

Minutes
CITY OF DIAMOND BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
December 12, 2022 Open Session

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

OPENING PRAYER: Mayor Mike Navarro opened the meeting with prayer.

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

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

ALSO REPRESENTING THE CITY: Water Supervisor Ron Callis, Waste Water Supervisor Nick Frazier, Brandon Cheek with the Street Department, Jessica Frazier Court Clerk, Chandler Breshears City Collector, Officer Couch and Officer Joseph of the Diamond Police Department.

APPROVING THE AGENDA:

Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to approve the agenda. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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

APPROVING THE MINUTES:

Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to approve the Minutes from the November 14, 2022 Open and Closed Sessions. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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

Mayor Mike Navarro presented the Employee of the Month Award to Water Supervisor Ron Callis.

OPEN FORUM:

NEW BUSINESS:

The Mayor gave a review of the new health insurance rates from Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield. He informed the Board that there will be a 9% increase over last year's rates. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson made the motion to stay with the City's current health insurance provider. Alderman Brandon Poindexter seconded the motion.

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

The Mayor next informed the Board of the annual rate increase proposed by Allied Waste Services. The rate increases are based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) which currently is 4.77%. This would bring the rate that the citizens are charged for basic trash to \$16.00 (sixteen dollars and no cents) per month. For senior citizens the rate would increase to \$11.40 (eleven dollars and 40 cents) per month. For Commercial trash customers the rate will be \$24.00 (twenty-four dollars and no cents) per month.

The Mayor explained to the Board the MESA agreement between the City of Diamond and Liberty Utilities. Alderman Poindexter questioned why the studies in the agreement were from 2012 and Treasurer Amy Thomlinson wondered why the paperwork still said Empire District Electric Company instead of Liberty Utilities.

RESOLUTIONS, BILLS, AND ORDINANCES:

The Mayor read the Bill concerning the MESA agreement between the City of Diamond and Liberty Utilities. The Bill was not assigned a number as it was stated in the agreement that a number wouldn't be assigned until the final reading at the January 9, 2023 Board Meeting. At that time the Mayor will have the second reading of the Bill.

The Mayor had the first reading of Bill No. 12122022 Ordinance No. 492 an ordinance amending Section 700.030, Ordinance No. 482 pertaining to the rates for trash collection for the City of Diamond, Missouri.

After the second reading of Bill No. 12122022 Ordinance No. 492 Treasurer Amy Thomlinson made the motion to approve the bill as read. Board President Michael Badley seconded the motion.

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

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.
- Street Superintendent – Submitted written report

MAYOR/BOARD REPORTS:

The Mayor recapped the meeting that he and Public Works Director Nick Frazier had with Algier Martin and David Weaver concerning a grant to run a pipe from Diamond to Joplin to pump Sewage. It was stated that the grant would pay for 100% of the study. The Board agreed that they were interested in this study and also possibly retaining Algier Martin for this project.

Officer Dalton Couch and Officer DeSean Joseph addressed the Board concerning their thoughts that the Chief of Police Mike Jones should be given a pay increase. They also thanked the Board for their recent pay increase.

REPORTS OF CITY COMMITTEES:

- Planning & Zoning Committee-
- Park Board Committee –

CLOSED SESSION:

Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to go into Closed Session at 6:45 PM. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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

After returning from Closed Session the Board signed Bill No 12122022 Ordinance No. 492 pertaining to rates for trash collection for the City.

PAYABLES:

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

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

ADJOURN:

- All business having been presented and addressed, Alderman Brandon Poindexter made the motion to adjourn at 6:56 P.M. Treasurer Amy Thomlinson seconded the motion.

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

Minute's approved January 9, 2023

Mike Navarro
Mike Navarro, Mayor

Shelley Loyd
Shelley Loyd, City Clerk

