

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY OF FAYETTE, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, MARCH 26 2024**

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Fayette was called to order at 6:00 p.m. March 26, 2024 by Mayor Jeremy Dawson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone in the Chamber rose for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderwoman Peggy O’Connell.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call verified six Board Members present for the meeting.

Responding to the Roll Call: Alderwoman Peggy O’Connell, Alderwoman Michelle Ishmael, Alderwoman Marsha Broadus, Alderwoman Stephanie Ford, Alderwoman Ronda Gerlt, and Alderwoman Bekki Galloway.

ADDITIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Alderwoman Ford motioned to approve the March 26, 2024 agenda. Alderwoman O’Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN HELD MARCH 12, 2024

Alderwoman Galloway motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman held March 12, 2024. Alderwoman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS

CITY MARSHAL DAVID FORD

City Marshal David Ford had no comments

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR DANNY DOUGHERTY

Public Works Director Danny Dougherty was absent

CITY CLERK JUDY THOMPSON

City Clerk Judy Thompson had no comments

CITY ATTORNEY NATHAN NICKOLAUS

City Attorney Nathan Nickolaus made everyone aware of the 2024 City Officials Seminar to be held in Fayette on May 17, 2024 from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00. There will be no charge for Fayette City Officials for the seminar.

ASSISTANT TO THE MAYOR MIKE DIMOND

Assistant to the Mayor, Mike Dimond asked the board if he could negotiate the contract with RTS Services, the City's trash service.

Mr. Dimond presented information regarding the City Hall repairs and asked the board to approve half of the interior repairs, the Utility Office part, to be paid out of the Electric Department's Facility Maintenance and Repairs due to the fact that additional items were needed to complete the repairs.

Alderman Galloway motioned to approve the expenses for the interior repairs to be split between the sinking fund and the Electric Building Maintenance and Repairs. Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. The motion carried.

ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION

Mayor Jeremy Dawson read and proclaimed that Friday, April 26, 2024 would be Arbor Day in the City of Fayette.

VISITORS

There were no visitors at this meeting

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Tristin Head

Tristin Head of TJ's Diner and Bar came to ask permission of the board to hold a Street Fair and Midget Wrestling event on April 28, 2024 starting at 4:00 p.m. City Marshal Ford stated that he would need a schematic of the event and Attorney Nickolaus commented that the board needs to approve the liquor license.

OLD BUSINESS

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF BILL NO. 2024-05, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF FAYETTE, MISSOURI AMENDING THE CITY CODE BY ADDING ONE NEW CHAPTER REGARDING ADULT ENTERTAINMENT

Discussion was held regarding the bill.

Alderman O'Connell motioned to table Bill No. 2024-05, An Ordinance of the City of Fayette, Missouri amending the City Code by adding one new chapter regarding adult entertainment, until June 2024. Alderman Galloway seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion was tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

PAY RESOLUTION 2024-06 APPROVING INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

Alderman Ford motioned to approve Pay Resolution 2024-06, approving invoices for payment and salaries in the total sum of **\$242,625.68** which includes, General Fund \$81,792.35, Electric Fund \$24,167.23, Water Fund \$125,898.41, Sewer Fund \$10,767.69. Alderman Broadus seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL TO ACCEPT SEALED BIDS FOR THE MOWING OF A PORTION OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE FAYETTE CEMETERY.

Alderman Ford motioned to approve the lowest bid for Fayette Cemetery mowing for a term of one year from Travis Wies & Sons Lawncare. Alderman Gerlt seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 2024-06, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 225.490 AND 225.500 OF THE CITY CODE BY CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TREE BOARD

Alderman Ford motioned to approve **BILL NO. 2024-06, BY FIRST AND TITLE ONLY READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 225.490 AND 225.500 OF THE CITY CODE BY CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TREE BOARD.** Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Five voting Aye. One Abstaining. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Alderman Ford, Alderman Gerlt, Alderman O'Connell, Alderman Ishmael and Alderman Broadus, Abstained: Alderman Galloway, Nays – None.

