

**City of Elsberry  
Regular Session  
November 12th, 2024  
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 Hale, Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Jen Hunter, Alderman Meyer, Alderman Nora Hunter, City Clerk Rachel Reed, City Collector Tashua Chiodini, and Police Chief Dwayne Lewis. Also present were Lucas Drullinger, Taylor Burnett, and Brian Pieper of Alliance Water Resources. Alderman Harper was absent at the time of roll call but joined the meeting at 6:31pm.

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

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

Alderman Rockwell made motion to approve the unapproved minutes.  
Alderman J. Hunter seconded the motion.

Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman Hale-yes, Alderman Meyer-yes, Alderman J. Hunter-yes,  
Alderman N.Hunter-yes  
Motion Carried.

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

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

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

**Project updates**

Boonslick Regional Planning- nothing new to report

USDA- nothing new to report

Cochran-Brian with Cochran said they will have a preliminary report done Jan 15<sup>th</sup> and a final report March 15<sup>th</sup>. They will also come up between these dates to go over the report.

He also said that the wastewater contract signing will be done after December 10<sup>th</sup>. The notice to proceed will be around January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**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 Tires for the Black Dump Truck

There were 3 bids for tires. The bid from Rick's repair did not include mounting and balancing.

Rick's Repair -\$414

Jackson's \$418.14

Plaza Tire Service \$460.94

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to purchase tires from Jackson's automotive

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote

Alderman Harper-yes, Alderman Hale-yes, Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman J. Hunter-yes,

Alderman Meyer-yes, Alderman N. Hunter

Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Louis Houston abatement request for 210 N 4<sup>th</sup>

City Collector Tashua Chiodini said that Louis Houston had a water leak in the yard at 210 N 4<sup>th</sup>.

He is asking to have the sewer abated. The total abatement would be \$ 119.20.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to approve the abatement for \$119.20.

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

Alderman Hale-yes, Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman J. Hunter-yes, Alderman Meyer-yes,

Alderman N. Hunter-yes, Alderman Harper-yes

Motion carried.

Alliance contract adjustment letter

Alliance Water resources has sent a letter with the proposal for the contract adjustment for 2025.

The fee will go up 2.5%.

Accepting Officer Keating's resignation

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to accept resignation

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote

Alderman Rockwell-yes, Alderman J. Hunter-yes, Alderman Meyer-yes, Alderman N. Hunter-

yes, Alderman Harper-yes, Alderman Hale-yes

Motion carried.

Hiring part time/full time police officers

Chief Lewis would like to take the 2 part-time positions and make them full-time positions. He is having a hard time finding officers that want to work part time. The board would like budget numbers prepared for the emergency services budget meeting.

Cage for Explorer

The cage the was given to us was not for our car. We will need to get bids for a cage

Decommission and sale of old police cars

The old cars need to have the decals and all equipment taken off of them. Mayor Wilch said that there is an individual that is willing to do this for us.

Alderman N Hunter made a motion to spend the maximum of \$150 per car.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

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

Motion carried.

Health Insurance Renewal

The renewal of employee health insurance is a small increase of .5%.

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to approve the renewal.

Alderman Harper seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

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

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

None

**INTRODUCTION AND READING OF BILLS FOR PASSAGE**

Bill 2024-11-001

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELSBERRY, MISSOURI, TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO, AND TO EXECUTE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, A CONTRACT WITH KCI CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW 336,000 GALLON PER DAY WASTE WATER TREATMENT FACILITY AND RELATED SERVICES FOR A STIPULATED PRICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH A REQUEST FOR BIDS ISSUED BY THE CITY OF ELSBERRY UPON THE APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS BY THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT

OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE CITY OF ELSBERRY'S FUNDING AGENCIES FOR THIS PROJECT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ELSBERRY, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the City of Elsberry is authorized to enter into, and to execute, on behalf of the City, a contract with KCI Construction Company for the construction of a new 336,000 Gallon Per Day Waste Water Treatment Facility and related services for a stipulated price in accordance with a request for bids issued by the City of Elsberry upon the approval of the Contract Documents by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the City of Elsberry's funding agencies for this Project. The Mayor is also authorized to carry out and perform the terms of this agreement on behalf of the City, including executing all necessary authorizations and other documents required to carry out the terms of the agreement upon the approval of the Contract Documents by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the City of Elsberry's funding agencies for this Project. A copy of the contract is attached to this Ordinance

**SECTION 2. Effective Upon Passage**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

Read two times and passed this \_\_\_\_ day of November \_\_\_\_, 2024.

The board considered Bill 2024-11-001

Alderman Meyer made a motion to read Bill 2024-11-001 2 times by title only.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion.

