

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MARCH 10, 2015; 6:00 P.M.
CITY OF LAURIE, MISSOURI**

Mayor Fahrer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Scott Fahrer, Alderman Greg Lux, Alderman Karen Dobbins, Alderman Val Ites and Alderman Allen Kimberling.

Others present were City Clerk Olive Wood, City Attorney Steve Grantham, Police Chief Mark Black, Dick Dobbins, Brian Scheiter, Dean Smith, Martha Moulder, Nick Shoemate, Janet Dabbs, Amy Wilson, Eddie Pue, Dr. Carla Northcott, Brandy Delhotal, Robert Northcott, Dru Hayes, Scott and Carri Hendrix, Doug Needy, Heather Woodside, Branden Hoffman, Wendy Needy, and Mac Mouat.

Citizens' Communication: Eddie Pue stated he had a commercial building at 154 Sherman Ridge Road that is vacant and he would like to see the Board approve the rezoning from Agricultural (A-1) to Industrial (I-1). Dr. Carla Northcott stated she was interested in purchasing the building to package a natural herb and would employ 187 full-time people.

Mayor's Communications: Mayor Fahrer stated he had been asked to read the following letter:

"February 20, 2015

*Mayor Scott Fahrer
Aldermen Lux, Dobbins, Ites, and Kimberling
City Clerk Olive Wood
D. Steve Grantham, City Attorney
Dean Smith, Department of Public Works*

Re: The Roadways of Ozark Meadows Subdivision

We just wanted to take the opportunity to thank ALL of you for your research work and support regarding the roads in Ozark Meadows at St. Patrick's Village. We also thank you for your decision to prepare and adopt the ordinance to accept the roadways.

We are thankful that the weather has not been as brutal as it has been in the past. However, the few times that we have needed assistance from the City, the Public Works crew has been here in a very timely fashion and taken care of our needs in a professional manner.

*Sincerely,
Don Stanze, President
Ozark Meadows at St. Patrick's Village
Ds/ks
cc: Members of Ozark Meadows at St. Patrick's Village"*

Approval of Minutes

February 10, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes: Alderman Lux made a motion to approve the February 10, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Alderman Ites seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

February 23, 2015 Work Session Minutes: Alderman Dobbins made a motion to approve the February 23, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Pending Payments & Addition to Pending Payments: Alderman Lux made a motion to approve pending payments. Alderman Ites seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Unfinished Business:

A. First Reading Council Bill No. 2015-02; Ordinance No. 2015-02: “An Ordinance approving the chief of police to drive the city vehicle to and from home.” Alderman Dobbins introduced Council Bill No. 2015-02 for the first reading. Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

B. Second Reading Council Bill No. 2015-02; Ordinance No. 2015-02: “An Ordinance approving the chief of police to drive the city vehicle to and from home.” Alderman Kimberling introduced Council Bill No. 2015-02 for the second reading. Alderman Dobbins seconded: The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Mayor Fahrer declared Council Bill No. 2015-02 becomes Ordinance No. 2015-02.

C. First Reading Council Bill No. 2015-04; Ordinance No. 2015-04: “An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Engineering Agreement for the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission’s Transportation Alternatives Funds

Program.” Alderman Lux introduced Council Bill No. 2015-04 for the first reading. Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

D. Second Reading Council Bill No. 2015-04; Ordinance No. 2015-04: “An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor to sign the Engineering Agreement for the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission’s Transportation Alternatives Funds Program.” Alderman Ites introduced Council Bill No. 2015-04 for the second reading. Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Mayor Fahrer declared Council Bill No. 2015-04 becomes Ordinance No. 2015-04.

New Business

A. Planning and Zoning commission’s Recommendation for Rezoning 154 Sherman Ridge Road: The following letter was provided by the Planning and Zoning Commission:

“March 10, 2015

*Board of Aldermen
City of Laurie
P.O. Box 1515
Laurie, Missouri 65038*

Subject: Report of Planning and Zoning Commission Regarding Rezoning Property Located at 154 Sherman Ridge Road

Dear Board of Aldermen:

On March 10, 2015 the Laurie Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing on an application to rezone property located at 154 Sherman Ridge Road from A-1 (agricultural) to I-1 (industrial). Nearby properties are combinations of agricultural and commercial uses. The Commission received no comments opposing the rezoning.

The application is in order, and city attorney has reviewed it. At the Commission’s regular monthly meeting following the public hearing, the Commission discussed the request and unanimously voted to recommend that the Board of Aldermen approve the request to rezone subject property to I-1 and enact the appropriate ordinance.

