

## **Council Meeting Minutes**

**November 16, 2015**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, November 16, 2015 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Dorn Crawford and Councilors Darrell Shelton, Nancy Zinner, Laura Stevens, Tony Williams and Joanne Bader. Also present were Chief of Police Douglas Sweeney, City Engineer Brad Derrick, City Attorney Steve Emery and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

### **Call to Order**

Mayor Crawford called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. He opened the floor for public comments.

### **Public Comments**

Pete Becker, 3105 Chickadee – Mr. Becker noted that the residents of Audubon Park pay Jefferson County taxes and wanted to know if the city could receive monetary assistance with repaving the street. The City Engineer stated that he has approached Metro and the answer is no.

The Mayor introduced Pat Mulvihill, the Metro District 10 Councilman. Mr. Mulvihill gave a synopsis of this campaign, personal life and his vision for District 10. Joanne Bader asked Mr. Mulvihill his effective date in office. He replied that he was sworn into office Saturday, November 14, 2015. Ms. Bader asked that his contact information be forwarded to the City to post on the city Webpage.

### **New Business**

The Mayor asked for a motion to amend the agenda, to move up the new business of filling the vacancy on the Council. Darrell Shelton made a motion to amend the agenda. Joanne Bader seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. There were two candidates. Jonathan Kapp, 1121 Dove Road, gave a brief synopsis of this personal and professional life, and his qualifications. The other candidate was Drew Perkins, 1131 Dove, who also presented his information. The Councilors asked a couple of questions of both candidates. The Councilors wrote down their choice and passed the slips to the Mayor. The Mayor, after reviewing the slips, asked for a motion to appoint Drew Perkins as the new City Councilor. Joanne Bader made a motion to appoint Drew Perkins to fill the vacant seat on the City Council in the City of Audubon Park. Nancy Zinner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. The Mayor executed the Oath of Office and congratulated Mr. Perkins. The bio's for both candidates are included as part of these minutes.

### **Attorney's Remarks**

Mr. Emery reported that the City had been granted an extension on the recodification of the ordinances to January 29<sup>th</sup>. He did note that he still has some concerns with that date.

### **Financial Report**

The Mayor introduced Susan Gordinier, the temporary bookkeeper. He reviewed the reports and invited the Councilors to ask Susan any questions or concerns. Ms. Bader asked about the negative number that is reflected under Property Taxes. Susan noted that one of the homes was reassessed and a refund was due. Ms. Bader questioned the dollar amount of \$870.00 expense under Parks & Recreation. Susan explained that was the expenses for the Auktoberfest. Nancy Zinner questioned 2 lines under Public Works - Supplies and Equipment 5452-10 and 5490-10 Auto Insurance, in reference to the new truck

and snow removal equipment. The Mayor answered the question in that the savings on the price of the truck will compensate for the increase dollar cost to insure the new truck. The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the financial report. Darrell Shelton made a motion to accept the financial report. Laura Stevens seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. The financial report is included as part of these minutes.

The Mayor gave a high level review and invited the councilors to review the draft report of the audit.

### **Engineer Report**

Brad Derrick noted that Flynn Brothers were awarded this year's road repair contract. The plan they presented is to complete pothole patching over the next several weeks, weather permitting. Crack sealing should be completed before yearend. Some of the milling and paving at intersections may wait until warmer weather.

Mr. Derrick has also been working on the sinkhole in Henderson Park. He and Jason, public works person, has devised a solution to prevent that area from re-opening. There were lots of comments about sinkholes throughout the City.

The Mayor provided an update on the entrance lights.

### **Police Report**

Chief Sweeney reviewed the police report. The Chief reported that the department will participating in the Toys for Tots Drive. Chief Sweeney noted that the department has been accredited for another 5 years and the accreditation will save the City 10% on the liability insurance.

### **Forest Board Report**

Gil Zinner noted that the Forest Board ordinance draft is completed.

### **Unfinished Business**

The Mayor present the meeting minutes for October 19<sup>th</sup> for approval. He asked for a motion to approve. Joanne Bader made a motion to approve the minutes. Darrell Shelton seconded and the motion passed with 4 in favor 2 abstain. (Nancy Zinner and Drew Perkins abstained)

The Mayor presented the updated Overlay District with the update from the public hearing on November 10<sup>th</sup>. He asked the City Clerk for the first reading of the updated version.

Laura Stevens reviewed the action item report. The Mayor updated the item of record management. He noted that the City has obtained filing cabinets.

### **Mayor's Report**

Mayor Crawford discussed areas of the ordinances that will need additional help. There were lengthy conversations about the changes that are necessary to bring the ordinances up to date.

The Mayor opened the conversations for Waste Management. He suggested that the City get a survey out to the residents. The survey/questionnaire giving several choices of services that the residents would prefer. Joanne Bader noted that the Garden Club has hired people to distribute the fliers for the Christmas Party and maybe we need to piggyback on that to get the surveys out. There were conversations on how to get the surveys back from the residents and about a franchise arrangement.

Tony Williams noted that the Garden Club and the City Hall have established PayPal accounts. These accounts were established for the residents to make tax deductions for City improvements. There were conversations about projects that need funding.

Tony and Darrell started the conversation on the fiscal calendar and the items on that list that needed to be addressed this month and December.

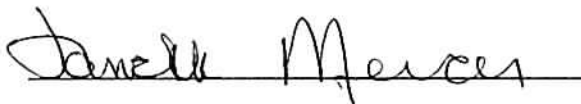
**Closing Public Comments**

Gill Zinner, 3315 Wren Rd – Mr. Zinner noted that Mayor Scalise’s opinion was that the sinkholes were cause MSD. The Mayor was supposed to try and get MSD to repair and fix the sinkholes. Tony Williams and the City Engineer explained that MSD was not responsible for the sinkholes, because this was City property.

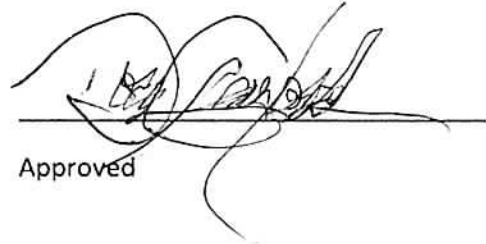
Nancy Zinner made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Darrell Shelton seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is December 21, 2015 at 7:00 PM.



Attested



Approved