

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF
THE CITY OF FAYETTE, MISSOURI
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 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., June 11, 2024 by Mayor Greg Stidham.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone in the Chamber rose for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderwoman Michelle Ishmael.

ROLL CALL

Roll Call verified six Board Members present for the meeting.

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

ADDITIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Alderwoman Ford motioned to approve the June 11, 2024 agenda. Alderwoman O’Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN HELD MAY 28, 2024

Alderwoman Ford motioned to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Alderman held May 28, 2024. Alderwoman Shiflett seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE BUDGET MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN HELD ON JUNE 4, 2024

Alderwoman Ford motioned to approve the minutes of the Budget Meeting of the Board of Alderman held June 4, 2024. Alderwoman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion passed.

CITY STAFF REPORTS

CITY MARSHAL DAVID FORD

City Marshal David Ford had no comments

WATER DISTRIBUTION SUPERINTENDENT CURTIS HAMMONS

Water Distribution Superintendent Curtis Hammons presented two line-item requests for the board's approval. The first in the amount of \$8,813.09 for fire hydrants, gate valves and lid covers and the second in the amount of \$9,405.00 for fifty-seven Smart Point antennas for water meters. Alderwoman Ford motioned to approve both requests for the amount submitted. Alderwoman Gerlt seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – none. Motion passed.

CITY CLERK JUDY THOMPSON

City Clerk Judy Thompson reported that business license renewal letters had been mailed out. Licenses will expire June 30, 2024.

Mrs. Thompson asked the board to discuss two areas of concern regarding the Fayette Swimming Pool. First, should the age of the responsible party be lowered from “adult” to a younger age. The other item is whether the price of pool parties for large parties should be raised to accommodate for additional lifeguards. Mayor Stidham suggested that Alderwoman Ford form a committee to discuss the pool situation and make a report at the next board of alderman meeting.

Mrs. Thompson reported that summer hours for utility workers would start July 1st and would be from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. due to high temperatures

Mrs. Thompson reported the new Lager's Employer Contribution Rates will increase beginning July 1, 2024 to 9.2% for General Employees and 24.9% for Police.

Mrs. Thompson revealed the new “business license” for children at the Kid's Market created by Administrative Assistant Mati Salazar.

CITY ATTORNEY NATHAN NICKOLAUS

City Attorney Nathan Nickolaus had no comments.

VISITORS

1. **Tim Jackman** represented the Juneteenth Committee along with a group of members. A picture was taken by Editor Justin Addison of the group and Mayor Stidham read the Juneteenth Proclamation. Mr. Jackman thanked the board for it's continued support.
2. **Lindsey Bachtel** of Howard County 911 asked the board for funds to cover training for the Mules System. Mayor Stidham tabled the request until after budget time.
3. **Rebecca Fenton** presented information regarding her request to revise Ordinance 205.100. It is her desire that the rabies vaccine language be changed to one or three years to help decrease the amount of toxins given to animals and to add the use of titer testing. Mayor Stidham suggested that the board contact Dr. Stroupe for more information and then discuss the ordinance revision.
4. **Pam Huttzell**, representing the Fayette Historic Preservation Commission visited to report on the Planning and Zoning Public Hearing regarding the amendments for Chapter 405 and Chapter

415 which were unanimously approved by Planning and Zoning Commission. Mrs. Huttshell also discussed the Designation Ordinance that will be discussed at the June 25, 2024 meeting. She presented Design Guidelines for Courthouse Square Historic District and an article written by Nory Winter titled Benefits of Design Review.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Regina Powell

Regina Powell expressed her concerns regarding fair housing for lower income people, speeding on South Park and a house across the street from her that is in bad shape.

Rev. Bill O'Neill

Reverend Bill O'Neill shared with the board that on July 22, 2024 Central Methodist will have 700 kids and 100 adults to do community service. Mr. O'Neill will contact Mayor Stidham.

NEW BUSINESS

PAY RESOLUTION 2024-12 APPROVING INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

Alderman Ford motioned to approve Pay Resolution 2024-12, approving invoices for payment and salaries in the total sum of **\$348,015.19** which includes, General Fund \$82,615.26, Electric Fund \$238,293.79, Water Fund \$10,395.71, Sewer Fund \$16,710.43. Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF LARRY ANDERSON TO THE FAYETTE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD.

Alderman Ford motioned to approve the appointment of Larry Anderson to the Fayette Housing Authority Board. Alderman Ishmael seconded the motion. Five voting Aye. One abstaining and Nays – None. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION FOR GRAY BUILT, LLC

Alderman Broadus motioned to approve the new business license application for Gray Built, LLC. Alderman O'Connell seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion passed.

