TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

March 11, 2020

The Truesdale Board of Aldermen held a regular meeting Wednesday, March 11, 2020, 5:30 p.m. at the Truesdale City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. A roll call was requested: Alderman Jerry Cannon-present, Alderman Stanley Brookshier-present, Alderman Robert Green-present, and Alderman Mike Thomas-present. City Treasurer reported a full Board was present. Others attending on behalf of the City were Mayor Chris Watson, Attorney Tim Joyce, Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett, Chief of Police Casey Doyle, Treasurer Elsa Smith. Administrator/City Clerk MaryLou Rainwater was absent due to attending the MCCFOA Conference in Columbia, MO; minutes were recorded by City Treasurer Elsa Smith-Fernandez. Visitors in attendance were Adam Rollins from The Warren County Record, Lee & Sandra Taylor, Rodger Wells and jeff Parisi.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the agenda with the additions of: Entering into a contract with Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Bruer Park LWCF project, Signing contracts with Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Truesdale Safe Room project, renewal of the Crime Policy, and the request for approval for a business license Warrenton/Truesdale second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes of the January 22,2020 and February 26,2020 board meeting and the invoices from February 2020. The motion was second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving.

Citizens Participation: Sandra and Lee Taylor attended the meeting to discuss two (2) meters in Belaire Mobile Home Park that had high readings. Sandra stated that 19 Belaire has had bills running two hundred dollars ($200.00). Public Works Supervisor Mark stated that there were two (2) adults and five (5) children living in the home, but when meters are to be read again at the end of March 2020 he will change out the meter with a new one. Sandra stated that 22 Belaire still has water running to the home when services should be disconnected as there are no renters currently living in the home. Mark reported that he had contacted Belaire Mobile Home Park Manager Chris Dempsey multiple times regarding this issue. Mr. Dempsey is aware that the in/out yoke would need to be replaced or repaired. Elsa informed the Board that bills have been sent to Mr. Dempsey for the water usage at 22 Belaire. Mr. Dempsey informed Mark that he had contact Tyler Null to repair the yoke but he hasn’t done it yet. Mark informed Mr. Dempsey that according to the city ordinance that he was subject to getting water services disconnected due to water leaking for more than five (5) days. Chief Doyle stated that failure to comply with the ordinance could result in fines and even imprisonment. Mayor Watson asked Attorney Tim Joyce to send letters to the owners and manager of the park regarding this issue.

Jeff Parisi approached the Board of Aldermen to seeking approval for a new business license for Warrenton/Truesdale Self Storage located at 200 Pinckney Street Truesdale, MO 63380. Chief Doyle asked Mr. Parisi what security measures he had in place. Mr. Parisi stated that he plans to have lights and security cameras but will not have a fence at this time. Chief Doyle asked if Mr. Parisi would be willing to work with the Truesdale Police Department on the placement of the security and cameras; Mr. Parisi agreed. Mr. Parisi also stated that there will be a program in place to identify his customers. Alderman Thomas made the motion to approve the business license for Warrenton/Truesdale Self Storage, pending completed paperwork. Second by Alderman Green. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Brookshier- yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, and Alderman Cannon- yes. Mayor Watson requested that Mr. Parisi stay in good communication with the City of Tuesdale.

Comments from Mayor Watson: Mayor Watson informed the Board of Aldermen that he had received a letter from the City of Warrenton denying sewer services for the proposed development of Truestone in Truesdale, MO. Mayor Watson stated it was a serious concern that the City of Warrenton will be denying any larger developments within the city limits of Truesdale for the next 5 to 7 years. Alderman Brookshier stated that the development would have benefited the whole county. Mayor Watson stated that the City of Warrenton is also requesting additional testing’s / Information from the City of Truesdale. Mayor Watson reported that BRPC had been looking into possible grants that would assist the city of Truesdale with the sewer issue.

