

Minutes of the City Board Meeting November 22nd, 2023

The Meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Cool Valley was held on Wednesday, November 22nd, 2023, at 6:17 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 F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson the board approved the agenda for the Regular meeting of November 22, 2023. All in favor: none opposed.

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of October 25, 2023.

The motion for approval made by Alderman A. Robinson was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell the board approved the minutes from the Regular meeting of October 25, 2023. All in favor: none opposed.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENT

The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell to pay open receipts and disbursement was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson. **All in favor: none opposed.**

Public Comments

P. Suggs, 1204 Weleda thank you for cutting down the overgrown vegetation.

B. Harris, 200 Hawkesbury Dr. is asking about the repairs of the potholes on her street.

Police Department Report

Detective Beekman was unable to provide several calls at this time due to a change in the CAD system, 105 summons and/or tickets, 23 reports, and 6 arrests.

MAYOR REPORT

In the last few months, great things have been happening in our community! We are continuing to move forward positively.



Unfinished Business

An Ordinance establishing and authorizing the Execution of a Preliminary Funding Agreement with 201 Evans, LLC

The motion for the first reading made by Aldermen F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson for Bill #1324. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

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

Bill#1324 became Ordinance#1279 by the following roll call vote of the alderpersons voting in favor: all in favor none opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of hiring Justin Strayhorn as a provisional judge.

The motion for the approval to hire Justin Strayhorn as the provisional judge made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. **Roll call votes all in favor: none opposed.**

2. Approval of hiring Matthew Brown as a provisional prosecutor.

The motion for the approval to hire Matthew Brown as the provisional prosecutor made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. **Roll call votes all in favor: none opposed.**

3. Approval of roof repair with Ferguson Roofing.

The motion for the approval to repair the city hall roof with Ferguson Roofing made by Alderman A. Robinson was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson **Roll call votes were all in favor: none opposed.**

4. Approval of the IWorQ Agreement.

The motion for the approval to purchase IworQ software made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman D. Johnson with the **Roll call votes all in favor: none opposed.**

5. An ordinance approving a cooperation agreement with the St. Louis County Board of Election Commissioners and The City of Valley, Missouri to transfer certain responsibilities relating to candidate filings for general Municipal Elections for The City of Cool Valley, Missouri, and enter into a cooperation agreement.

The motion for the first reading made by Aldermen A. Robinson was seconded by Alderwoman E. Jones Collins for Bill #2318. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion made for the second reading by Alderman F. Blackwell, seconded by Aldermen A.



Robinson for the second reading, Craig did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill#2318 became Ordinance#1-1122-23 by the following roll call vote of the alderpersons. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson -Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell- No, D. Johnson- Abstain. Motion Carried.

6. An ordinance approving an additional sales tax on sales of adult-use marijuana and calling an election for voter approval of such tax.

The motion for the first reading made by Aldermen A. Robinson was seconded by Alderwoman E. Jones Collins for Bill #23-17. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

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

Bill#23-17 became Ordinance#3-1122-23 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.

7. An ordinance approving a use tax for general revenue purposes at the rate equal to the total local sales taxes in effect for the privilege of storing, using, or consuming within the City any article of tangible personal property pursuant to the authority granted by and subject to the provisions of Sections 144.600 through 144.761 RSMo; providing for the use tax to be repealed, reduced or raised in the same amount as any city sales tax is repealed, reduced or raised; AND CALLING AN ELECTION FOR VOTER APPROVAL OF SUCH TAX.

On the motion for the first reading made by Aldermen D. Johnson was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson for Bill #23-18. Craig did the first reading of the ordinance.

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

Bill#23-18 became Ordinance#2-1122-23 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.

8. Resolution of the Board of Alderperson approval of Missouri, declaring its official intent to pursue the joint establishment of a multi-jurisdictional transportation development district with other participating municipalities.

On the motion for the first reading made by resolution 2223. The motion for the first reading made by Aldermen A. Robinson was seconded by Alderman F. Blackwell.

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

Resolution 2223 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- Absent. Motion Carried.



8. Discussion of the approval of MO Dot Highway Improvement Project J6S3599.

The motion made to table the approval for the purchase of 147 square foot to 137 square foot temporary construction easement across the city property located at 1314 S. Florissant Rd. 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, D. Johnson- Absent Motion Carried.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENT

The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson- Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell, D. Johnson- Absent Motion Carried.
All in favor: none opposed.

WARRANTS

1. Approval of monthly bills for payments

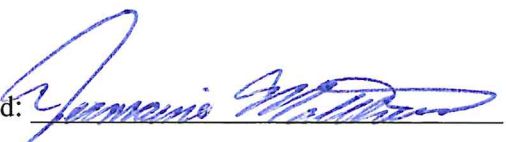
The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson- Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell, D. Johnson- Absent Motion Carried.

Approval of Closed session pursuant RSMO 610.021 (1) legal and (3) personnel.

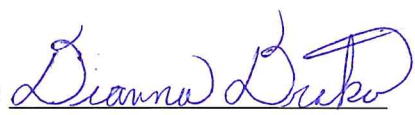
The motion made by Alderman F. Blackwell was seconded by Alderman A. Robinson. The vote was polled as follows: A. Robinson- Yes, E. Jones Collins – Yes, F. Blackwell, D. Johnson- Absent Motion Carried.

Adjournment

Alderman F. Blackwell made a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting and Alderman A. Robinson seconded the motion. The motion was carried upon a unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

Approved: 

Jermaine Matthew, Mayor

Attest: 
Dianna Drake, City Clerk