



**MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
OCTOBER 28, 2024  
28 S DRAKE AVE  
CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI 64119**

Those in attendance: Chairman Terry Bradich, Trustee Mark Benton, Trustee Larry Barrera, Trustee David Jett, Trustee Renee Hoppe-Keelin, Village Clerk Melody Wymore, Police Capt. Andy Lorensen, Fire Chief Steve Shaumeyer

Chairman Bradich called the Regular Meeting of October 28, 2024, to order at 7:00 PM.

Trustee Barrera led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Trustee Benton motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 14, 2024; Trustee Barrera seconded. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Barrera motioned to approve the Payment of Bills for October 11, 2024, through October 24, 2024, seconded by Trustee Hoppe-Keelin. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (North). Trustee Barrera motioned to approve the Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (North). Motion seconded by Trustee Jett. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (East). Trustee Benton motioned to approve the Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (East). Motion seconded by Trustee Hoppe-Keelin. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich brought for discussion: Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (West). Trustee Jett motioned to approve the Sign Permit for Abelardo's at for 455 NE 69 Highway (West). Motion seconded by Trustee Benton. Roll call: Trustee Barrera: Yea, Trustee Jett: Yea, Trustee Benton: Yea, Trustee Hoppe-Keelin: Yea, Chairman Bradich: Yea. Motion carried.

Trustee Benton presented the award for the 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner of the Halloween Decorating Contest. (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners were not in attendance.)

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Police Capt. Lorensen had no old news.

Fire Chief Shaumeyer introduced Joey from our bond company to update on the purchase of the new fire equipment. Joey further explained the hand-out given to the Trustees. Voters were promised \$.11, current projections are \$.10 (and it may go lower). Resident Cindy asked about the estimated \$100k that may be left over. Joey answered that it can only be used for new/replacement fire equipment or payment towards the principle of the bond. Fire Chief Shaumeyer added that it is possible that not all of the equipment from the old apparatuses will transfer to the new apparatuses, so it may be necessary for them to purchase new equipment for that reason. He reiterated that any left-over money will go back into bond payments.

Village Clerk Wymore shared that she has narrowed down options to interview for Public Works.

Public Works had no old news.

EDC/absent.

Dale, from Zoning, shared that Brandie was at their last meeting, but has stepped away, since she is no longer a resident.

Resident Dan asked about our Fire Station hosting KCFD #34. Chief Shaumeyer explained that we are hosting KCFD #34 staff and equipment for 3-6 months. In return they are giving us free dispatch services for 2 years. (\$96,000 value) Resident Dan asked if their equipment was being kept there too. Chief Shaumeyer confirmed that their Ambulance and Pumper are being housed there as well. Dan asked if there is enough room for all those vehicles in the station. Chief Shaumeyer informed that "It is very tight, but yes". The Pumper that doesn't run is parked behind the station. The back-up ambulance is being stored at the Eastwood Facility. The first out truck and first out ambulance share the garage with KCFD's rigs. It is not costing us to store the ambulance. The Eastwood Facility is located at 435 & Eastwood.

Resident Cindy asked about the entry in Payment of Bills for \$841.05 for "Adopt a family". Village Clerk Wymore said that it was an error in code entry.

Trustee Barrera shared that our trouble spots (Emerson & Whittier) seem to be doing better. He questioned about the semi-truck that was parked on Whittier. A resident added that they have seen the truck parked at the top of the hill, facing the wrong direction (on Whittier), every morning. Capt. Lorensen said he thought that truck had been ticketed already, but he would check into it.

Trustee Jett asked how our new Police recruit, Anthony Curiale was doing at the academy. Capt. Lorensen shared that he and Capt. Bruner went to visit him last week and he is doing well. He has been donating his time on the weekends to ride-alongs and training at the station. He is expected to graduate in December.

Trustee Benton shared that the Trunk-Or-Treat event went very well. Good weather. Lots of participation, residents, businesses, and churches. Hayrides were well received. Our Fire and Police departments were represented. Look forward to the upcoming Christmas decorations.

