

REGULAR MEETING

The City of New Melle Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Mayor West. The Meeting was held at City Hall, 145 Almeling Street, New Melle, Missouri 63365

ROLL CALL

Mayor Rich West

Alderman Janet Karrenbrock – absent

Alderman Don Hendrich

Alderman Gary Schneider

Alderman Nik Bradley

City Clerk Marcia Gay

Attorney Steve Martin

Also present City Engineer Kurt Daniels, Engineer Cole Deming, Savanna Burton and Sharon Duggan

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor West led the Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor West added discussion on the Hwy D and Hwy Z Property and a new printer option for the City in New Business.

Mayor West made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hendrich to approve the Agenda with changes. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Correction to the Adjournment Aldermen for January 14 Minutes.

Alderman Nik Bradley made a motion, seconded by Alderman Schneider to approve the Minutes with correction. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN FORUM

Mayor West noted the forthcoming meeting with District 2 County Councilman Joe Brazil at the New Melle Sports and Rec March 4th from 7:00-9:00. Councilman Brazil will discuss the 5 Yr. Plan for St. Charles County and St. Charles County Parks expansions.

FINANCE REPORT

City Clerk Marcia Gay submitted the January 2021 Balance Sheets. Alderman Schneider made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hendrich to approve the balance sheets for January 2021. Motion passed unanimously.

ENGINEERING REPORT

City Engineer Kurt Daniels reported on the progress of Peter St. Improvements. With 70%-80% of utilities in the R/W they can be relocated in the new R/W without additional property acquisition. Proposed Plan is still under review.

OLD BUSINESS

1. City of New Melle vs. Sullivan et al – Attorney Martin and Mayor West went to trial in St. Charles last Friday. There should be a decision by the Judge in about a month.
2. NMSR – New Employee status: the new hire for Sports and Rec should start in a few weeks. The person will job-share with The City for general maintenance.
3. Mayor West requested to Ameren UE to remove the Christmas decorations, weather permitting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Per the contract with the City of New Melle, St. Charles County Code Enforcement is supposed to contact the City before issuing any warnings but have not been honoring the contract agreement. The City will look at canceling the contract with the County and conduct Code Enforcement as a City responsibility. Mayor West motioned to add to the next Agenda to vote for an RFQ to solicit for a Building Inspector.
2. Mayor West is working with MoDOT to resolve the issue with the New Melle City signs.
3. Leslie Limberg spoke on the subject of proposing a Farmers/Artist Market in the City, perhaps at/near Hwy's D and Z. The board suggested taking the proposal to the Chamber of Commerce and Sports and Rec. The City has no say on property owned by Sports and Rec.
4. P&Z Volunteer Applicant Sharon Duggan had been approved by P&Z. Alderman Hendrich made a motion to approve her application with the Board of Aldermen, Nik Bradley seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Welcome Commissioner Sharon Duggan to Planning and Zoning.
5. Mayor West requested to add discussion regarding the proposal by Primus Group for commercial expansion at the Hwy D and Hwy Z intersection be added to the March Agenda for BOA. The City would pursue the hiring of a professional team to explore options to move forward with options for the City property at the intersection.
6. City Clerk Marcia Gay will request pricing comparisons from Da-com for a new printer for the City. The current contract will expire in a few months and a decision to keep or replace the copier will be made at a later date.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Schneider to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Marcia Gay, City Clerk

