TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

May 22, 2019

The Truesdale Board of Aldermen held their regular meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at the Truesdale City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Watson requested a roll call; a roll call was given by the Deputy Clerk as follows: Alderman Mike Thomas-present, Alderman Robert Green-present, Alderman Jerry Cannon- present and Alderman Stanley Brookshier-present. The Deputy Clerk stated that a quorum was present. Others attending for the City were Mayor Chris Watson, Attorney Tim Joyce, Chief of Police Rich Black, Deputy Clerk Elsa Smith-Fernandez, Treasurer Esther Smith. Administrator/Clerk MaryLou Rainwater is on vacation: Minutes were taken by Deputy Clerk Elsa Smith-Fernandez. Public attending the meeting were Gary Scott and Clyde Moore.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the agenda, motion was second by Alderman Thomas. Motion passed with all Aldermen approving. Alderman Green made the motion to approve the consent agenda, motion was second by Alderman Thomas. Motion passed with all Aldermen approving.

Public Comments:

Clyde Moore approached the Board of Alderman seeking approval for a business license. Clyde stated that he currently owns and operates Moore’s Unlimited Auto Sales in Foriestell, MO and is wanting to move his business to the city of Truesdale. Mr. Moore informed the Board of Aldermen that he would have a total of eight to ten vehicles on the lot at one time; vehicles consisting of cars, trucks or SUV’s. He would be operating the business at 1040 E. Veterans Memorial Parkway, Truesdale, MO 63380 (the former Harts Sport Shop location). Gary Scott is the owner of the property that Clyde Moore would be occupying to operate his business. Mr. Moore stated that he would not be preforming auto repairs: The most he would be doing at the location in Truesdale would be washing and presenting vehicles to the customer. Mr. Moore and Mr. Scott both confirmed that there would not be any changes to the building. Elsa reported that all forms have been completed and fees have been paid. Alderman Green made the motion to approve a business license for Moore’s Unlimited Auto Sales, second by Alderman Thomas. A roll call vote as follows: Alderman Brooksheir- yes, Alderman Cannon- yes, Alderman Green- yes, and Alderman Thomas- yes. Motion carried with a 4 yes/0 no vote.

Comments from Mayor Watson:

Mayor Watson reported that the Concert in the Park held on May 17,2019 at 7:00 pm was a success. Alderman Cannon stated that he had counted 166 people and there were still people coming.

Mayor Watson reported that he met with Mr. Keeven, owner of the Countryside Mobile Home Park in Truesdale. Mr. Keeven stated that he would be handing all his assets to his children. There was discussion of the possibility of pulling all the mobile homes from the park and replacing them with new ones.

Mayor Watson informed the board that he spoke with Wanda Thomas from Community Gardens about the new shed for Community Gardens, that’s on the property on Conrad Circle owned by the city. The new shed costing around $750.00 was purchased to replace a previous shed that had been damaged. With the shed being on city property, the Board of Aldermen decided that it would be in the best interest for the city to purchase the shed from Wanda Thomas for the cost of $200.00. Alderman Green made the motion to purchase the shed that is on city owned property from Wanda Thomas for $200.00, second by Alderman Thomas. Motion passed, with a roll call as follows: Alderman Cannon-yes, Alderman Thomas-yes, Alderman Brookshier-yes, Alderman Green-yes. 4 yes/0 no vote.

Comments from Board of Aldermen:

Alderman Thomas stated that the situation with the builders in Heritage Hills is ongoing, there is siding in the yards and grass that needs to be cut. It was suggested by Mayor Watson that the appropriate citations and tickets should be given for each individual lot that is in violation of the ordinance.

Alderman Cannon stated that the privacy fence between Warren County Storage and 907 South Street needed to be maintained.

Alderman Brookshier reported that the Brownies troop had their bridge ceremony at Bruer Park and the parents were very impressed.

Reports from Departments, Boards, and Committees:

Administrator: The Administrator MaryLou Rainwater was out of town on Vacation and would return to the office on May 28, 2019; Elsa would report on behalf of the City Administrator. Elsa stated that MaryLou has information pertaining to Farmer’s Markets available for the Aldermen to review. Elsa stated that MaryLou had emailed information in reference to Boonslick Regional Planning Commission summer help program to the Board of Alderman.

Deputy Clerk: Elsa reported that she had received administrative access to the city’s website and has been working on building the website through Godaddy.com.

Attorney Joyce: Attorney Joyce reported that there had been some good tickets.

Public Works Supervisor: Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett did not attend the meeting; he gave notes to the Deputy Clerk to report. Elsa reported that the barbeque pit for Bruer has arrived and will be installed next week. Elsa informed the Board that Mark is still waiting on two bids for the fence at Bruer Park, he will contact the other companies tomorrow. Elsa also informed the Board that Mark would be putting up flags in honor of Memorial Day if the weather permitted.

Police Department: Chief Black reported that the Truesdale Police Department had a dunk booth and raised $364.00 for the Special Olympics at the Rebecca Boone Elementary field day.

Chief Black reported that he had received prices for two new shotguns for the Police Department from Acme Sports. The shotguns would have fourteen-inch barrels to make it easier to maneuver and fit in the police cars. The cost for both shotguns would be $675.00 after a trade in credit for $300.00 for the current shotguns used by the police department. Mayor Watson suggested that the Chief check prices with Brockfeld’s in Truesdale. No Decision to purchase the shotguns was made at this time. The cost amount could be approved by the Mayor if purchase needed to be made prior to the next Board of Aldermen meeting.

Chief Black stated that the Special Olympics Torch Run will be Next Thursday on May 30, 2019 and that Coca Cola will be donating drinks.

Report from Aldermen on various committees:

Alderman Brookshier stated that the next Chamber meeting is on June 5,2019

Alderman Cannon reported that the next University Extension Center meeting will be held on June 24th.

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

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Elsa Smith-Fernandez

Deputy Clerk

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Chris Watson-Mayor