

REGULAR MEETING  
GERALD BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 5, 2009

A regular meeting of the board of Aldermen was held on February 5, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the City Hall in Gerald, MO.

Present were: Mayor Schulte  
Alderman Landwehr  
Alderman Johnson  
Alderman Maxwell  
Alderman Luechtefeld

Attorney Purschke was not asked to the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2009 Regular & Executive meetings. Alderman Johnson made a motion to accept the minutes from both meetings. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "Aye". Next Alderman Landwehr made a motion to accept the minutes from the January 15, 2009 special meeting. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The bills for December 2008 were reviewed next. Alderman Landwehr made a motion to pay all of the bills. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The Department reports were next on the agenda. Public Works Director, Nick Grube presented the board with his monthly report. He had nothing else to report on.

Chief of Police, Clyde Zelch was next. He also presented the Board with his monthly report.

Mayor Schulte covered the letter from the Franklin County Drug Enforcement Agency and mentioned that he thought it was a joke. Alderman Johnson stated he thinks we should just drop it and see what comes of it. Alderman Landwehr stated that the city should drop it for now and pursue again after the lawsuits are over.

Citizen Stephanie Story spoke next under the Police Department report. She presented Officer Joe LaFrance with an award and a Thank you letter. She stated that he had helped to turn her life around when she was going in the wrong direction.

Clerk Wheeler was next. She asked the Board to move next Month's meeting to March 5<sup>th</sup> as she would be at her yearly Clerk's conference the following week. Clerk Wheeler also mentioned that she had received a call from Richard Pierce concerning the Senior Center. He was requesting funds from the City's Budget again this year. Alderman Johnson asked Clerk Wheeler to look at the budget and see if we could come up with money for the Senior Center. Next Clerk Wheeler asked the Board about pursuing a

contract with Tri-County Vet to take the stray animals directly to them. The Humane Society was billing incorrectly several times now and we were having other problems as well. Clerk Wheeler was asked to look into and bring to the next meeting. Finally Clerk Wheeler mentioned she had met with Dana Bowers from Modern Woodsmen of America about moving our Protested Wireless Account to her bank with higher interest rates. The Board stated that they would like to keep the money at a local bank instead.

Wilbur Skornia with the Planning & Zoning Board spoke last. He stated that the P & Z Board would be taking a better look at Occupancy Permits, upgrading map, and working on finalizing permit fees at their next meeting.

James Quilacio with BFA Engineering spoke next to the Board about Grants and Federal Stimulus Funds. He told the Board if they would like to go after the Federal Stimulus money that we would need to make a decision as soon as possible and figure out what streets we would include in the project. The paperwork was due in by Friday, February 13, 2009. The Board decided on Phase I of the Stimulus package to go with Industrial Drive from Hwy to Flottman Road, Main Street, Industrial to 6<sup>th</sup> and Bittersweet up to Park. James mentioned the cost to write up the grant would be no more then \$1500. He also stated the he can build in Engineering Fees to get back with the grant. Phase II they would go with Industrial Park to Hwy 50. Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to pay James with BFA Engineering no more then \$1500 to work up the grant application paperwork. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye". Alderman Johnson then made a motion to include the streets listed in the application. Alderman Landwehr seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Next James talked to the board about going with new flush curbing at the Memorial project. He then mentioned this would be better for the City in a lot of places and that the city could choose to take the whole city to flush curbing over a period of time, or to do it in certain areas on a case-by-case basis.

The only item under Old Business was to open street bids. The bids were as follows: Byrne & Jones Construction: \$66.00 per ton asphalt overlay and \$9.50 per square yard chip and seal. Midstate Paving: \$2.80 per square yard chip and seal and \$65.40 per ton asphalt overlay. NB West Contracting: \$56.29 per ton asphalt overlay and \$2.84 per square yard chip and seal. Alderman Landwehr made the motion to accept the bid from NB West for Chip & Seal in the amount of \$2.84 per square yard and for Asphalt in the amount of \$56.29 per ton. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The first item under new business was a rock proposal that had been given to the board from Mark Story & Frank Nash. The proposal was requesting 100 tons of rock from the city. Alderman Landwehr made the motion to provide 100 tons of rock as proposed. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The final item on the agenda was the Mayor's Report. Mayor Schulte mentioned that the EMA had held their first meeting, and that they were scheduling another one for next

week. He also gave an update on the Memorial and mentioned that they would hold a BBQ on March 1<sup>st</sup> to raise money for the memorial. Finally, he told the Board that Cochran Engineering had requested to do an Anti-dag study on our water flow that was required by DNR. The cost would be \$8000. Alderman Landwehr made a motion to allow Cochran to perform the antidag study for \$8000. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

With no further business Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to adjourn. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

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Mayor, Otis Schulte

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Sarah Wheeler

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Date