

REGULAR MEETING  
GERALD BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
MINUTES  
MAY 14, 2009

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on May 14, 2009 at 7:30 pm at the City Hall in Gerald, MO.

Present were: Mayor Schulte  
Alderman Charboneau  
Alderman Johnson  
Alderman McCormick  
Alderman Luechtefeld being a quorum.

The minutes from the April 9, 2009 Special Meeting, April 16 & April 28, 2009 Special Meeting & the April 28, 2009 Executive Meeting were first for approval. Alderman McCormick made a motion to approve all of the minutes. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The bills were reviewed next. Alderman Johnson made a motion to approve the April bills to be paid. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye"

Brad Landwehr was on the agenda next under visitors to discuss the Dan Maxwell tap fees agreement that had been made at the previous meeting. Brad read a statement to the board stating that he thinks the Board should have treated this situation the same as any other. Alderman Johnson made a comment to Brad's statement, saying that he thinks the agreement made with Mr. Maxwell was fair. Alderman Luechtefeld stated that he thought the Board should look at each case individually.

Next Alderman Luechtefeld stepped down to the podium as a citizen and read a statement concerning Mr. Dan Maxwell and how much he had done for the City of Gerald and for other people.

Nick Grube, Public Works Director was first for the department reports. He stated first that the new city lawnmower had been taken in for repair at Schafforkoetter's and had been stolen while it was there. Schafforkoetter's had agreed to replace the lawnmower for no charge, since it was stolen off of their property. Next Nick stated that he had received three (3) bids for new grates at Albert's subdivision. Clyde Zelch Welding had come in the cheapest at \$800 a piece. Alderman Johnson made the motion to purchase six (6) grates from Clyde Zelch Welding for \$800 each. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

Next Chief Zelch stated that the police department had been talking to citizens about weeds, junk, etc. and was hoping to get the town cleaned up. Chief Zelch also spoke about the hassle of the Contractors license, but stated the Police Department would

continue to do their job on them. Finally, Chief Zelch asked for permission to take Tommie Lowe from Part-time to Full-time. Alderman McCormick made the motion to bring Tommie Lowe up to Full-time status and up to \$11.00/hour. Alderman Charboneau seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

Clerk Wheeler stated next that she had received word that the City had qualified for the Storm Siren Grant and should be receiving a letter in the mail shortly to tell us the next step to take. She also mentioned to the Board that they were changing around Bank Accounts due to the auditor’s request and asked permission to move the two (2) water savings accounts from Citizens Bank & United Bank of Union into either a CD or one (1) savings account. Alderman Johnson made a motion to allow Clerk Wheeler to move the accounts into one (1) savings account. Alderman Charboneau seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”. Alderman Johnson also asked Clerk Wheeler to look into when the CD that the city has with United Bank of Union comes due and to try and move it back to a bank in town.

Alderman McCormick spoke for Planning & Zoning. He stated that the P & Z Board had received their paperwork and would begin checking on their sections of town. They had also discussed the permit fees as requested by the Board.

Rich Pierce, Park Board President was next. He stated that he had talked with both Crawford Electric & Ameren UE about light poles. Crawford Electric had poles for \$560 they were 55 ft, class 2 poles but would have to order them. Ameren UE had the same poles for \$623 and they were in stock. The Park Board would discuss this at their next meeting, but they would probably like to purchase 4 poles from Ameren UE. Richard stated that Ameren is in town and they would also install for us. Alderman Charboneau made a motion to donate ½ of funds to the Park Department to get the poles. Mayor Schulte stated he should not be allowing kids to play on field when it is so dangerous and if something is not done soon he will have to shut the fields down. Alderman Charboneau again made the motion to donate ½ of the funds (\$1247.00) to the Park to get the light poles put up right away. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

The only item under Old Business was the Purchasing Policy. The Board reviewed and asked Clerk Wheeler to make a couple of changes for the next meeting before making final approval.

The bids for remodeling the City Hall were opened next. The bids were as follows:

Pohlmann Construction:	\$120,800;
Gildehaus Remodeling:	\$138,006;
Joers Construction:	\$142,800
M & E Concrete Forms:	\$9,209 (Foundation Only)
R & V Construction:	\$145,468.00

After reviewing the bids, Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to table accepting the bids until May 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 for a Special Meeting. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

The city wide bulk trash pick-up was discussed next. Alderman McCormick made a motion to hold the bulk trash pick-up on June 9<sup>th</sup>. Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

Mayor Schulte next mentioned to the citizens that the Board would be holding 3 Public Hearings for the upcoming Bond Election. They were scheduled for May 19<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm; May 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 pm and May 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Clerk Wheeler next asked for the approval of the 2008 year end financial statement to be published in the newspaper. Alderman Johnson made the motion to approve the statement. Alderman Luechtefeld seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted “aye”.

Ordinances were next on the agenda. Clerk Wheeler read Bill No. 2009-06 aloud two (2) times concerning water tap fees. Alderman Luechtefeld made the motion to approve Bill No. 2009-06 to become Ordinance No. 657. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Charboneau “no”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman McCormick “aye”; Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”. Bill No. 2009-06 becomes Ordinance No. 657 and will be made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Next Clerk Wheeler next read Bill No. 2009-07 aloud two (2) times concerning Park Board Appointments. Alderman, Johnson made the motion to approve Bill No. 2009-07 to become Ordinance No. 658. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, the voting was as follows: Alderman Charboneau “aye”; Alderman Johnson “aye”; Alderman McCormick “aye”; Alderman Luechtefeld “aye”. Bill No. 2009-07 becomes Ordinance No. 658 and will be made part of these minutes and the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gerald.

Mayor Schulte made his appointments to the Park Board next. He reappointed Kim Boyer and Ryan Angell for another 3 year term to expire in 2012. He also appointed Mike Midyett for a 3 year term to expire in 2012. There was still an opening for a 1 year unexpired term that he did not at this time make an appointment for. Park Board President Richard Pierce asked Mayor Schulte why he had not reappointed Julie Wilson to the Park Board. Mayor Schulte stated he had other people on the board that would resign if he did so. There was lots of discussion from the Board and from citizens on Julie Wilson. It was decided to table the appointments until the Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> meeting so Mayor Schulte could talk with Julie Wilson more about the appointment.

Mayor Schulte then made his appointments to the Planning & Zoning Board. He appointed Don Stewart, Roger Smith, and Tom Justice all for a 3 year term until 2012. James Quilacio was appointed to the unexpired term till 2010. Alderman McCormick

made the motion to accept the Mayor's appointments, Alderman Charboneau seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye".

The Mayor's Report was the final item on the agenda. He mentioned that he had attended a meeting about the 2010 Census and it was very important that we work hard to get it as accurate as possible. Mayor Schulte also briefly mentioned that the newsletter had went out, the Police Department was taking care of cleaning up town and that the grant writer will meet with the Park Board next week.

With no further business to discuss Alderman Luechtefeld made a motion to adjourn. Alderman McCormick seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted "aye". The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

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Mayor, Otis Schulte

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Sarah Wheeler

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Date