REVIEW OF PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR GL RENTALS ANNEX

Derek Forbis of OWN Engineering came to discuss the annex project for GL Rentals. Mr. Forbis explained that it was no benefit to the city to annex the flood plain area. The description should only include the outer boundary of the subdivision. Mr. Forbis also discussed the City's responsibility would be to provide sewer across the road to the subdivision which Mr. Forbis said the engineering fee would

cost approximately \$4,000.00 for DNR permitting and construction documents. Mr. Forbis asked the city to develop guidelines for new construction to make projects easier.

Aldерwoman Shiflett motioned to approve the preliminary development plans for GL Rentals annexed subdivision with the addition of a signature line to be added by Own Engineering. Aldерwoman Broadus seconded the motion. Four voting Aye. One abstained. One voting Nay. The motion passed.

Roll Call vote: Aldерwoman Ford voted Yes, Aldерwoman Gerlt abstained, Aldерwoman Shiflett voted Yes, Aldерwoman Broadus voted Yes, Aldерwoman Ishmael voted No, Aldерwoman O’Connell voted Yes.

REVIEW OF PLANNING & ZONING APPROVAL OF PROPOSED ORDINANCES.

Tabled until next Board of Alderman meeting.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF BILL NO. 2024-11, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 405 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Tabled until next Board of Alderman meeting.

DISCUSSION AND/OR APPROVAL OF BILL NO. 2024-12, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 415 OF THE CITY CODE REGARDING HISTORIC BUILDINGS

Tabled until next Board of Alderman meeting.

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.

Tabled until next Board of Alderman meeting.

BOARD OF ALDERMAN & MAYOR COMMENTS & COMMITTEE UPDATES

Aldерwoman Stephanie Ford – East Ward

Aldерwoman Ford had no comments

Aldерwoman Ronda Gerlt – East Ward

Aldерwoman Gerlt gave a report on pot holes in city streets. The Street Department will start working on the pot holes.

Aldерwoman LeeAnna Shiflett – Southwest Ward

Aldерwoman Shiflett gave a report on pot holes on Depot, Boyd, Maple and West Davis Streets.

Mrs. Shiflett commented on overgrown grass on Derailed Commodities. Mayor Stidham mentioned that the boom mower was broken down.

Alderwoman Peggy O’Connell – Northwest Ward

Alderwoman O’Connell asked about fences around swimming pools at residences and reported that a citizen on Elm Street had a pool in their front yard with no fence.

Alderwoman Michelle Ishmael – Northwest Ward

Alderwoman Ishmael thanked Attorney Nickolaus for the training certificate.

Mrs. Ishmael reported that she had been on pot hole patrol and created a post on Facebook.

Mrs. Ishmael commented on the memorial stone that was placed in front of the cemetery was covered with grass and suggested a plaque be added to the fence above the plaque.

Mrs. Ishmael reported that Downtown Fayette is still looking for a new Executor Director and they are still looking for new members.

Mrs. Ishmael reported that Downtown Fayette are still looking for grants for Crigler’s Corner, they will be participating in the Juneteenth celebration and the movie on the square is cancelled.

Alderwoman Marsha Broadus – Southwest Ward

Alderwoman Broadus reported on trucks and cars speeding on her street and asked what the status of the speed limit signs was. Mayor Stidham commented that the signs have been ordered.

Mayor Greg Stidham

Mayor Stidham reported that the city had received a letter from Missouri State Parks regarding being turned down for grant funds for the Fayette Swimming Pool.

Mr. Stidham met with all the department heads about being in charge since the Public Works Director is now gone and asked if each one would write a report of the work they’d done throughout the week.

Mr. Stidham reported Budget meeting Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Stidham reported on the Parking meeting that he had attended and reported that parallel parking had been eliminated from the plan.

Mr. Stidham brought up the vacation carry over policy and asked Alderwoman Shiflett to research the policy and bring the recommendations to the next meeting.

TO CLOSED SESSION

Aldерwoman Broadus motioned to move to closed session at 7:38 p.m. Aldерwoman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion Passed.

Responding to Roll Call: Aldерwoman O’Connell, Aldерwoman Ishmael, Aldерwoman Broadus, Aldерwoman Shiflett, Aldерwoman Gerlt and Aldерwoman Ford. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion passed.

Aldерwoman Broadus moved to adjourn closed session at 8:21 p.m. Aldерwoman Ishmael seconded the motion.

Responding to Roll Call: Aldерwoman Broadus, Aldерwoman Ishmael, Aldерwoman O’Connell, Aldерwoman Shiflett, Aldерwoman Gerlt, Aldерwoman Ford. Six voting Aye. Nays – None. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Aldерwoman Gerlt motioned to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. Aldерwoman Ishmael seconded the motion. Six voting Aye. Nays – 0. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by:

 Judith Thompson, City Clerk

 Greg Stidham, Mayor