

CITY OF MINER
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MONTHLY MEETING
MINER COURT ROOM
July 17, 2012
5:30 p.m.

The Miner Board of Alderman met for its regular monthly meeting on July 17, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was posted in the foyer of the city hall and sent to the Standard-Democrat newspaper.

Mayor Tatum called the meeting to order. Roll call: Terry Cole – present, Peggy Holman – present, Deloris Smith – present. Those present were Sharon Smith, Randall Briggs, Bob Simpson, Stephanie Turner, Donnie Anglin, Don Holman, Chris Smith, Chief of Police Chris Griggs, Blaine Johnson, Bill James, Marvin Hatton, Scott Welton with the Standard-democrat. Joseph Fuchs was in his capacity as city attorney and City Clerk Danielle Patrick was there to record the minutes.

Mayor Tatum asked if anyone had any questions on the minutes, bills or the reports for the month of June 2012. Alderwoman Deloris Smith stated that she noticed that the fuel costs were still on the rise. A motion was made by Deloris Smith and seconded Peggy Holman to accept the bills, minutes and the reports for the month of June 2012. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. APPOINTING EMA DIRECTOR (BILL# _____/ORD# _____)

Mayor Tatum stated that Chris Beavers would like to be the EMA Director. Alderman Peggy Holman stated that she knew someone else who may be interested in the position and he lives in the city and has a college education. A motion was made by Peggy Holman and seconded by Deloris Smith to table the issue until the next meeting to give the other individual time to fill out an application. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE RENEWAL (BILL _____/ORD _____)

Mayor Tatum stated that the city is required to file this once every two years by the Missouri Ethics Commission. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Deloris Smith to place the bill on its first, second and third readings. The clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Deloris Smith – yes, Terry Cole – yes and Peggy Holman – yes. The mayor declared that bill 1035 had become ordinance 1023.

B. APPOINTING CODE ENFORCER (BILL _____/ORD _____)

Mayor Tatum stated that he would like to appoint Christopher Cooper as the Code Enforcement Officer since Marvin Hatton no longer wanted the position. Alderman Terry Cole asked Cooper if he was going to look at the commercial property as well as the residential. Cooper replied that if it pertained to code enforcing yes he was going to look at everyone, but he did not know anything about the inspection part. Mayor Tatum asked Cooper where he lived and Cooper informed the Mayor and the board that he lives in Sikeston behind Houchins. After much discussion a motion was made place bill 1036 on its first, second and third readings to appoint Christopher Cooper to the position of Code Enforcer for the City of Miner at the rate of \$150 per month. The clerk read the bill and followed with a roll call vote Terry Cole – yes, Deloris Smith – yes, and Peggy Holman – yes. Mayor Tatum announced that bill 1036 had become ordinance 1024.

C. BOOTHEEL REGIONAL PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION DUES 2012-2013

Mayor Tatum asked the board if they would like to renew the yearly dues to the Bootheel Regional Planning and Economic Development in the amount of \$295.20. A motion was made by Terry Cole and seconded by Peggy Holman to approve the payment of the dues for 2012-2013. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

D. MANDATING DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR CITY EMPLOYEES

The Mayor stated the board was looking at making direct deposit for all employees. The clerk stated that she sent out after a memo after the meeting at the last month meeting and she only had two responses and one preferred paper checks because of the convenience for managing their money and the other one just preferred paper checks. The clerk stated that she had two people sign up on direct deposit after the memo went out and we only have five people that are not on direct deposit. Alderman Terry Cole stated he felt that it should be optional. After other discussion it was a mutual decision of the board to keep direct deposit optional.

E. AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING UNAUTHORIZED PERSONNEL FROM ENTERING THE MINER POLICE DEPARTMENT AND/OR DISPATCH AND THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (BILL _____/ORD _____)
Mayor Tatum stated that he thought that this issue should be left to each individual department head to enforce. Alderwoman Peggy Holman asked if this issue could be tabled over to executive session. A motion was made by Peggy Holman and seconded by Deloris Smith to table the issue over to executive session. A roll call was taken with all ayes.

F. AMENDING EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

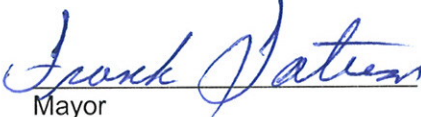
The clerk stated that the employee handbook needed to be amended to remove the employee equipment purchases. Alderman Terry Cole stated that he felt that the portion where an employee has to ask permission to work elsewhere on his or her days off needs to be removed as well, because what an employee does after they are off work is his or her own business. The clerk asked for permission to add the 8 hours of personal time that all full-time employees receive per year to vacation time for book keeping purposes and a motion was made by Peggy Holman to make the changes to the handbook and to add the personal time to vacation time for bookkeeping purposes the motion was seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote followed with all ayes.

With all regular business concluded Alderman Terry Cole stated he had a question for Marvin Hatton. Mr. Cole asked Hatton why they were not using the bush hog to mow the clover leaf instead of the Kubota. Hatton explained that the Kubota is quicker, but they can go back to using the bush hog. Alderman Cole also asked Hatton why they were mowing down the interstate with the cab doors open to the tractor. Hatton explained that he was not sure, but he did know that the compressor had been kicking in and out on the tractor and Harold had charged it that morning, the only assumption he had was that the compressor kicked out on him. Hatton did inform everyone that he was taking the tractor in to get it looked at on Wednesday.

Alisha Dambach approached the Mayor and the Board requesting a liquor license for a new bar that they are opening Lucky's Bar and Grill in the old Double Nickel building. Alisha asked the mayor and the board if they would conditionally approve Lucky's for a liquor license pending their health department inspection comes back good. Ms. Dambach also stated that they are doing some work to the sub-wolfers in the building to try to reduce the sound. A motion was made by Peggy Holman to conditionally approve Lucky's liquor license pending all paperwork and all inspections are completed the motion was seconded by Deloris Smith. A roll call vote was taken with all ayes.

Alderwoman Deloris Smith brought up the issue of appointing Janet Williams as a new board member. Smith stated that Ms. Williams was interested in the position. Alderwoman Peggy Holman stated that Randy Baker was also interested in the position. There was not a decision made at this point.

With all business concluded a motion was made by Deloris Smith to adjourn to executive per RSMo. 610.021.3 (Personnel) and RSMo 610.021.1 (legal) and the motion was seconded by Peggy Holman. A roll call vote followed with all ayes. Meeting adjourned.


Mayor


Clerk