TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

February 26, 2020

The Truesdale Board of Aldermen held a board meeting on Wednesday, February 26, 2020, 5:30 p.m. in the board room at the Truesdale City Hall, 109 Pinckney Street, in Truesdale. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call of Aldermen was answered as follows: Alderman Stanley Brookshier-present, Alderman Mike Thomas-present, Alderman Jerry Cannon-present, and Alderman Robert Green-present. A full Board of Aldermen was present.

The following attended the meeting for the City were Mayor Chris Watson , Attorney Tim Joyce, Chief of Police Casey Doyle, Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett, Treasurer Elsa Smith-Fernandez and Administrator/City Clerk MaryLou Rainwater

Visitors attending the meeting were Scott Frankenberg of MKA, Dewayne Andrews, Jane and Wes Kelly, Bart Korman and daughter Alice Korman.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the invoice from Lewis-Bade on the Safe Room, Motion was second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the consent agenda, with the minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting and the treasurer’s report for the month of January 2020. Motion was second by Aldermen Thomas, with all Aldermen approving.

Citizens Participation: Bart Korman addressed the Board on changes made to the original design of the safe room and had a set of plans for the Board’s review. Some of the changes were as follows: (1) building was moved further north towards Smith Street (2) Two cisterns were located on the property and was taken into consideration on the placement of the building (3)

the building was lowered 2 ft due to soil samples results. It will be 1 ½ feet higher than the pavilion when completed. (4) ADA parking would be provided on the east side of building

(5) there will be a full concrete wall in the mechanical room to support the generator on the upper floor (6) windows were added to provide natural lighting. At this time, there are 15 windows at an estimated cost of $5,000 each. These can be removed as needed if bids are too high (7) entry door will be steel and at FEMA rating. (8) roof was flatted a little bit and (9) foundation walls will be 12 inch thick. FEMA will not approve a heat pump so the building will be heated by natural gas. It was noted that Chad Eggen from Boonslick is researching additional grants and is working on items that will be needed but will not be approved as part of the FEMA grant. Alderman Thomas questioned if someone wanted to help with the air conditioning how that would affect the grant. Bart said it would depend on if it was a cash donation towards the purchase or if they wanted to donate the air condition itself. More information would be needed from FEMA on this proposal.

Dewayne Andrews addressed the Board concerning a variance on lot 180 for 2 feet on the south side of the lot. It would make the set back line be 8’ on this side instead of the 10 feet required. This would allow a three-car garage for this property. Dewayne owns lot 179 and would provide a letter stating this to the City. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the 2-foot variance upon receiving the letter from Andrews, second by Alderman Thomas, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, and Alderman Brookshier-yes. Motion carried: 4 yes/0 no votes.

Wes and Jane Kelly and Scott Frankenberg addressed the Board concerning options for connection to the sewer for the lots at 743 Smith Street. The original discussion was to have a 8 inch lateral under Smith Street installed with a 6 inch line running east and west for the connection of the three mobile homes. They have been informed Warrenton would require engineering plans for the 8-inch line and would have to pay the fees for connection of the line plus the connections for the three mobile homes. The latest proposal is to bore Smith Street for three private lines and to do a 5' X 10' saw cut to allow crew to safely work to connect the service lines to the main line of the City. Two of the connections could be placed in the same area where there is room to work off the concrete street, which would then only require one saw cut. There is a permit fee of $100 and a bond of $400 to excavate within the City street. The bond is returned after one year if the street is returned to the same or better condition as it was prior to the work being done. This will still need to be approved by the City of Warrenton.

Mayor Watson stated the City of Truesdale is at the mercy of the City of Warrenton to approve the connections. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the plan with one saw cut on street upon Warrenton’s approval, second by Alderman Cannon, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Brookshier-yes, and Alderman Thomas-yes. Motion carried:4 yes/0 no votes.

Comments from Mayor Watson: Mayor Watson stated he met with Jeff Jaeger with concerns that he felt he was being treated unfairly in the subdivision and harassed while trying to do construction. He had several issues that Mayor Watson addressed but the Mayor stated that everyone (public and construction workers) have to obey the laws. Chief Doyle stated that patrol was done one day in the subdivision and 9 citations were issued and 7 of these were to residents living in Heritage Hills.

Mayor Watson informed the Board that he met with Jim Ledbetter on the Greater Warren County EDC. Several items were discussed including the plans to raise the dues. Mayor Watson stated he stressed the City would not pay any increase in dues at this time.

