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## MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING Portageville City Hall April 14, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the City of Portageville Board of Aldermen was held on Thursday, April 14, 2022, at City Hall, 301 E Main St. Mayor Dennis R. Walker II called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** 

**Council Members Present** 

Council Members Absent

Alderman McCrate Alderman Adams Alderman Hollingshead Alderman Johnston

Following roll call, the City Clerk reported that a quorum was present.

Also present were:

Rachel Wrather, City Clerk

Mike Cook Al DeLisle Jonathan Patton Angela Lunbeck Cameron Hollingshead

Edna Robinson Shirley Estes Susan Warren Greg Gowan Stephanie Ivie

Floyd Simmons

George DeLisle

Callie Roberts

Teresa Roberts Chris Stinnett

Patty Johnson

Carol Bowden

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Johnston and unanimously carried, to approve the agenda as submitted.

ORDINANCES OR RESOLUTIONS

There was none.

**PUBLIC FORUM** 

Mayor Walker asked if there were any visitors present who would like to address the Board of Alderman. There were none.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

#### PCDC FIRE TRUCK

Mayor Walker stated that Jason Hartke, USDA, had submitted the grant application through the Portageville Community Development Corporation to obtain funding for the purchase a new fire truck. Unfortunately, the state did not proceed with the original funding plan due to the lack of funds and offered the Portageville Community Development Corporation \$90,000 in grant funding toward the purchase, which was a decrease in grant funding of approximately \$46,000.00. This loss would be added to the loan increasing the annual payments; however, the corporation had the option to extend the loan from the previous 15-year loan to a 20-year loan with the same interest rate of 2.5%. Discussion followed. Alderman Johnston made a motion to proceed with the purchase and extend the loan to 20 years. Alderman Adams seconded. All members voted in favor.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

#### SEATING ARRANGEMENT

Mayor Walker stated that there had been mention of changine the seating arrangement of the members of the Board so that there would be an Alderman from each ward on each side of the Mayor. Discussion followed. Alderman Johnston made a motion to leave the seating arrangement as is with Alderman Ward I members seated on the east side of the Mayor and Alderman Ward II members seated on the west side. Alderman McCrate seconded. All members voted in favor.

#### PARK MOWING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Mayor Walker informed the Board of Aldermen that there had been some discussion as to whether it would be cheaper for the City if the Board of Alderman where to bid out the mowing of the City parks instead of the Street Department spending their time with the task. Discussion followed. Motion was made by Alderman Adams to advertise for bids for the mowing of McCrate Park, Meatte Park, Adams Park, Foster Park, and the half lot adjacent to Foster Park. Alderman McCrate seconded. All members voted in favor.

# MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Walker asked if there were any comments from any members of the Board of Alderman.

Mayor Walker informed the Board of Alderman that Municipal Court Clerk, Abbie Kimball, had turned in her resignation to Judge Stinnett. Mayor Walker asked for a motion to advertise for her position. Alderman McCrate made the motion and Alderman Adams seconded. All members voted in favor.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Moved by Alderman Johnston, seconded by Alderman Adams to adjourn to Executive Session in accordance with Section 610-021.1 RSMo to discuss litigation.

The vote thereon was as follows:

Alderman McCrate "Aye" Alderman Adams "Aye" Alderman Hollingshead "Aye" Alderman Johnston "Aye"

Motion was made by Alderman McCrate and seconded by Alderman Adams to adjourn back to regular session at 7:50 p.m.

Roll call was as follows:

Alderman McCrate "Aye" Alderman Adams "Aye" Alderman Hollingshead "Aye" Alderman Johnston "Aye"

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Budget Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 301 East Main, Portageville.

Public Hearing for alley abandonment will be held on May 2, 2022 at 5:15 p.m. followed by Building Commission at 5:45 p.m. and the regular monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 301 E Main, Portageville.

**ADJOURNMENT** 

There being no further business, moved by Alderman McCrate, seconded by Alderman Johnston and unanimously carried, to adjourn at 7:51 p.m.

Rachel Wrather City Clerk Dennis R. Walker II

Mayor

