TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

06/08/2022

The Truesdale Board of Aldermen held a regular board meeting on Wednesday, June 8, 2022, 5:30 p.m. at the Truesdale City Hall, 109 Pinckney Street, Truesdale, MO. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was requested: Alderman Mike Thomas-present, Alderman Joe Brooks-present, Alderman Jerry Cannon-present, and Alderman Robert Green-present. City Clerk reported a quorum present. Also attending the meeting for Truesdale were Mayor Chris Watson, Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett, Attorney Katie Joyce, Treasurer Missy Bachamp, Utility Clerk Elise Morris, Chief of Police Casey Doyle, and City Clerk Elsa Smith-Fernandez. The guests in attendance were Dustin Loeffler (GG Sports Park), Lloyd Wideman (Warren County Fair Board).

Alderman Green made the motion to approve the agenda, motion was second by Alderman Thomas, motion passed with all present Aldermen approving. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the consent agenda, second by Alderman Thomas, motion passed with all present Aldermen approving.

Citizens Participation: Dustin Loeffler gave an update on the Good Games Sports Park, he stated that the opening date would be July 16, 2022. He also stated that he was looking for ideas for the 7 acres that he owns east of South Spoede. Ideas such as a splash pad, skate park, drive in movie, and outdoor volleyball was mentioned. Mr. Loeffler stated that maybe he could repurpose the containers to sell food out of.

Lloyd Wideman attended the meeting on behalf of the Warren County Fair Board, he is requesting approval to bring the parade through the city limits of Truesdale. The parade would come through Truesdale on Highway M and then turn on Pinckney Street to meet at the Warren Country R3 High School. The parade will be on July 3, 2022, line up will start at 2 o'clock and the parade will start at 4:00 pm. Chief Doyle stated that there weren’t any concerns granting permission to for the parade route to come through Truesdale. Alderman Green made the motion to grant permission for the Warren County Parade to come through Truesdale on July 3,2022, second by Alderman Cannon. A roll call vote was taken, Alderman Brooks-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, and Alderman Green-yes. Motion passed 4 yes/0 no votes.

Mr. Wideman expressed his interest in sponsoring an item at Bruer Park in honor of a family member, some ideas that were mentioned was poles for the Bruer Park Sign or a child’s bench.

Comments from the Mayor: Mayor Watson reported that he attended the Warren County MML meeting yesterday and there was a Candidate for State Representative that spoke. There will be an Executive meeting Retreat at Innsbrook for the Boonslick Regional Planning Commission. Mayor Watson talked about Railroad Days Summerfest, saying that it had a great turn out and he had received lots of compliments about the event. He also stated that he appreciated the time and effort everyone put into the event to make it a success.

Mayor Watson talked about the work that had been done at the outlet of the creek located at Austin drive. There were residents that were not happy about the finished product.

Comments from the Board of Aldermen: Alderman Cannon reported that he had received a text from the band that preformed at Railroad Days Summerfest, and that they said they would want to comeback and preform anytime.

Alderman Cannon informed the Board of Aldermen that he would be unavailable to attend the regular Board of Aldermen meeting on June 22, 2022. The budget would be reviewed and possibly approved at that meeting, along with yearly contracts and ordinances. It was suggested the meeting be moved to the following Wednesday, June 29, 2022, so that all Aldermen can be during this meeting, due to the nature of the contents. Alderman Green made the motion to approve moving the regular Board of Aldermen meeting from June 22, 2022, to June 29, 2022, second by Alderman Brooks. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Brooks-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, and Alderman Green-yes. Motion passed with 4 yes votes and 0 no votes.

Aldermen Brooks stated that the trunk or treat at Gastorf, Elks Lodge, and Creekside Place Church would be happening again this year and asked it the City of Truesdale would be able to participate. Elsa stated that we believe we can work it out for a representative from the city or police department to attend. The trunk or treat will be held on October 29,2022, from 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

Alderman Brooks informed the Board of Aldermen that he will not be able to attend the regular Board of Aldermen meeting on July 13, 2022.

Alderman Thomas mentioned that he was asked at the event about baby changing stations in the restrooms. Mark stated he would look into it.

Alderman Green stated he would really like us to check into the possibility of showing movies in the park. It had been previously stated that the city would need a license to show a movie to the public and that maybe we could partner with Rebecca Boone Elementary.

Update on Grants: There we no updates on Grants

Reports from Departments, Boards, and Committee:

City Clerk: Elsa reported that there was an outstanding water bill for the property located at 816 East Highway M, Truesdale, MO 63380 in the name of Stamm’s Rent All Center. The outstanding balance is a total of $348.92, that dates back to 07/01/2020. There have been multiple attempts to collect this debt. Elsa reported that there had been multiple deaths in the family, including our contacts for the account. Elsa requested this amount and account to be wrote off as bad debt, due to being uncollectable and there was no actual usage for the charges. The charges consisted of minimum charges, and penalties. Alderman Green made the motion to write the outstanding charges off as bad debt, second by Alderman Thomas. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Brooks-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes. Motion passed with a 4 yes vote and 0 no vote.

Elsa requested to set a date for the next budget work session, the date would be June 17,2022 at 5:15 pm.

Elsa reported that the worker’s compensation audit had been completed and that we were waiting on the report.

Elsa reminded the Board of Aldermen that she would be attending the Missouri Municipal League Training June 9th and 10th.

Public Works:

Mark stated that he had received the invoice (Invoice #2491) for 5 Star Electric for the labor and material for electrical work at Bruer Park in the amount of $1850.00. Alderman Green made the motion to approve payment for invoice #2491 from 5 Star Electric, second by Alderman Thomas. With a roll call vote as follows, Alderman Brooks-yes, Alderman Green-yes Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes,

Attorney: Attorney Joyce stated that she would be unable to attend the Regular Board of Aldermen meeting on September 14, 2022.

Chief of Police’s Report: There was nothing to report at this time.

Being no other business to come before the Board, Alderman Green made the motion to adjourn the meeting, second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving. Meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.

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Elsa Smith-Fernandez

City Clerk

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Chris Watson-Mayor