

Minutes
CITY OF DIAMOND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
February 13, 2023 Open Session

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mike Navarro called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING PRAYER: Board President Michael Badley opened the meeting with prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Mike Navarro led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: City Clerk Shelley Loyd did roll call. Present were: Mayor Mike Navarro, Treasurer Amy Thomlinson, Alderman Brandon Poindexter, Alderman Kyley Patterson and Board President Michael Badley. A quorum was present.

ALSO REPRESENTING THE CITY: Water Supervisor Ron Callis, Brandon Cheek with the Street Department, Jessica Frazier Court Clerk, Chandler Breshears City Collector, Zach Dunaway an employee of the City and Nick Frazier, Project Manager and Wastewater Supervisor. Also present was Justin Pryor with Harry S Truman Coordinating Council.

APPROVING THE AGENDA:

Treasurer Amy Thomlinson made the motion to approve the agenda with the addition of a Closed Session pertaining to vote to close part of this meeting pursuant to Section 610.012.13 RSMo individually identifiable personnel records, performance ratings or records pertaining to employees are protected from disclosure by law. Alderman Kyley Patterson seconded the motion.

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| • Board President Michael Badley | Yes |
| • Alderman Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • Treasurer Amy Thomlinson | Yes |
| • Alderman Kyley Patterson | Yes |
| • Nays | None |

APPROVING THE MINUTES:

Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to approve the Minutes from the January 9th, 2023 Open and Closed Sessions. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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| • Board President Michael Badley | Abstain |
| • Alderman Brandon Poindexter | Yes |
| • Treasurer Amy Thomlinson | Yes |
| • Alderman Kyley Patterson | Yes |
| • Nays | None |

OPEN FORUM:

NEW BUSINESS:

OLD BUSINESS:

The Mayor and the Board of Alderman reviewed the Taser Procedure for the Police Department. There was concern from the Board concerning the wording in Section B-1. It states that it may be requested by a Parent, guardian, Teacher or person entrusted with the care of a minor for the minor to be tased. The Board would like the wording changed to permission and/or request in Section B-1. Alderman Kyley Patterson made the motion to accept the policy with the wording change as requested. Alderman Brandon Poindexter seconded the motion.

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| • Board President Michael Badley | Yes |
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- Alderman Brandon Poindexter Yes
- Treasurer Amy Thomlinson Yes
- Alderman Kyle Patterson Yes
- Nays None

The next item the Mayor brought to the Board is the fee that is paid to the City Prosecutor and Attorney. The Prosecutor/City Attorney is currently paid at a rate of \$100.00 per hour to appear at Court and to take care of legal items for the City of Diamond. He has suggested an increase to \$200.00 per hour for these services. It was determined that this issue would be tabled until after the April General Election.

The Mayor informed the Board that since there was not a candidate for the West Ward Alderman for the April General Election, that if someone is interested in that position they can go to the County Clerk's office in Neosho, MO and get certified to be a write in candidate. They must do this before March 24, 2023.

The Mayor gave a brief review of the City of Joplin Regionalization plans for the sewer system. The Mayor and Project Manager/Waster Water Superintendent attended the meeting and said there was a discussion of a feasibility study for the sewer system and there would be no cost to the City of Diamond.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS:

- Chief of Police-Submitted written reports
- Court Clerk- Submitted written reports.
- City Clerk -Submitted written reports.
- City Collector- Submitted written report.
- Water Superintendent-Submitted written reports.
- Waste Water Superintendent-Submitted written report. Waste Water Superintendent informed the Board that he had submitted the annual INI and Maintenance and Operations Reports.
- Street Superintendent – Submitted written report

MAYOR/BOARD REPORTS:

The Mayor informed the Board that he had heard from MoDot concerning the study they had done at the intersection of Hwy 59 and Hwy J (Casey's). They had determined that it is a possible candidate for a traffic signal.

The Mayor also told the Board about an event that George Washington Carver will be having on May 25 of this year. It is a Naturalization ceremony and they will have people from 20 countries becoming citizens. They have asked the Mayor to speak at the event.

The Mayor introduced Justin Pryer to the Board who is with TAC (Transportation Advisory Committee). At a meeting, one of the topics was the intersection of Hwy 59 and FF Hwy. Mr. Pryor states that TAC helps with what MoDot can't do or things that get overlooked.

REPORTS OF CITY COMMITTEES:

- Planning & Zoning Committee- The Mayor informed the Board that the Planning and Zoning meetings will become quarterly unless things that require attention come up in between.
- Park Board Committee –

CLOSED SESSION:

Treasurer Amy Thomlinson made the motion to go into Closed Session at 6:40 PM. Board President Michael Badley seconded the motion.

- Board President Michael Badley Yes
- Alderman Brandon Poindexter Yes

- Treasurer Amy Thomlinson Yes
- Alderman Kyley Patterson Yes
- Nays None

PAYABLES:

After reviewing the bills, listed and unlisted Treasurer Amy Thomlinson made the Motion to approve paying the bills. Alderman Kyley Patterson seconded the motion.

- Board President Michael Badley Yes
- Alderman Brandon Poindexter Yes
- Treasurer Amy Thomlinson Yes
- Alderman Kyley Patterson Yes
- Nays None

ADJOURN:

- All business having been presented and addressed, Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to adjourn at 6:49 P.M. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

- Board President Michael Badley Yes
- Alderman Brandon Poindexter Yes
- Treasurer Amy Thomlinson Yes
- Alderman Kyley Patterson Yes
- Nays None

Minute's approved March 13, 2023

Mike Navarro
Mike Navarro, Mayor

Shelley Loyd
Shelley Loyd, City Clerk