Mayor Watson stated Adam Rollins did a great article on the possible development east of Heritage Hills. It was noted when a public meeting is set up, the City should invite local state officials, emergency services, and the schools as they are all going to be impacted. It was suggested to require an engineer study on the City’s water system for the capacity to handle the increase of water usage for the new development. Concerns about additional water runoff into Heritage Hills have been expressed and this will need to be discussed at this meeting. No one has heard back from the City of Warrenton on the sewer yet and Mayor Watson asked Mark to follow up to see what the status is.

No comments from the Board of Aldermen at this time.

Report on bid openings and current projects:

Austin Drive Storm Drain project: Work has been completed on the Austin Drive storm drain project. The manhole has had dirt placed around it but it looked like it has settled and additional dirt will be needed. Other than the dirt needed at this manhole, all work has been completed. Alderman Thomas stated he is concerned about a small erosion along the creek area especially with just dirt. Mark will check this area. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the final payment of $7,438.62 to MKA Contracting, second by Alderman Thomas, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, and Alderman Green-yes. Motion carried: 4 yes/0 no votes.

Grant Updates: Approval has been received from the DNR Land and Conservation Fund on the engineering proposal of Cochran.

Administrator/City Clerk:

The City has received the first invoice from Lewis-Bade for work on the Saferoom in the amount of $19,000. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the invoice, second y Alderman Thomas, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, and Alderman Cannon-yes. The invoice will be send to FEMA for payment. The City will be responsible for 10% of the invoice ($1,900).

A sample of a letter informing the voters of the facts on the transportation sales tax was provided for the Board’s review. All the detail information was not included but wanted to be sure the Board was ok with this format to provide the information in the water bills. No objection was given. A public meeting to provide information and to respond to any questions concerning the transportation tax was set up for Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Also, it was decided to hold the first meeting on National Night Out and Railroad Days on Monday, March 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the City Hall.

The Administrator/City Clerk attended a FEMA meeting on February 14, 2020 at the Extension Center. FEMA is reviewing the flood area in the Cuiver Watershed and is looking at special flood hazard area. Bart Korman also attended the meeting and he did bring up the issue of Dieckman Farms, and the presenter made a note for this area to be checked. New digital maps will be available in the future. This was the preliminary meeting and there will be more meetings in the future.

Treasurer’s report: The all account balance sheet was provided to the Board. Elsa has started working on National Night Out and Railroad days.

Attorney’s report: The Police continue to write tickets including several on marijuana possession.

Attorney Joyce stated from all indication, the Police Department did nothing wrong in the incident with the stolen car, that ended with a private individual’s car being damaged by the suspect. The case has been turned over to the City’s insurance company, which has filed a claim.

Public Works Supervisor: Mark presented a new quote from Warrenton Steel for fabrication and delivering of the louvers covers with the City being responsible for installing them.The quote is for $389 for all three covers with primed finish. The estimate cost for the screws and time to install would be $38.00. Alderman Gibson made the motion to approve placement of the orders for the louvers covers, second by Alderman Cannon, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Thomas-abstained, Alderman Green-yes, and Alderman Cannon-yes. Motion passed: 3 yes and 1 abstained.

Flynn Drilling Company has completed the work at well #1 and the invoice of $7790 was presented for approval. Alderman Thomas made the motion to approve the payment to Flynn Drilling, second by Alderman Green, and roll call voted as follows: Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, and Alderman Brookshier-yes. Motion carried:4 yes/0 no votes.

The City has received the inspection reports from Suez on Well #1 and Well #2 towers. Well #1 needs to have the vent screen and the overflow pipe screen/flap gate replaced. It is will be scheduled for a wash out in 2020. Well #2 had light sediment and is scheduled for a visual in 2020.

Chief of Police’s Report: On March 4, the National Incident Based Reporting System is hosting training with additional training provided by Omnigo Software to assist in transitioning from UCR Report. Chief Doyle plans to attend this training.

The department also planned to send an application to the FBI for their GLEAM training. 50 applicants are accepted to attend this management level trailing. The fee is $450 and would be paid from the officer’s training fund.

The department has applied to participate in several traffic safety grants through the Missouri Department of Transportation. These grants include specific dates to enforce youth seat belt awareness, aggressive driving and impaired driving.

The Ford should be listed on Govdeals by the end of March.

There were 7 incident reports, 93 calls for service, 24 citations, and 24 warnings issued.

Report from various committees:

TAC Meeting: MaryLou did not attend due to illness.

Extension Center: Jerry did not attend due to illness.

Chamber meeting: The next meeting will be March 4, 2020.

Being no other business to come before the Board, Alderman Green made the motion to adjourn, second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving.

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MaryLou Rainwater, MRCC

Administrator/Clerk

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Chris Watson-Mayor