Roll Call

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

City Attorney Robert Guinness read bill 2024-11-001 2 times by title only

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to adopt bill 2024-11-001

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote

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

Bill 2024-11-002

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELSBERRY, MISSOURI, TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR MAYOR PRO TEM TO ENTER INTO, AND TO EXECUTE, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY, AN AMENDMENT TO THE CITY OF ELSBERRY'S CONTRACT WITH DONALD MARTIN CONSTRUCTION INCORPORATED TO PERFORM DEMOLITION SERVICES FOR FOUR

ADDITIONAL DERELICT STRUCTURES FOR THE CITY'S DERELICT STRUCTURES  
DEMOLITION PROGRAM.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF ELSBERRY,  
MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1.** The Mayor of the City of Elsberry is authorized to enter into, and to execute, a an Amendment to the City of Elsberry's Contract with Donald Martin Construction Incorporated on behalf of the City of Elsberry to perform demolition services for four additional derelict structures for the City's derelict structures demolition program. The Mayor is also authorized to carry out and perform the terms of this agreement on behalf of the City, including executing all necessary authorizations and other documents required to carry out the terms of the agreement. The terms of the Contract are attached to this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2. Effective Upon Passage**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

Read two times and passed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of November 2024.

The board considered bill 2024-11-002

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to read 2 times by title only.

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll Call vote

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

City Attorney Robert Guinness read bill 2024-11-002 2 times by title only

Alderman Rockwell made a motion to adopt bill 2024-11-002.

Alderman Meyer seconded the motion.

Roll call vote

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

Motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS WHICH REQUIRE ACTION OF THE BOARD**

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL BOARDS AND COMMITEES**

**Library-** nothing to report

**Cemetery/Parks-** nothing to report

**Infrastructure-** nothing to report

**Emergency Services**- Meeting next Wednesday at 5:30

**Tree Board**- nothing to report

**REPORTS OF ALDERMAN AND MAYOR**

**Mayor Wilch**- The street sweeper is working again and he thanked Alliance for picking up the headstone in the cemetery.

**Alderman Harper**- Alderman Harper would like the agenda posted on the front of the building and not the side of the building. She also asked about the vandalism with the kids and if anything had been done about it. Chief Lewis said that officer Sutton took care of the situation.

**Alderman Hale**- nothing to report

**Alderman Rockwell**- Alderman Rockwell was very happy with the way Halloween went.

**Alderman Jen Hunter**-Alderman Hunter would like to ask about the curfew for kids. The curfew is 10:30pm during the week and 11:30 on the weekends.

**Alderman Meyer**- nothing to report

**Alderman Nora Hunter** – Alderman Hunter has checked with several cities in the state of Missouri and none of the Alderman give out personal numbers. She also had a lot of complaints about the streets in Hillcrest being closed on Halloween. A lot of the residents said they would have liked to have been asked about the street closures before they did it.

**REPORTS OF CITY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICERS**

**City Attorney Robert Guinness**- Nothing for open session.

**Alliance Water Resources** – Taylor went over the ops report.

**Police Chief Dwayne Lewis**-nothing to report

**City Clerk Rachel Reed**- Rachel asked for the committees to have budget meetings. She also let everyone know that we are doing Christmas in the Park and there will be a parade.

**City Collector Tashua Chiodini**- 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**

Sue Beck made a complaint about the police not doing what they should have done when her business was vandalized.

Robert Guinness let everyone know that there will be an open house the Library for Sarah Hunt's retirement. It will be December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 4-6pm.

Leanna Buenemen loved Halloween in Hillcrest.

Linda Sherrow would like a better way for the police department to respond and to return phone calls.

**Vote to take up business to be conducted in closed session.**

Alderman Meyer made a motion to close the meeting pursuant to RSMo Section 610.021 (1) Legal actions, causes of action, litigation, or confidential or privileged communications with its attorneys(3) Hiring, firing, disciplining of particular employees (13) Individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records to pertaining to employess(14) Records which are protected from disclosure by law. (19)(D) Operational guidelines, policies and specific response plans developed, adopted, or maintained by any public agency responsible for law enforcement, public safety, first response, or public health for use in responding to or preventing any critical incident which has the potential to endanger individual or public safety or health.

Alderman Rockwell seconded the motion

Roll Call vote

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

Motion carried.

Closed session began at 7:36 pm

Open session resumed at 7:52 pm

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Alderman Meyer made a motion to adjourn.

Alderman Rockwell seconded that motion.

AYES-Alderman Rockwell, Alderman Hale, Alderman J. Hunter, Alderman N. Hunter, Alderman Harper, Alderman Meyer

Nayes-0

Motion carried.

Open session adjourned at 7:53 pm

