

MINUTES
RAYTOWN BOARD OF ALDERMEN
FEBRUARY 17, 2015
REGULAR SESSION NO. 45
RAYTOWN CITY HALL
10000 EAST 59TH STREET
RAYTOWN, MISSOURI 64133

OPENING SESSION
7:00 P.M.

Mayor Pro Tem Steve Mock called the February 17, 2015 Board of Alderman meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Sue Klotz provided the invocation and led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

The roll was called and the attendance was as follows:

Alderman Pat Ertz, Alderman Jason Greene, Alderman Bill Van Buskirk, Alderman Janet Emerson, Alderman Josh Greene, Alderman Charlotte Melson, Alderman Jim Aziere, Alderman Steve Mock, Alderman Michael Lightfoot

Absent: Alderman Joe Creamer

Public Comments

None.

Communication from the Mayor

Steve Mock, Mayor Pro Tem reminded residents to check on elderly residents and make sure pets are taken care of in the cold weather.

Communication from the City Administrator

Mahesh Sharma, City Administrator, thanked Public Works for their work in keeping the City streets clean. Mr. Sharma also thanked Tony Mesa for keeping the Governing Body informed about weather and street conditions.

Mr. Sharma spoke regarding the resolution to hire Mark Loughry as the City's Finance Director.

Committee Reports

Alderman Josh Green reminded residents to check on each other during the cold weather.

Alderman Janet Emerson announced the Human Relations Commission was scheduled to meet February 19, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Alderman Emerson thanked Public Works for keeping the streets clean.

Alderman Bill Van Buskirk thanked Tony Mesa for his weather and street condition updates.

Alderman Michael Lightfoot announced the Government Relations Committee is scheduled to have a roundtable discussion February 19, 2015 at 8:00 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

1. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Aldermen and will be enacted by one motion without separate discussion or debate. The Mayor or a member of the Board of Aldermen may request that any item be removed from the consent agenda. If there is no objection by the remaining members of the board, such item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately. If there is an objection, the item may only be removed by a motion and vote of the board.

Approval of the Regular February 3, 2015 Board of Aldermen meeting minutes.

Alderman Ertz, seconded by Alderman Melson, made a motion to approve the consent agenda. The motion was approved by a vote of 9-0-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Ertz, Melson, Mock, Josh Greene, Lightfoot, Jason Greene, Van Buskirk, Aziere, Emerson

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Creamer

REGULAR AGENDA

2. **R-2743-15: A RESOLUTION** AUTHORIZING AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF RAYTOWN AND MARK LOUGHRY AS FINANCE DIRECTOR FOR THE CITY. Point of Contact: Mahesh Sharma, City Administrator.

The resolution was read by title only by Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

Mahesh Sharma, City Administrator, provided the Staff Report and remained available for discussion.

Discussion included how the Board was happy to see Mr. Loughry return as Finance Director.

Alderman Ertz, seconded by Alderman Emerson made a motion to adopt. The motion was approved by a vote of 9-0-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Ertz, Emerson, Melson, Lightfoot, Aziere, Mock, Josh Greene, Van Buskirk, Jason Greene

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Creamer

3. **R-2744-15: A RESOLUTION** AMENDING RESOLUTION R-2681-14 RELATED TO CHARTER COMMISSION EXPENSES AND INCREASING THE TOTAL BUDGETED AMOUNT TO AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000.00 AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BUDGET. Point of Contact: Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

The resolution was read by title only by Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

No discussion.

Alderman Emerson, seconded by Alderman Melson made a motion to adopt. The motion was approved by a vote of 9-0-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Emerson, Melson, Jason Greene, Van Buskirk, Josh Greene, Ertz, Aziere, Mock, Lightfoot

Nays: None

Absent: Alderman Creamer

4. **R-2745-15: A RESOLUTION** AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING PARTICIPATION BY THE CITY IN THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HIGHWAY SAFETY CRASH REDUCTION/HAZARDOUS MOVING ENFORCEMENT PROJECT AND AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING IN CONNECTION WITH THE HIGHWAY SAFETY CRASH REDUCTION/HAZARDOUS MOVING ENFORCEMENT GRANT FOR SUCH PURPOSES. Point of Contact: Jim Lynch, Police Chief.

The resolution was read by title only by Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

Jim Lynch, Police Chief, provided the Staff Report and remained available for discussion.

Discussion included if the City had to match funds under the proposed grant.

Alderman Van Buskirk, seconded by Alderman Jason Greene made a motion to adopt. The motion was approved by a vote of 9-0-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Van Buskirk, Jason Greene, Josh Greene, Aziere, Emerson, Melson, Ertz, Mock, Lightfoot
Nays: None
Absent: Alderman Creamer

5. **R-2746-15: A RESOLUTION** AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES WITH PROS CONSULTING, INC. FOR A PARK MASTER PLAN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015. Point of Contact: Kevin Boji, Parks and Recreation Director.

The resolution was read by title only by Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

Kevin Boji, Parks and Recreation Director and a representative of Pros Consulting provided the Staff Report and remained available for discussion.

Discussion included appreciation of Kevin and Park Board efforts in finding a qualified consulting firm for the project, if the 2001 master plan was similar and as extensive to the proposed plan, if objectives from the 2001 plan were achieved, costs for each Phase of the research, if estimated cost for consulting work aligned with Park Board's estimated costs, if the Board of Aldermen will be updated periodically during the research phase of the project, approximate man hours/people needed to complete the phases of the project, the involvement of City residents, the cost of Phase I of the project, the reason behind waiving the electronic survey, if Phase II of project required additional funding, if the Park Board held annual goal setting meetings, the location of the consulting firm, if the surveys conducted will address program planning, how would the consulting firm go about prioritizing recommendations, the need to educate the public on the possibilities Parks & Recreation has to offer, if project recommendations included the future of Super Splash, where funding will be coming from for this project, how Pros Consulting was selected for the project and if contingency money was set aside for additional/unforeseen projects during the research process of developing the master plan.

Alderman Ertz, seconded by Alderman Melson made a motion to adopt. The motion was approved by a vote of 8-1-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Ertz, Melson, Lightfoot, Mock, Van Buskirk, Emerson, Jason Greene, Aziere, Josh Greene
Nays: Alderman Emerson
Absent: Alderman Creamer

6. **R-2747-15: A RESOLUTION** AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS WITH SPLASHTACULAR FOR WATERSLIDE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$88,700.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015. Point of Contact: Kevin Boji, Parks and Recreation Director.

The resolution was read by title only by Teresa Henry, City Clerk.

Kevin Boji, Parks and Recreation Director, provided the Staff Report and remained available for discussion.

Discussion included the difficulty of voting for the work when there is not a concrete plan for the future of the water park, funding for the slide maintenance would increase rider safety, ways the water park could save money on maintenance and equipment, doubts about the park's financial future and other maintenance being performed on the park grounds.

Alderman Ertz, seconded by Alderman Melson made a motion to adopt. The motion was approved by a vote of 7-2-1.

Ayes: Aldermen Ertz, Melson, Josh Greene, Van Buskirk, Lightfoot, Aziere, Mock

Nays: None

Abstain: Aldermen Jason Green, Emerson

Absent: Alderman Creamer

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Aziere, seconded by Alderman Lightfoot made a motion to adjourn. The motion was approved by a majority of those present.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Teresa M. Henry, MRCC
City Clerk