

REGULAR MEETING
GERALD BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MINUTES
DECEMBER 11, 2008

A regular meeting of the board of Aldermen was held on December 11, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the City Hall in Gerald, MO.

Present were: Mayor Schulte
Alderman Landwehr
Alderman Johnson
Alderman Maxwell
Alderman Luechtefeld being a quorum.

The minutes were reviewed first on the agenda. Alderman Johnson made the motion to pass the minutes from the November 13, 2008 Regular & Executive meetings. Alderman Landwehr seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye". Alderman Landwehr then made the motion to accept the minutes from the November 20, 2008 special and executive meeting. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Alderman Landwehr made a motion next to accept the bills to be paid for the month of November. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Nick Grube, Public Works Director was first under Department Reports. Nick did not have anything new. Attorney Purschke did mention that he was working on the agreement with Rosebud for Nick and would email to Clerk Wheeler when it was ready.

Chief Zelch spoke next requesting approval to purchase a new police car for \$12,500 from the State Hwy Patrol. He also mentioned that he would have to purchase a couple of new items for the car before they could use it on the streets, but this would not be a major expense. Alderman Landwehr made a motion to allow Chief Zelch to purchase a new police car for \$12,500. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Wilbur Skornia spoke next for the P & Z Board. He only mentioned to the Board that Planning and Zoning has worked very hard on the codes the past several months, and he asked the board to please consider passing them this evening.

Clerk Wheeler only asked the board for permission for the employees to have the day after Christmas off if they used a sick or vacation day. Almost all employees were requesting this day off. The Aldermen agreed that the employees would be allowed this day off if they had a vacation or sick day to use.

Julie Wilson spoke last for the Park Department. She mentioned that the Park Board had voted to hire a 2nd part-time employee to cut grass and that they were still looking into grants for the ballfield lights. They had also approved the budget for 2009.

The trash contract bid was the first item on the agenda under old business. Alderman Landwehr mentioned that when we go out for bid we should also look into recycling. Alderman Landwehr then made a motion to put out bids for trash service with the option to recycle. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

Clark Marvin’s proposal was next. Nick mentioned he had checked into prices and the city would be looking at around \$5,000 for just material, backhoe, and hauling. Marilyn Marvin mention that they will maintain and that they will also give the city an easement, they would just like the sewer line fixed and rock. Alderman Landwehr stated that he opposes because it is private property and if we do theirs we will need to do everyone’s. Aldermen Luechtefeld stated that we would decide on others on a case-by-case basis. Clerk Wheeler mentioned she did not see anywhere in the budget that we could afford this. It was decided to table the discussion until a special meeting on December 30 to see if the city can find the money to accommodate the Clark’s request.

Next Alderman Landwehr made a motion to accept the Park Board’s approved budget. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to table accepting the budget until the special meeting on December 30. All Aldermen agreed.

James Quilacio with BFA Engineering spoke next about the curbing and sidewalk he had looked at for the city. It was decided that Public Works Director, Nick Grube and Mayor Schulte would discuss Main Street from Hwy 50 on both sides from J & L to MFA with James and have him survey and bring drawings back to the next meeting.

The final item under Old Business was the No Parking on Canaan Road. Alderman Johnson and Mayor Schulte have both received phone calls of concerns. The residents of Canaan Road agreed to the no parking on the more narrow part of the road, but not at the beginning of the road where it was wider. It was decided that the street department will just move the signs down to start the no parking further down the road. Attorney Purschke stated that we did not need a new ordinance, but that we could just move the signs.

The only item under New Business was Fidelity. Mayor Schulte mentioned they had came to him and requested to put cable under hwy 50 around school, and around cell tower. Alderman Landwehr made a motion to allow Fidelity to do both projects at W. Springfield and Flottmann Road. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

There were several ordinances on the agenda for the evening. Bill No. 2008-24 pertaining to water and sewer rates was read by Clerk Wheeler first. Clerk Wheeler then read bill No. 2008-24 for the second and final reading. Alderman Landwehr made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-24 to become Ordinance No. 647. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”; Alderman Maxwell “aye”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman Landwehr “aye”. Bill No. 2008-24 became Ordinance No. 647 as has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-25 to adopt the International Building Codes was read for the first time by Clerk Wheeler. There was a lot of discussion and questions still by Alderman Luechtefeld, Alderman Maxwell and Mayor Schulte, and some residents. Clerk Wheeler read bill No. 2008-24 for the second and final reading. Alderman Landwehr made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-25 to become Ordinance No. 648. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Landwehr “aye”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman Maxwell “aye”; Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”. Bill No. 2008-25 became Ordinance No. 648 as has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-26 pertaining to Business and Contractor License Fees was read for the first time by Clerk Wheeler. Clerk Wheeler read bill No. 2008-26 for the second and final reading. Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-26 to become Ordinance No. 649. Alderman Landwehr seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”; Alderman Maxwell “aye”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman Landwehr “aye”. Bill No. 2008-26 became Ordinance No. 649 as has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-27 pertaining to the Rezoning from R1 to R2 at 109 Flottmann Road was read for the first time by Clerk Wheeler. Clerk Wheeler read bill No. 2008-27 for the second and final reading. Alderman Luechtefeld made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-27 to become Ordinance No. 650. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Landwehr “aye”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman Maxwell “abstain”; Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”. Bill No. 2008-27 became Ordinance No. 650 as has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-28 pertaining to creating an Emergency Management Board was read for the first time by Clerk Wheeler. Clerk Wheeler read bill No. 2008-28 for the second and final reading. Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-28 to become Ordinance No. 651. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”; Alderman Maxwell “aye”; Alderman Johnson “abstain”; Alderman Landwehr “aye”. Bill No. 2008-28 became Ordinance No. 651 as has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Mayor Schulte only had one item under the Mayor's report. He gave an update concerning the sewer project. He mentioned that Cochran Engineering had everything sent off and we were just waiting to find out if we could get any money.

With no further business to discuss Alderman Luechtefeld made the motion to adjourn. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye". The regular meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Mayor, Otis Schulte

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Sarah Wheeler

Date