

REGULAR MEETING
GERALD BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 2008

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on September 11, 2008 at 7:30 pm at the City Hall in Gerald, MO.

Present were: Mayor Schulte
Alderman Johnson
Alderman Maxwell
Alderman Luechtefeld being a quorum.
Alderman Landwehr was absent from the meeting until 8:05 pm.
Attorney Purschke was in attendance.

The minutes were the first item for approval on the agenda. After reviewing, Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to approve the August 14, 2008 Regular Meeting minutes. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye". Alderman Johnson then made the motion to approve the August 21, 2008 Special Meeting minutes. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Bills were the second and final item for approval. With no questions, Alderman Maxwell made the motion to approve the August 2008 bills to be paid. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Visitor, Tom Brickly with Schulte Supply spoke next. He brought a model of the new water meters that Nick would like to purchase. The new readers would be \$15 to upgrade and would be \$1000 to purchase the touch remote to use with them. The current ones the department uses are \$100 to replace and are not remote read. Nick explained to the board that this would save time and money in the long run. Alderman Luechtefeld made the motion to allow Nick to purchase 50 of the touch pads, along with 1 reader. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Jeff Huck with Cochran Engineering was the final guest speaker. He provided the Board with an update on the sewer project and said he would have a report and application ready for the Boards review by the next regular meeting in October.

Department Reports were the next item on the agenda. Nick Grube, Public Works director had nothing for the Board. Police Chief Clyde Zelch spoke next with several items on his list. The first item was that he wanted to see about getting a No Parking sign on E. Springfield. There were several people parking on the road and it was making it hard for people to drive through. The street department will go ahead and put no parking signs along the road, and Attorney Purschke will write an ordinance to enforce the No Parking at the next meeting in October. ATV's, Unlicensed Vehicles, and Mini-Bikes were discussed next. It was decided that Attorney Purschke will draft an ordinance to allow ATV's, Scooters, and other off road vehicles to ride on the city streets with a special permit to be bought at the City Hall. Attorney Purschke will also draft an ordinance that a permit can be purchased to keep one unlicensed vehicle on private property, and finally an ordinance not allowing Mini-bikes to be rode on city streets. Chief Zelch had no further business to discuss.

Alderman Johnson mentioned to Chief Zelch, and Nick, Public Works Director that we should decide on any unused vehicles and hold a silent auction. They will both look into this.

Clerk Wheeler only had one item on her list. Both Chief Zelch and Davey DeFrenne, Animal Control Officer had requested city cell phones so citizens could get a hold of them at any hour. Alderman Landwehr made the motion to allow Clerk Wheeler to add on two lines to our current cell phone plan. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Wilbur Skornia spoke next for Planning & Zoning. He only requested to allow the City Attorney to attend their meetings when they need him. The Board had already voted and decided on this in a past meeting, so no new approval was needed.

Jim Flannery for the Park Board was the last speaker under Department reports. Jim mentioned several items that they would be talking about in their next Park Board meeting such as grass cutting complaints, and replacing the light pole at the ball fields.

Old Business was the next item on the agenda. The bill to Keith Wehmeyer that had been tabled at the last meeting was discussed first. Attorney Purschke recommended to the Board that the City pay for the bill since the back up was from the city main. Alderman Landwehr made a motion to go ahead and pay the bill. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The City Limit Extension was the last item under Old Business. Mayor Schulte mentioned that there were some problems that had risen and this project was currently on hold.

The first and only item under new business was the rezoning vote. The Board asked Attorney Purschke to write an ordinance for the next meeting to pass the rezoning.

There were several ordinances on the agenda next. Bill No. 2008-15, Ordinance No. 638 pertaining to hiring John Neff as Building Inspector was read for the first time title only by Clerk Wheeler. Bill No. 2008-15, Ordinance No. 638 was read title only for the second and final reading. Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-15, Ordinance No. 638. 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. 2008-15, Ordinance No. 638 was approved and has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-16, Ordinance No. 639 concerning acceptance and compliance with various requirements for the Storm Warning Siren Grant was read for the first time title only by Clerk Wheeler. Bill No. 2008-16, Ordinance No. 639 was read title only for the second and final reading. Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-16, Ordinance No. 639. Alderman Maxwell 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. 2008-16, Ordinance No. 639 was approved and has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-17, Ordinance No. 640 concerning amending the employee handbook was read for the first time title only by Clerk Wheeler. Bill No. 2008-17, Ordinance No. 640 was read title only for the second and final reading. Alderman Luechtefeld made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-17, Ordinance No. 640. Alderman Maxwell 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. 2008-17, Ordinance No. 640 was approved and has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Bill No. 2008-18, Ordinance No. 641 concerning the 2008 Tax Levy was read for the first time title only by Clerk Wheeler. Bill No. 2008-18, Ordinance No. 641 was read title only for the second and final reading. Alderman Johnson made the motion to accept Bill No. 2008-18, Ordinance No. 641. 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. 2008-18, Ordinance No. 641 was approved and has been made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

The final item on the agenda for the evening was the Mayor's report. Mayor Schulte had several items on his list. He mentioned how he believed Chief Zelch and the new City Judge were both doing an excellent job cleaning up the town and at court. He read a Thank You letter given to him concerning the Street Department cleaning up Doc. Schmidt's place. He mentioned the latest issue of the newsletter had been sent out and that he had heard good things. Last he mentioned his Memorial project and the City Flag contest. Concerning the Memorial project, he handed each member of the board a sheet with the funds that he had collected for building the Memorial. He stated he had \$23,250.00 currently in the bank account. For the City Flag contest he mentioned that he would be taking a spec sheet to the Elementary School and various other places in town for any Gerald Citizen to enter. He would be ending the contest on October 8th and would like the Board of Aldermen to help vote for the new city flag.

With no further business to discuss Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to adjourn the Regular meeting. Alderman Maxwell seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Mayor, Otis Schulte

ATTEST:

City Clerk, Sarah Wheeler

Date