

Chairman Birk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present at roll call were: Chairman Birk, Commissioner Riecke, Mayor West, and Alderman Hendrich. Commissioner Nelson and Commissioner Ropp were absent.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Riecke to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Alderman Hendrich, seconded by Mayor West to approve the December 11, 2018 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

**OPEN FORUM**

Chairman Birk informed the commission St Charles County has approved their 2030 Comprehensive Plan which will include an expansion of higher density housing just South of Highway N near Dardenne Creek. This area is currently unincorporated St Charles County, however, Chairman Birk expects Wentzville to annex this area. Todd Streiler has offered to ask any questions we have regard this plan to the County Planner.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. Update on Comprehensive Plan – Todd Streiler was present for the meeting to discuss Chapter 3 of the New Melle Comprehensive Plan. He encouraged the board to look over the plan and meet for a joint work session with the Board of Alderman and Planning and Zoning Commission. Todd discussed the preliminary Future Land Use map and updated some areas while informing the commission that each area has a future land use category that can be updated to fit the city needs. Streiler told the board that he wants to maintain the small-town feel of New Melle which will appeal to current and future residents. Mayor West and Chairman Birk agreed to having a joint work session at a later date to discuss the Comprehensive Plan.
2. Approved Amended Site Plan for The Quarry Wine Garden – Mayor West made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Riecke to table until the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.
3. Discussion Topics – Chairman Birk mentioned the lot next to Maracas with a fallen tree and asked if there was a way to make the sidewalk safer. Mayor West stated the city spent time recently to improve the sidewalks. The plans from the city were approved by the State of Missouri. Mayor West also informed the commission the city has applied for the East West Gateway Grant once again to improve and add in sidewalks. Mayor West made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Riecke to table further topic discussion to the next meeting due to Commissioner Nelson’s absence. Motion passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Trail from New Melle Lakes Park to Town – Mayor West spoke with Steve Ehlman of St Charles County Parks, who stated he would like to be involved with the trail project. The city will need to take the lead on the project since most of the project will take place within the city limits. Mayor West has offered to talk to any residents whose property this may involve. He suggested more discussion on the trail at a joint work session with the Board of Aldermen.

**BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT**

Status Reports were reviewed.

**ROAD COMMITTEE REPORT**

There was no Road Committee Report.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT ITEMS**

1. 10 Golden Oak – Case closed.
2. Chairman Birk mentioned the lot next to Maracas with a fallen tree being a safety hazard to pedestrians as well as drivers. He has asked the city to get in contact with Jared Agee with St Charles County Code Enforcement. Alderman Hendrich informed the Commission that this lot is residential with different standards for safety. City Clerk Burton stated she left a voicemail for Mr. Agee earlier in the day and did not receive an answer. She informed the Commission she will contact him in the morning via email with a picture of the lot in question.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mayor West and seconded by Alderman Hendrich to adjourn the meeting at 8:29 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.