Comments from the Board of Aldermen: Aldermen Thomas stated that George Portz and the friends of bluegrass would be available to play at the 2020 Railroad days. Alderman Green made the motion to enter into a contract with George Portz and the friends of bluegrass to play at the 2020 Railroad Days, second by Alderman Cannon. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes and Alderman Brookshier-yes. Motion passed with a 4 yes/0 no vote.

Reports from Departments, Boards, and Committees:

Administrator/City Clerk: Treasurer Elsa Smith-Fernandez requested approval for the renewal of the Worker’s Com Insurance provided by Missouri Rural Services. Alderman Green made the motion to renew the workers comp insurance, second by Alderman Thomas. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Brooksheir-yes, Alderman Green-yes. Motion Passed with a 4 yes/0 no vote.

Elsa reported that work has been started on the preliminary budget and that it would be necessary to set up a workshop for after the election.

Elsa requested approval to renew CUSI utility billing annual maintenance and technical support from 4/3/2020-4/30/20. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the Cusi utility billing annual maintenance and technical support, second by Alderman Thomas. A roll call was taken: Alderman Brooksheir-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes. Motion passed with all Aldermen voting yes.

Elsa informed the Board of Aldermen that there has been a request to enter a contract with Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Bruer Park LWCF project. Aldermen Green made the motion for the mayor to enter a contract with Boonslice Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Bruer Park LWCF project, second by Alderman Thomas. With a roll call as follows: Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Green-yes. Motion Passed with a 4 yes/0 no vote.

Elsa stated that a request has been to enter a contract with Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Truesdale Safe Room project. Alderman green Made the motion to enter a contract with Boonslick Regional Planning Commission for project management work on the Truesdale Safe Room project, second by Alderman Thomas. A roll call was taken: Alderman Green-yes, Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Brooksheir-yes and Alderman Thomas-yes. Motion carried, with a 4 yes/0 no vote.

Elsa requested the approval of the crime policy propasl from Zurich, Alderman Green made the motion to approve the crime policy proposal from Zurich, second by Alderman Thomas. With a roll call vote as follows: Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Green-yes. Motion passed with all Aldermen voting yes.

Attorney’s Report: Attorney Joyce stated that the Truesdale Police Department has submitted some good cases and that he had been in contact with Chief Doyle to see if those who have received tickets have had priors.

Public Works Supervisor: Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett reported that Jim Baker with Warrenton Oil had contacted the Truesdale City Hall to inquire about a permit to extend the parking lot with gravel. According to Ordinance No. 433 Section 400.640 (B) commercial parking can only be on concrete or asphalt. Warrenton Oil has had the gravel parking lot in place before the ordinance was passed the Board of Aldermen agreed that the ordinance pertains to new businesses and that Warrenton Oil is grandfathered in and would be able to add gravel to extend their parking lot.

Mark informed the Board of Aldermen that as the weather allows, he will be working on clearing out ditches.

Chief of Police: Chief Casey Doyle reported that he was on a web-based call with the Governor

to combat COVID-19 and that he was informed that several testing kits would be issued along with funds from the Federal Government to the state. Chief Doyle informed the Board that additional items were purchased to help protect Truesdale Officers who must respond to crime scenes or assist people with COVID-19. Chief Doyle stated the police department will soon be working on ordinance violations

There was a total of 8 incident reports, 102 calls.

Committee Reports: The next TAC meeting for the Administrator will be May 21,2020.

Alderman Brookshier reported on the Chamber board meeting stating that the License Bureau will be moving offices on Saturday, March 14,2020; the move will cost around $40,000.00 and that volunteers were needed to help with the move. The new office space will allow for one more station.

The next meeting of the University Extension Center will be March 30, 2020. Alderman Cannon reported that the University Extension Center annual dinner will be held on March 23, 2020.

Alderman Cannon also reported that he is working with the city of Bunker Hill, IL to provide a headstone for Mr. William Truesdale; Alderman Cannon stated that he plans to reach out to other organizations who could potentially help.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

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Elsa Smith-Fernandez

City Treasurer

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Chris Watson-Mayor