

**City of Elsberry  
Regular Session  
June 8th, 2021  
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 Short presided over the meeting. Present were Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell, City Attorney Rob Guinness, City Clerk Rachel Reed, City Treasurer Brooke Cerutti, City Treasurer Rebecca Miller and Police Chief Randy Davis. Also present were Justin Reaves and Ron Smith of Alliance Water Resources. Alderman Wilch as absent.

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

Mayor Short asked to have the agenda amended to add the Salt order for the 2021-2022 winter season.

Alderman Miller made a motion to amend the agenda to include the salt order for the 2021-2022 winter season.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

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

Alderman Harper made motion to approve the unapproved minutes.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

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

Alderman Davis made a motion to pay unpaid bills.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

### **Accepting Resignation of Rebecca Miller**

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to accept the resignation to Rebecca Miller.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

### **Appointment of City Treasurer**

Mayor Short would like to appoint Lisa Grumich to City Treasurer

Alderman Harper made a motion to accept the appointment of Lisa Grumich to City Treasurer.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

### **Project updates**

Boonslick- nothing to report

USDA- nothing to report

Meco Engineering Jim Bensman- Mr. Bensman let the board know that everything has been submitted to USDA. Mayor Short asked why this is taking so long. Mr. Bensman said that there have been a lot of changes, redesign due to cost and other minor changes. Mayor Short asked if

Mr. Bensmen thinks we will have enough money now. Mr. Bensmen said yes, he thinks that bids will be good.

**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**

Gary Anderson – Mr. Anderson asked to have his billed looked at because he has had a water leak for several months and it was not caught because the meter was not getting read properly. City Clerk Rachel Reed went over the bill with Mr. Anderson and let him know that he can ask for an abatement.

Alderman Miller made a motion to table this until the board can investigate it a little more.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

Alderman Harper made a motion to not disconnect until this matter is resolved.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

Rich Sadler- Mr. Sadler would like a payment agreement on the money that is due from his sewer being capped. His sewer was capped due to non-payment and stealing sewer services. City Clerk Rachel Reed said that Mr. Sadler has had three payments agreements and his not followed through on any of them. Mr. Sadler said that he is currently living in the residence without water and sewer.

Alderman Miller made a motion to give Mr. Sadler and 12-month payment plan on the \$1076 that is due.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

### **PUBLIC HEARING A REQUIRED BY LAW OR ORDINANCE**

No Public Hearings

### **ACTING ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **Mobile Ticketing**

Alderman Harper made a motion to move this to ordinance section of the agenda.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

#### **Acid Wash on well #3**

Justin is still working on this.

Alderman Davis made a motion to table this until the next meeting.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

#### **Purchasing Police Car**

City Clerk Rachel Reed said that the interest from the lender Ally was high at 5.99%. She reached out to People's Bank and Trust and First Mid Bank and Trust. People's Bank and Trust would be able to offer 1.95% and First Mid Bank and Trust can offer 2.5%.

Alderman Davis made a motion to go with People's Bank and Trust.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

**Bid for Ray Robison cleanup from New Hope Salvage.**

Alderman Davis made a motion to accept the bid from New Hope Salvage.

Alderman Taylor seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell  
NAYES-Alderman Miller  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Liquor License Renewals**

**Elsberry IGA-** Original package liquor, original package liquor on Sunday and tasting permit.

Alderman Miller made a motion to approve Elsberry IGA's liquor license application.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman  
Rockwell  
NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

**VFW Post 9064-** Liquor by the drink by exempt organizations and liquor by the drink on  
Sunday

Alderman Harper made a motion to approve VFW Post 9064 liquor license application.

Alderman Taylor seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman  
Rockwell  
NAYES-0  
Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried.

**Dos Primos-** Liquor by the drink and Liquor by the drink on Sunday.

Alderman Davis made a motion to approve Dos Primos liquor license application.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

**Casey's General Store-** Original Package Liquor and Original Package on Sunday

Alderman Miller made a motion to approve Casey's General Store liquor license application.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

**Abel's Quik Shop-**Original package liquor and original package on Sunday

Alderman Taylor made a motion to approve Abel's Quik Shop liquor license application.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

**Shooter's Saloon-** Original package liquor, original package liquor on Sunday, liquor by the drink and liquor by the drink on Sunday

Alderman Harper made a motion to approve Shooter's Saloon liquor license application.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

**Dollar General-Original package liquor**

Alderman Davis made a motion to approve Dollar General's liquor license application.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

**American Legion- Liquor by the drink by exempt organizations and liquor by the drink on Sunday.**

Alderman Harper made a motion to approve the American Legion's liquor license application.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

**AJ's Tex Mex and Barbeque- Liquor by the drink and liquor by the drink on Sunday**

Alderman Davis made a motion to approve AJ's Tex Mex and Barbeque liquor license application.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

**Family Dollar Store- Original package liquor and original package liquor on Sunday**

Alderman Harper made a motion to approve Family Dollar Store's liquor license application.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch  
Motion Carried

**Proclamation for Elsberry Highschool Baseball Team**

Mayor Short let the board know that he has done a proclamation for the Elsberry boys baseball team for placing fourth in the State final four tournament.

