# City of Elsberry Regular Session April 8th, 2025 Elsberry City Hall

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Elsberry met on the evening of the above date at Elsberry City Hall, 6:30pm. Mayor Wilch presided over the meeting. Present were Alderman Harper, Alderman Hale, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Jennifer Hunter, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Nora Hunter, City Clerk Rachel Reed, and City Collector Tammy Ridings. Also present were Lucas Drullinger, Taylor Burnett, and Brian Pieper of Alliance Water Resources.

Mayor Wilch called the meeting to order. The pledge of Allegiance was said and roll call deemed a quorum present.

Alderman Harper made a motion to amend the agenda to allow Sue Beck to talk about some money she is possibly found for the City. Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Harper-yes, Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N. Hunter-yes

#### Reading and acting are unapproved minutes from previous meetings

Alderman Rockwell made motion to approve the unapproved minutes. Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

Harper-yes, Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes

Motion Carried.

#### Reading of unpaid bills approval to pay report

Alderman Harper made motion to approve the unapproved minutes. Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

Harper-yes, Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes

Motion Carried.

#### **Project updates**

Boonslick Regional Planning- No new information USDA- WWTF has started Cochran- WWTF has started

## PETITIONS, REMONSTRANCES, COMPLAINTS AND REQUESTS AND THE HEARING OF ANY PERSON OR GROUP DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD, EACH OF WHOM HAVE FILED PRIOR REQUESTS TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODE 24.105 PUBLIC HEARING A REQUIRED BY LAW OR ORDINANCE

## ACTING ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### Scheduling second meeting in April

Alderman Meyer made a motion to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm Alderman J Hunter seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes, Harper-yes

Motion carried.

#### Purchasing mats for the Cemetery

The cemetery committee met and made a recommendation of purchasing the 12 mats from Checkers in the amount of \$3208.71.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to approve the Checker's bid. Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote

Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes, Harper-yes, Hale-yes

Motion carried

#### Approval of Police Chief attending Police Chiefs conference

Alderman Hale made a motion to approve the Chief attending the Chiefs conference Alderman J Hunter seconded the motion Roll call vote

Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes, Harper-yes, Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes

Sue Beck

Mrs. Beck let the board know that there is money available from class action law suits. There is a settlement available. City Clerk Rachel Reed said that we have already done it.

## **READING OF BILLS REQUIRING ONLY A FINAL READING FOR PASSAGE** None

## **INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS FOR PASSAGE**

## **RESOLUTIONS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION OF THE BOARD**

## **REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS AND COMMITEES**

Library- nothing to report

Cemetery/Parks- nothing to report

Infrastructure- Alderman Hale would like to get the pot holes fixed

**Emergency Services**- Alderman Hale asked about the police car and how long it would be in the shop

Tree Board- nothing to report

## **REPORTS OF ALDERMAN AND MAYOR**

<u>Mayor Wilch</u>- Mayor Wilch said the police car is in the shop.

<u>Alderman Harper</u>- Alderman Harper has spoken with Brent Weiss and will be setting up a meeting with DNR about pfas

<u>Alderman Hale</u>- Alderman Hale stated that it was a previous board who voted on the ordinance regarding public comment

Alderman Rockwell- nothing to report

Alderman Jen Hunter- nothing to report

Alderman Meyer- nothing to report

<u>Alderman Nora Hunter – nothing to report</u>

**REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICERS** 

City Attorney Robert Guinness- nothing for open session

<u>Alliance Water Resources –</u> Taylor went over the ops report. The storm drain at Baskett and Lincoln needs repaired.

<u>Police Chief Dwayne Lewis</u>-Chief Davis is looking for people to work here having a hard time. City Clerk Rachel Reed- will be attending a Pfas seminar Friday in Kansas City

City Collector Tammy Ridings- Nothing to report

City Treasurer Lisa Grumich-Nothing to report

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

None

## PUBLIC COMMENT BY ANY PERSON OR GROUP DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD WHO HAS NOT FILED A PRIOR REQUEST TO BE PLACED ON THE AGENDA IN COMPLIANCE WITH CITY CODE 24.105

Chris Wright- Mr. Wright, would like to find a solution with getting an occupancy permit. He has been trying to get a permit for 5 months. Mr. Guinness said that Mr. Wright was given something in writing and hasn't responded to it yet.

Craig Cox- Mr. Cox has concerns about the cemetery and said that guys should be hand digging graves when the weather doesn't allow. He also doesn't think that funerals should be pushed back due to weather. He doesn't understand why the water was ignored and not taken care of along the way. He would like to see more money go to the police department. He announced he will be running for Mayor next year.

Marijo Lagemann- Ms. Lagemann would like to see better communication between the City and citizens. She would like to see if we can get alerts on Channel 4

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Meyer made a motion to adjourn. Alderman J. Hunter seconded that motion. Harper-yes, Hale-yes, Rockwell-yes, J Hunter-yes, Meyer-yes, N Hunter-yes

Motion Carried.

Nayes-0 Motion carried. Open session adjourned at 7:19 pm