



Minutes of the City Board Meeting September 25, 2024

The meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Cool Valley was held Wednesday, September 25th, 2024, at 6:05 p.m. at the City Hall, 100 Signal Hill Drive. The following members of the Board of Aldermen were present:

Mayor Jermaine Matthew- Present
Board President Alvin Robinson- Present
Don Johnson –Present
Floyd Blackwell - Present
Ms. Earline Jones Collins–Present
City Attorney – Mr. Craig Smith

Approval of the Agenda

The motion for approval of the agenda made by Alderman A. Robinson was seconded by Alderwoman E. Jones Collins the board approved the agenda for the board meeting on September 25, 2024. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins –Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting

The motion for approval of the August 28, 2024, meeting minutes made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson the board approved the regular meeting minutes of August 28, 2024. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins Yes, F. Blackwell-Yes, D. Johnson- Yes, Motion Carried.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENT

The motion for approval to pay receipts and disbursement made by Alderman A. Robinson was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

Police Department Report

Detective Beekman reported 217 service calls, 83 summons and/or tickets, 19 reports, and 6 arrests. Officers are continuing their efforts in the problem properties previously discussed with the city officials. The concerns regarding the location of 103 Evans appear to be rectified. The police department along with members of the City of Cool Valley had a meeting with the owners of the property. It was agreed the building would be secured to further eliminate the possibility of trespassers. Since this, there have been no reported incidents at the building.



NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of the 2024 Tax Levy Rate

The motion for the first reading by the entirety was made by Aldermen F. Blackwell and was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson for bill #24-012. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion made by Aldermen F. Blackwell, seconded by Alderman D. Johnson for the second reading, Craig did the second reading of the ordinance.

Ordinance 1-925-24 by the following roll call vote of the alderpersons. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

2. Approval of the Miscellaneous, Ordinance Violation

The motion for the first reading by the entirety was made by Aldermen A. Robinson and was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell for bill #24-013. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

Craig conducted the second reading of the ordinance on the motion made by Alderman D. Johnson, seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell.

Ordinance 2-925-24 by the following roll call vote of the alderpersons. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

Motion to go into Closed session pursuant RSMO 610.021 (1) legal and (3) personnel.

The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson. (7:15 pm) Roll call: Alderman Johnson – Yes, Alderman Blackwell – Yes, Alderwoman Jones-Collins – Yes, Alderman Robinson – Yes.

Motion to go into the Open Session

The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robins (7:36 pm) Roll call: Alderman Johnson – Yes, Alderman Blackwell – Yes, Alderwoman Jones-Collins – Yes, Alderman Robinson – Yes.

3. Approval of the Cooperation agreement board with Board Election Commissioners

The motion for the first reading by the entirety was made by Aldermen A. Robinson and was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell for bill #24-014. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion made by Aldermen F. Blackwell, seconded by Alderman A. Robinson for the second reading, Craig did the second reading of the ordinance.

Ordinance 3-925-24 by the following roll call vote of the alderpersons. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

Public Hearing

Mayor Matthew opened a public hearing to consider public comments on the annual rate of setting a tax



rate on all real, personal, and other tangible property for the 2024 tax year. With three Cool Valley residents present with no questions or comments, F. Blackwell made a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing and Aldermen A. Robinson seconded the motion. Mayor Matthew closed the public hearing at 6:17 pm.

<u>Assessed Valuation</u>	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Real Estate		
Residential	8,346,240	8,373,370
Agricultural	0	0
Commercial	7,391,377	6,732,202
Personal Property	3,033,599	2,534,528

Proposed Tax Rates for General Revenue:

Residential Real Estate:	.3500
Commercial Real Estate:	.3500
Personal Property:	.1650

Revenue Estimate: \$ 60,085

Estimated Revenue Increase over 2023: no revenue increase is anticipated

WARRANTS

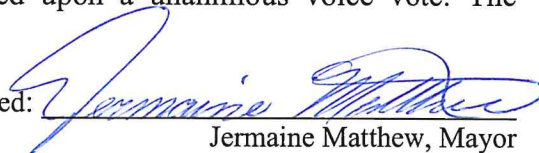
1. Approval of monthly bills for payments

The motion for approval to pay monthly city bills made by Alderman A. Robinson was seconded by Alderman E. Jones Collins. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- Yes, D. Johnson-Yes, Motion Carried.

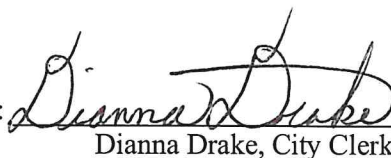
Adjournment

Alderman A. Robinson made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting and Aldermen D. Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was carried upon a unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Approved:


Jermaine Matthew, Mayor

Attest:


Dianna Drake, City Clerk