Trustee Hoppe-Keelin shared that someone is dumping at Park & Emerson.

Chairman Bradich had no old business.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Police Capt. Lorensen shared that he and Det. O’Roark applied for a MODOT grant for 2 new Lidar (Laser) units. The grant they secured was for \$4,657.38. Current units are Radar (Dopler) and are 12-15 years old. There is a need for Body Cams. He and Officer Golubski contacted Arkansas City, KS PD and they agreed to give us 2 Watchguard in-car cameras and some working body cams as well. Capt. Lorensen added that there is a need to update the security camera in and around CPD/City Hall. There are several that don’t work properly and some that don’t work at all. He and Village Clerk Wymore are getting prices. They estimate the cost to be around \$1,500.

Fire Chief Shaumeyer had no new business.

Village Clerk Wymore had no new business.

Public Works had no new business.

EDC/Absent.

Dale, from Zoning announced that they have a new member. Christine Shore was welcomed to the Zoning Board and thanked for joining.

Resident Daryl stated that he had several items for “New Business” but stipulated that he only wanted answers from Chairman Bradich. Chairman Bradich declined since this meeting is an open forum, he would need to schedule a meeting with the Chairman for another time. Resident Daryl stated that he would call the A.G. (Attorney General). That was welcomed by Chairman Bradich. Resident Daryl asked about the purchase of the 4x4 (side-by-side). He wanted to know at which meeting the decision was made to purchase the 4x4. Chairman Bradich shared that it was in the Annual Budget. Resident Daryl stated that it was nowhere in the Meeting Minutes. Chairman Bradich explained that it did not have to be in the Meeting Minutes because it was approved in the annual budget. Resident Daryl stated that he has a copy of the budget and wanted to know where it was in the budget. Village Clerk Wymore offered to help them find the item

line on their copy of the budget. Resident Daryl asked when there was a vote to purchase the 4x4. He stated that the vote must take place in a Board Meeting and therefore should be in Meeting Minutes. (Inaudible. Resident Daryl and Chairman Bradich talking over each other.) Resident Daryl stated that he has read Board Meeting Minutes from February 2024 through September and hadn't seen anything about the purchase of the 4x4. He added that he was going to contact the A.G. again, Chairman Bradich was agreeable to that. Resident Cindy encouraged him to "continue". Resident Daryl said he was not going to continue, mentioned again that he would be contacting the A.G. Chairman Bradich thanked him for his time and asked him to take his seat. He refused because his questions were not being answered. Chairman Bradich again, thanked him for his time and asked Capt. Lorensen to remove him from the meeting.

Resident Marj asked if anyone knew of the cause of the big water leak on Munger. Chairman Bradich shared that KC Water had repaired it and it seemed to be taken care of.

*The meeting continued. There was discussion between Resident Dale and Trustee Barrera. Audio could not be heard over Resident Cindy repeatedly saying she was going to call the A.G. and calling Trustee Hoppe-Keelin a name. At that time Capt. Lorensen was asked to remove her from the meeting as well.*

Trustee Barrera and Trustee Jett had no new business.

Trustee Benton said that he was excited about the upcoming Christmas Decorating Contest.

Trustee Hoppe-Keelin announced the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be Saturday, November 30, 5:30PM, at Mildred Keeney Memorial Park.

Chairman Bradich shared that today (10/28/24) was First Responders Appreciation Day. He thanked our first responders and added that when there was an active shooter call at Ford. Our Police and Fire responded to the call along with several other agencies. He shared his appreciation for those responders as well. Trustee Benton added that all first responders enter without question or hesitation, when everybody else is headed out.

There was no further business with the Board.

There was no reason to go into Executive Session.

Trustee Barrera motioned to recess the regular meeting of October 28, 2024, seconded by Trustee Jett. All yeas. Motion carried.

Chairman Bradich thanked everyone for coming.

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Village Clerk Melody Wymore

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Chairman of the Board Terry Bradich