*Sincerely,
Richard L. Purdon
Chairman, Planning and Zoning Commission
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Rezoning Application”*

B. First Reading Council Bill No. 2015-05; Ordinance No. 2015-05: “An Ordinance approving a recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to rezone certain property from Land Use A-1 to Land Use I-1.” Alderman Ites introduced Council Bill No. 2015-05 for the first reading. Alderman Lux seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

C. Second Reading Council Bill No. 2015-05; Ordinance No. 2015-05: “An Ordinance approving a recommendation of the Planning and Zoning Commission to rezone certain property from Land Use A-1 to Land Use I-1.” Alderman Dobbins introduced Council Bill No. 2015-05 for the second reading. Alderman Lux seconded.

The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Mayor Fahrer declared Council Bill No. 2015-05 become Ordinance No. 2015-05.

D. Liquor License Request, Mac’s at the Lake, Michael MacDonald: Alderman Ites made a motion to approve a liquor license for Mac’s at the Lake. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Department Head Reports

A. Public Works Department

- Brian Scheiter:

- Two water leaks were found one on Dover Road and it has been fixed; and the other is behind G2M and is scheduled to be fixed tomorrow. The leak behind G2M is a major leak.

D. Mark Black, Police Chief

- **Monthly Statistics:** February 2015; Traffic Stops 30; Warnings 24; Summons 9; and 7 Criminal Activities and 6 arrests.

- **Addition to City ordinance/policy:** Chief Black stated that City Attorney Steve Grantham had advised him not to pursue the agenda item for Intimidation or Harassment of city officers and employee’s policy.

E. Olive Wood, City Clerk

- **Review Financial Report:** The financial report for 2015. February total of all funds \$1,784,577.73. General Fund Revenues - \$81,726.67; and General Fund Expenses -

\$86,318.85; Event Fund Revenues - \$1,359.32; Event Fund Expenses - \$8,819.73; Water and Sewer Fund Revenues \$93,489.53; and Water and Sewer Fund Expenses - \$94,191.12.

- **Sales Tax Review:** February Sales Tax was \$36,843.85; Year to date: \$46,939.72. This is an increase year to date over 2014 by \$833.35.

- **Winter Seer Rate Averaging:** Ordinance No. 2002-11 was the first ordinance establishing the sewer rates and included an averaging of the water usage. Recently it was brought to our attention that in Ordinance No. 2007-03 establishing a new sewer rate the averaging for winter sewer rates were dropped accidentally. Auditor Lisa Officer advised that the city needs to reestablish this winter sewer rate averaging so residential customers do not have to pay for watering their grass and gardens during the summer months. It is recommended that we ask City Attorney Steve Grantham to draft an ordinance reestablishing the winter sewer rate averaging.

The Board asked City Attorney Steve Grantham to draft an ordinance reestablishing the winter averaging. City Attorney Steve Grantham stated he would provide an ordinance for the next regular meeting.

- **Franchise Tracking:** On Friday, March 6th Mr. Trower from Charter stopped by the office and reported Charter was in the process of doing a study on the locations and boundaries of its customers. Mr. Trower was asked to come before the Board, but he declined. He stated once the study is complete a letter will be provided to the Board.

- **Westside Cleanup** will be held April 18th.

- **Anderson Engineering** called earlier today and they will be calling with a date to do a walk through for the sidewalk project.

D. Steve Grantham, City Attorney

- **None**

Board Reports:

Alderman Lux

- **Police Department – Safer Community:** Alderman Lux stated he would appreciate being notified prior to the police department posting on face book that people could use the city's parking lot to make Craigslist transactions under the surveillance of cameras. Alderman Lux asked if this could create a city liability. City Attorney Steve Grantham stated he didn't see it as a liability. It is being provided for public relations and a safe place for people to make transactions.

Alderman Dobbins

- **South School Discussion:** Alderman Dobbins reported that Morgan County R-II School will have their next meeting on March 16th in Versailles. A letter was sent on behalf of the City of Laurie in support of keeping South School as an elementary school.

Mayor's Report: None

Closed Meeting: A portion of this meeting may be closed pursuant to RSMo. Section 610.021(3) for the purpose of hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting an employee.

Alderman Kimberling made a motion to go into closed meeting pursuant to RSMo. Section 610.021(3) for the purpose of hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting an employee. Alderman Dobbins seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Alderman Ites made a motion to adjourn and return to open meeting. Alderman Kimberling seconded. The following roll call vote was recorded:

Alderman Lux aye
Alderman Dobbins aye
Alderman Ites aye
Alderman Kimberling aye

Open meeting was called to order and City Clerk Olive Wood reported that no action was taken.

Adjourn: Alderman Lux made a motion to adjourn and Alderman Kimberling seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Scott Fahrer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Olive Wood, City Clerk