**TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2019**

The Truesdale Board of Aldermen held a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 11, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at the Truesdale City Hall, 109 Pinckney Street, Truesdale, MO 63380. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was requested and answered as followed: Alderman Robert Green-present, Alderman Stanley Brookshier-present, Alderman Mike Thomas-present, and Alderman Jerry Cannon-present. A full board was reported present. Others attending were Mayor Chris Watson, Attorney Kathleen Gorman, Chief of Police Casey Doyle, Public Works Supervisor Mark Bennett, City Treasurer Esther Smith, Deputy Clerk Esther Smith, and City Administrator/City Clerk MaryLou Rainwater. There were no visitors.

Mayor Watson called the meeting to order. A moment of silence was observed for 9-11.

Alderman Green made the motion to approve the agenda after adding the bill for the contract for Bax Illustration for Artist Illustration for Railroad Days. Motion was second by Alderman Thomas, with all Aldermen approving. Aldermen Green made the motion to approve the consent agenda with the addition of the minutes from the Public Hearing, second by Alderman Cannon, with all Aldermen approving.

Comments from Mayor Watson: Mayor Watson stated the locks still need to be installed for the restrooms. The installation will require program to be connected to a laptop.

Mayor stated the City has received a sponsorship donation from Mark’s Automotive, Hart’s Collision, Alouise Marschel and Charlee Darling.

Comments from Aldermen: Alderman Thomas stated he wanted to invite the property owners in Heritage Hills which has property adjacent to the creek between Cynthia Drive and Mike Drive, Jeff Jaeger and Dewayne Andrews (the two builders doing construction in the area) to attend the meeting on September 28, 2019 to discuss the creek and the issues of vegetation and debris causing the creek to change its channel. Attorney Gorman stated the City has an easement in the area but the ground still belongs to property owners. The City does have ordinance on erosion and sediment control in Chapter 400.

Mayor Watson stated no more warnings should be issued if builders are not following the City ordinances as the City needs to show the residents that we are working to improve the situation.

It was reported a Semi turned into the subdivision and had a hard time getting back out. It was suggested to but a sign at the entrance that stated “No Thru Streets”. The issue of parking boats and campers on city streets were discussed. The City said states it must be attached to a motor vehicle.

Alderman Thomas stated he would check on the information on the Christmas tree for Bruer Park.

It was discussed that Homecoming for Warren County R-3 is the same date as Railroad Days on October 5, 2019. Chief Doyle will follow up with the school to see what needs to be done within the City of Truesdale.

Report on Bid Openings and Current Projects: A Pre-construction meeting will be held on September 12, 2019, 8:30 a.m. at the Truesdale City Hall for the Austin Drive Storm drain project. At this time, the Notice to Proceed will be issued by Mayor Watson. There was discussion between Public Works Supervisor and the engineer on a possible change order, but the engineer did not attend the meeting to discuss this with the Board.

Report from Departments, Boards, and Committees:

Administrator/City Clerk: The LIFT Disability Board will host BOOST Yard Games and Bruer Park on September 19, 2019 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

The Warren County Trail Marker Tree Dedication will be Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. at the Schnucks Bent Oak Plaza. The Board is invited and need to RSVP if they are going.

Deputy Clerk: The Deputy Clerk discussed Railroad Days, and the need for volunteers. She stated she has 8 games set up and will be using the Circus theme for the children area.

Treasurer: The Treasurer informed the board she will be resigning as of October 11, 2019.

Attorney: Attorney Gorman stated she was not given any information to provide to the Board from Attorney Joyce.

Public Works Supervisor:

The picnic tables and benches have been received from the Scrap Tire Grant and are put together. They are very heavy and additional manpower will be needed to move them to the park. There is an area at the Park that needs additional dirt and MKA stated they would dump dirt in the area but it is still too wet at this time. The cameras are up at the park and they are waiting to obtain the password to finish setting them up.

The Public Works Supervisor has been working with the ISO on the required paperwork for the fire department. He also plans to start a flushing program and he will need to notify the residents prior to the flushing.

The plans are to work on the area before entering Belaire as there is debris in the area causing water issue. The Public Works Supervisor did discuss the issue with the park manager.

The transition ramp needed for the wheelchair ramp has not been received yet.

Chief of Police: The Chief provided a written report for the Board of Aldermen, ( Copy is attached to original minutes). The Police Department has worked out an agreement with the President of Benchrest for qualification for the rest of this year at no cost and a reduce rate of $250 annually starting in October 2020.

Photos of the new police car with the detailing was provided. Equipment is being installed and the vehicle should be ready beginning of October.

Committee reports: No new reports was submitted from the Tax Committee, the Chamber meeting, or the University Extension Center.

Bills/Ordinances: Alderman Green introduced Bill #36-2019 for the first reading, second by Alderman Thomas: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF TRUESDALE OR AN AUTHORIZED MEMBER OF THE TRUESDALE BOARD OF ALDERMEN TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND BAX ILLUSTRATION LLC FOR ARTIST ILLUSTRATION FOR RAILROAD DAYS ON OCTOBER 5, 2019, 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.

Alderman Green introduced Bill #36-2019 for the second and final reading, second by Alderman Thomas, 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. This will now be Ordinance #893.

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.

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MaryLou Rainwater, MRCC

Administrator/Clerk

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Chris Watson-Mayor