

MINUTES
DES PERES BOARD OF ALDERMEN
October 12th, 2020
DES PERES GOVERNMENT CENTER

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Des Peres, Missouri was held at the Des Peres Government Center, 12325 Manchester Road commencing at 7:00 PM on Monday October 12th, 2020.

ROLL CALL

The City Clerk took roll with the following board members present: Alderman Pound, Alderman Sansone, Alderman Kleinschmidt, Alderman Concagh, Alderman Fitzpatrick and Alderman Barrett. Mayor Becker was also present.

For the record, Aldermen Kleinschmidt and Sansone attended the meeting remotely by video.

Staff members present included the City Administrator, Assistant City Administrator, City Clerk, City Attorney, Director of Finance, Director of Parks & Recreation, Director of Public Safety and the Director of Public Works.

At this time the Board of Aldermen, staff and citizens rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

AMENDMENT OF AGENDA - None

CITIZEN COMMENTS - None

REPORT OF THE MAYOR – None

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

The Mayor acknowledged the following written reports submitted to the Board of Aldermen:

- a. Audit & Finance Commission Meeting of September 28th, 2020
- b. Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting of October 1st, 2020

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Becker stated that the Consent Agenda consisted of four (4) items. Alderman Pound read a summary of the items on the consent agenda.

1. Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of September 28, 2020
2. Warrant List Dated September 24, 2020
3. R20-3424 Authorizing execution of an Easement and Temporary Construction

Easement with St Louis County Relating to the Ballas Road Improvement Project Adjoining the Public Safety Building

4. R20-3425 Acknowledging Receipt 2021 Budget for the Manchester/Ballas Community Improvement District

Alderman Pound moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, second by Alderman Barrett. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Pound, AYE; Sansone, AYE; Fitzpatrick, AYE; Kleinschmidt, AYE; Concagh, AYE; Barrett, AYE. Motion passed 6-0.

LEGISLATION (UNFINISHED)

1. B20-2895 An Ordinance Authorizing a Contract with Waste Connections of Missouri Inc. For Residential Solid Waste Services for a Sixty-Six (66) Month Period Commencing January 1, 2021 and Ending June 30, 2026 with Options for Extension of Such Contract for Up to Two (2) Additional Five (5) Year Periods of Time (Introduction)

Alderman Fitzpatrick read Bill 20-2895 for the second time.

Alderman Concagh moved to approve Bill 20-2895 as presented, second by Alderman Barrett. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Pound, AYE; Sansone, AYE; Fitzpatrick, AYE; Kleinschmidt, AYE; Concagh, AYE; Barrett, AYE. Motion passed 6-0.

LEGISLATION (NEW)

1. R20-3426 Advising the Metropolitan St Louis Sewer District that the City of Des Peres Desires to Forego Participation in the OMCI District Storm Water Program for Fiscal 2021 for the Deer Creek and Two Mile Creek Watersheds and Requesting Des Peres Allocation of Funding be Reserved for Future Projects in Each Watershed.

Director of Public Works Steve Meyer stated that recently the MSD Board has reinstated their storm water taxing sub-districts, and added that the City of Des Peres is located within two different taxing districts within MSD, Sugar Creek and Deer Creek. Mr. Meyer stated that the MSD Board has asked municipalities how the allocation of funding should be handled, and it is his recommendation that the city participate in the reimbursement program but does not anticipate applying for reimbursement of funding before December 31st, 2021. Mr. Meyer added that this option will reserve our funding and allow it to accumulate for five years for future projects.

Alderman Barrett moved to approve Resolution 20-3426 as presented, second by Alderman Sansone. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Pound, AYE; Sansone, AYE; Fitzpatrick, AYE; Kleinschmidt, AYE; Concagh, AYE; Barrett, AYE. Motion passed 6-0.

REPORTS OF STAFF

City Administrator

City Administrator Harms reported that the City has successfully navigated the CARES Act process, and executed the proper applications and that it's expected that a payment in the amount of \$575,820.00 should be received by the end of the week. Mr. Harms acknowledged the Director of Finance and her hard work and research that went into this.

City Administrator Harms reminded the Board that they imposed a hiring freeze back in March due to COVID-19, since that time several vacancies have come open requiring Board approval before filling any full time position.

Mr. Harms stated the one of the five dispatch positions has been vacant since April, but those shifts have been covered by using a combination of overtime, reassignments and part time employees. Mr. Harms added that one of the full time dispatchers is anticipated to go on maternity leave in early December, and another part time dispatcher has resigned. Mr. Harms stated that for those reasons, Chief Hall is requesting permission to proceed with filling this full time dispatcher position.

Alderman Fitzpatrick moved to hold this discussion until further details can be provided on potentially outsourcing dispatching, second by Alderman Pound. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Fitzpatrick, AYE; Sansone, AYE; Kleinschmidt, AYE; Pound, AYE; Concagh, AYE; Barrett; AYE. Motion passed 6-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business to come before the regular session of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Barrett moved to adjourn, second by Alderman Fitzpatrick at 7:16PM roll call vote was then taken with the following results: A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Fitzpatrick, AYE; Sansone, AYE; Kleinschmidt, AYE; Pound, AYE; Concagh, AYE; Barrett; AYE. Motion passed 6-0.

Minutes prepared by:

Stacey Mann, City Clerk

Mark Becker, Mayor

ATTEST:

Stacey Mann, City Clerk