

PUBLIC HEARING: There was no public hearing scheduled.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Alderman Schwaab made a motion to accept the Treasurer's packet of paid bills from September 4, 2019, to September 18, 2019, and the unpaid bills from September 11, 2019, to September 26, 2019. Alderman Hillmer seconded the motion. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

Alderman Kolb requested an expense report for the Senior Day event and the 4th of July event.

NEW BUSINESS:

An Ordinance Providing for the Reasonable Regulations of E-cigarettes & Related Products Within the City of Weldon Spring, Missouri, Setting Out Penalties for Violations & A Time Frame for Compliance by Businesses in Regard to Those Products, & Matters Related Thereto: Alderman Clutter decided not to introduce this bill at this time.

Kiwanis Club: After a brief discussion, Alderman Clutter volunteered to attend the next meeting and report back to the Board to see if there is interest to continue to support this organization.

Electronic Sign: A brief discussion about safety and grading issues took place. It was decided to have staff conduct more research and give an assessment on the sightline issues for the sign. The staff will report their findings to the Board.

Goals & Priorities: Alderman Clutter asked the Mayor to share the goals for the City Administrator to see if the goals support the priorities identified by the Board during a Work Session earlier in the year. A brief discussion took place.

REPORTS AND COMMITTEES:

City Administrator: Mr. Padella (City Administrator) briefly summarized his report.

He mainly discussed the Sammelman Sidewalk Project. He stated that St. Charles County was getting pricing for concrete parking lot stops that would be 7-8 feet long and place between the delineators at the sharp 90° curve on top of the hill. A lengthy discussion over safety took place.

City Attorney: Mr. Wohler updated the Board on Summit at the Whitmoor Subdivision negotiations for accepting their storm sewers. Also, he stated that any regulations on "ecigarettes" is for the Board to decide.

Planning and Zoning Commission: Mr. Hanks (City Clerk) talked about an having some sort of educational opportunity for the Commission in the future.

Finance Committee: Alderman Clutter stated the Finance Committee recommended passing an Ordinance, which would create a policy establishing a reserve fund level.

CERT Committee: No report given

PRAC Committee: No report given

Priorities Update: No report given

RECEIPTS & COMMUNICATIONS:

Alderman Kolb: She told the Board that she attended an open-house event at the St. Louis Zoo's North Campus in north St. Louis County.

Alderman Martiszus: He stated that he wanted the City to investigate on construction equipment, for the Vanguard project, being stored on the adjacent property. Also, he made mention of maintenance cleanup issues on Weldon Spring Parkway.

Alderman Schwaab: He stated he heard a lot of complaints, from Camelot Subdivision residents, over road maintenance issues.

Alderman Clutter: He urged the Board to continue to gather updated homeowner association contact information. He talked about right-of-way grass maintenance. Also, he demanded the City to obtain a cost estimate for citywide curb replacements, which was an approved motion on August 13, 2019.

WORK SESSION:

A Work Session has been scheduled for 6:30 PM on October 17, 2019. The Work Session is to review and discuss the topic of certain general operating procedures for the City.

ADJOURNMENT:

Alderman Kolb moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:17 PM and Alderman Clutter seconded the motion. **Motion carried** with 5 ayes.

1984 William C. Hanks
City Clerk