

REGULAR MEETING

The City of New Melle Board of Aldermen meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held at the New Melle City Hall, located at 145 Almeling Street. Mayor West called the meeting to order.

Mayor West led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present at roll call:

Mayor Rich West
Alderman Nik Bradley
Alderman Gary Schneider
Alderman Janet Karrenbrock - Absent
Alderman Don Hendrich
City Clerk Karen Hotfelder
Attorney Steve Martin

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Schneider to move item #6 under New Business to item #1 and approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Alderman Hendrich, seconded by Alderman Bradley to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2017 Regular Board of Aldermen Meeting and the January 24, 2017 Special Meeting and Work Session with corrections. Motion passed unanimously.

OPEN FORUM

Ken Birk reported the residents of Nicole Parc were concerned with speeding vehicles on Hwy Z and loud/suspicious vehicles in the neighborhood around 1 a.m. Mayor West suggested that the residents contact the St. Charles County Police Department regarding the suspicious vehicles when they are present and that he had been in touch with the police department concerning the speeding on Hwy Z.

FINANCE REPORT

City Clerk Hotfelder submitted the Balance Sheet for January 2017. Hochschild Bloom will be contacted for a date to begin the 2015 Audit.

ENGINEERING REPORT

There was no engineering report as items for discussion are on the agenda.

BUILDING INSPECTION REPORT

1. Status of Matt Bramblett Demo Permit – A final inspection has been completed and all debris has been removed.
2. New Melle Carwash Sign – Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bradley to allow the sign permit expiration to be extended 90 days from this date. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Storage Container Buildings – Tabled for Work Session on February 28, 2017.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Schutzen Street Drainage Repairs – Alderman Hendrich made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bradley to award the project to St. Charles County Road Department rather than submitting for bids as the County will continue to be responsible for upgrades and repairs to the City's streets. Motion passed unanimously.
2. NIMS Training – Feb. 23, 2017 6-9 p.m. – Mayor West, Aldermen Hendrich, Alderman Bradley, and City Clerk Hotfelder will attend the training to qualify for Federal Disaster Funding.
3. Sullivan et al Lawsuit Update – Attorney Martin reported that Discovery is due on March 3 for Summary Judgment and will take 45+ days.
4. Sidewalk Project Easement Meeting – Tuesday, Feb. 21, 2017 7:00 p.m. for providing detailed information to property owners and acquiring easements. Kurt Kutter and City Clerk Hotfelder will attend.
5. Paper Recycling – Daniel Boone Elementary will increase the number of bins for newspaper and will coordinate with Royal Oak Recycling for pickup.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Burn Permit Revocation Procedure – The New Melle Fire Chief presented Publication 2047 from Missouri DNR prohibiting any outdoor burning in a municipality in the St. Louis Metro Area. Therefore, the residents and businesses will no longer be allowed to burn yard waste, etc. and the City will amend their burning permit ordinance, removing all sections non-compliant with the DNR regulations.
2. St. Charles County Police Department Report – The report was reviewed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen.
3. Crown Castle Letter – Tabled to the March meeting.
4. NM Easter Egg Hunt – April 15, 2017 – The Mayor and Board agreed to provide donuts again this year.
5. Request from St. Charles County Roads for Foristell Rd. Improvements – Tabled for completion of the Hwy Z/Foristell Rd. intersection project.
6. Amazon Sales Tax – City Clerk Hotfelder reported that Amazon will now be charging its customers sales tax so the City should see some increased revenue.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Hendrich made a motion to schedule a Work Session and Special Meeting (if necessary) for February 28, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. The Regular March Board Meeting is cancelled and rescheduled to March 28, 2017 as the City Clerk will be at the Annual Conference. The meeting is adjourned at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Alderman Bradley. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Hotfelder, City Clerk