**Request for variance to repair and replace head stones for the Jones family**

Pam Stewart said that the Jones family would like to replace some headstones so they match the other stones that were just replaced. They would like to do this without the apron. Justin Reaves said this would not be an issue when mowing. Pam Stewart would like to charge them the \$50 per stone since they will be putting a new foundation underneath them.

Alderman Davis made a motion to make an exception to allow these headstones to be replaced without an apron, but to charge the \$50 per headstone inspection fee.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

**Salt Order**

Tony Steele contacted Rachel Reed about the salt order for the 21-22 winter season. The past 3 years we are ordered 75 ton but have run short. Justin Reaves agrees that we should order 100 ton.

Alderman Miller made a motion to ask for 100 ton to salt.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

AYES- Alderman Taylor, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried



## **READING OF BILLS REQUIRING ONLY A FINAL READING FOR PASSAGE**

None

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

### **Bill 2021-06-001**

The board considered bill 2021-06-001 to enter into an agreement with Rejis for mobile ticketing.

Alderman Taylor made a motion to read two times by title only.

Alderman Davis seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Alderman Taylor-yes, Alderman Harper-yes, Alderman Miller-yes, Alderman Davis-yes, Alderman Rockwell-yes

AYES- 5

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

City Attorney Robert Guinness read bill 2021-06-001 twice but title only.

Alderman Taylor made a motion to adopt.

Alderman Miller seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Alderman Rockwell- yes, Alderman Davis-yes, Alderman Miller-yes, Alderman Taylor-yes, Alderman Harper-yes

AYES-5

NAYES-0

Absent- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried.

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

## **REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES**

**Library**- nothing to report

**Cemetery**-nothing to report

**Infrastructure**- nothing to report

**Emergency Services**- nothing to report

**Page Branch Park**- nothing to report

**Old Glory Jubilee**- nothing to report

**Tree Board**- nothing to report

### **REPORTS OF ALDERMAN AND MAYOR**

**Mayor Short**- Mayor Short would like the board to start thinking about what we are going to do with the American Rescue Acts funds. He would also like the infrastructure committee to start looking at street repairs that need to be made.

**Alderman Miller**- nothing to report

**Alderman Taylor**- Alderman Taylor would like to know if there is another sidewalk grant available?

**Alderman Harper**- Alderman Harper would like something done about Jeff Ivy's property on Main St.

**Alderman Wilch**- absent

**Alderman Davis**-Mentioned that Steen's Power washing has power washed he bricks at the flagpole and it looks much better. Alderman Harper asked about the light that was on the flag that was taken down and would like to know who took it down. Chief Davis said that he saw Ameren take it down. City attorney Robert Guinness would like to send Ameren a letter saying that it was taken down and needs to be put back up.

**Alderman Rockwell**-nothing to report

### **REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICERS**

**City Attorney Robert Guinness**- nothing for open session

**Alliance Manager Justin Reaves**- Justin gave everyone a quote for to filter media replacement that can be discussed at the next meeting.

**Police Chief Randy Davis**- nothing to report

**City Clerk Rachel Reed**- nothing to report

**City Collector Brooklyn Cerutti**- nothing to report

**City Treasurer Rebecca Miller**-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**

**VOTE TO TAKE UP BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED IN CLOSED SESSION**

Alderman Miller made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to RSMo section 610.021021 (1) Legal actions, causes of action, litigation, or confidential or privileged communications with its attorneys. (3) Hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting of particular employees.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Alderman Miller-yes, Alderman Taylor-yes, Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman Harper -yes  
Alderman Davis-yes

AYES-5

NAYES-0

ABSENT- Alderman Wilch

Motion Carried

Closed Session started at 8:15 P.M.

**Resume Open session**

Mayor Short resumed open session at 9:13 pm

**ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Taylor made a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Miller seconded that motion.

AYES – Alderman Taylor, Alderman Davis, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Harper, Alderman Miller

NAYES-0

ABSENT- Alderman Wilch

Motion carried.

Open session meeting was adjourned at 9:14 P.M.