Alderman Ford motioned to approve **BILL NO. 2024-06, BY SECOND AND TITLE ONLY READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 225.490 AND 225.500 OF THE CITY CODE BY CHANGING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TREE BOARD.** Alderman Ishmael seconded the motion. Five voting Aye. One Abstaining. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Alderman Ford, Alderman Gerlt, Alderman O'Connell, Alderman Ishmael and Alderman Broadus, Abstained: Alderman Galloway, Nays – None.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF EXTENSION OF D.C. ROGERS WING WALL PROJECT DEADLINE

Alderman Galloway motioned to approve the extension of the D.C. Rogers Wing Wall project deadline until December 1, 2024. Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Aldерwoman Ford motioned to approve **BILL NO. 2024-07, BY FIRST AND TITLE ONLY READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 123 OF THE CITY CODE BY ADDING ONE NEW SECTION REGARDING RECORD RETENTION.** Aldерwoman Gerlt seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldерwoman Ford, Aldерwoman Gerlt, Aldерwoman Galloway, Aldерwoman O’Connell, Aldерwoman Ishmael and Aldерwoman Broadus. Nays – None.

Aldерwoman Ford motioned to approve **BILL NO. 2024-07, BY SECOND AND TITLE ONLY READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 123 OF THE CITY CODE BY ADDING ONE NEW SECTION REGARDING RECORD RETENTION.** Aldерwoman O’Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Aldерwoman Galloway, Aldерwoman Gerlt, Aldерwoman Ford, Aldерwoman O’Connell, Aldерwoman Ishmael and Aldерwoman Broadus. Nays – None.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM FAYETTE OPTIMIST CLUB FOR SPONSORSHIP OF THE 2024 FAYETTE POWER PULL

Aldерwoman Galloway motioned to approve supplying the water for the 2024 Fayette Power Pull. Aldерman Broadus seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF NEW BUSINESS LICENSE FOR MAE’B BOUTIQUE

Aldерwoman Ford motioned to approve the new business license for Mae’B Boutique. Aldерwoman O’Connell seconded the motion. Five voting Aye. One abstaining. Nays – None.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF NEW BUSINESS LICENSE FOR MELLOWAY ENTERPRISES

Aldерwoman Ford motioned to approve the new business license for Melloway Enterprises. Aldерwoman Galloway seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None.

BOARD OF ALDERMAN COMMENTS & COMMITTEE UPDATES

Aldерwoman Peggy O’Connell

Aldерwoman O’Connell stated that the Fayette Historic Preservation Commission still needs another member and that HPC annual property awards for Historic Preservation month will be presented in May.

Aldерwoman Michelle Ishmael

Aldерwoman Ishmael reported that Emily Doolin was doing well after her dog bite and shared that Ms. Doolin urged the Fayette Police Department to keep up on the dog situation in the city.

Mrs. Ishmael reported that there would be a Town Hall Meeting at the Howard County Courthouse Courtroom on April 4, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., and encouraged everyone to come and bring a friend.

Alderman Marsha Broadus

Alderman Broadus had no comments

Alderman Stephanie Ford

Alderman Ford had no comments

Alderman Ronda Gerlt

Alderman Gerlt had no comments.

Alderman Bekki Galloway

Alderman Galloway reported on the following topics:

- Mrs. Galloway suggested the police department apply for the Fayette Area Community Trust (Barker Fund) for a grant for the incinerator. Mr. Ford replied that he had already applied to the Barker Fund for something else. Mrs. Galloway suggested that the City apply.
- Speaking for the Tree Board, regarding tree harvesting at D.C. Rogers Lake, Forester Tyler Cox inspected lake trees and found that many were becoming rotten at the base due to damage from weed eaters and mowers. He suggested a thinning of trees be done but to be choosy about clearing too many of the Walnut trees.
- Mrs. Galloway reported that there would be Arbor Day activities at the school on April 26, 2024 and that the Tree Board tree giveaway will be on the courthouse square on April 27, 2024.
- No pet/dog's allowed signs are needed at Lembke and Paige-Liberty ball fields.

Alderman Ford motioned to move to closed session at 6:43 p.m. Alderman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion Carried.

Responding to the Roll Call: Alderman Ishmael, Alderman O'Connell Alderman Broadus, Alderman Ford, Alderman Gerlt and Alderman Galloway.

Alderman Ford motioned to adjourn closed session at 7:04 p.m. Alderman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Alderman Ford, Alderman Gerlt, Alderman Galloway, Alderman Broadus, Alderman Ishmael and Alderman O'Connell Nays: None. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Galloway motioned to adjourn at 7:04 p.m. Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Judith Thompson Judith Thompson, City Clerk

J. Dawson Jeremy Dawson, Mayor

