

**SMITHVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR SESSION**

June 16, 2020 6:00 p.m.
City Hall Council Chambers

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was held via teleconference.

Mayor, Aldermen and staff attended via Zoom meeting. The meeting was streamed live on the city's YouTube page and also linked to the city's FaceBook page. Attendance in person by members of the public was not permitted.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Boley, present, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present via Zoom meeting: Steve Sarver, Marv Atkins, John Chevalier, Jeff Bloemker, Josh Hurlbert and Melissa Wilson. Staff present via Zoom: Cynthia Wagner, Nickie Lee, Chuck Soules, Chief Jason Lockridge, Jack Hendrix, Dan Toleikis, Matt Denton and Linda Drummond. City Attorneys John Reddoch and Scott Sullivan were also present via Zoom.

2. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Alderman Hurlbert

3. Consent Agenda

- **Minutes**
 - May 12, 2020 Board of Alderman Work Session Minutes
 - May 12, 2020 Board of Alderman Regular Session Minutes
- **Finance Report**
 - Finance Report for May 2020

No discussion.

Alderman Bloemker moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderwoman Wilson seconded the motion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. The Mayor declared the consent agenda approved.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

4. Committee Reports

Alderman Sarver reported on the June 9 Planning and Zoning Commission meeting. They discussed and approved the proposed changes to the 2018 Residential Codes. There have been 17 residential building permits since January.

Mayor Boley reported that Price Chopper and Porter's construction is progressing. White Iron Ridge now has walls up.

5. City Administrator's Report

Cynthia provided additional information on the schedule for proposed Parks and Recreation Month events. Britney Propes, Recreation and Marketing Manager, is working to put together a good plan for July. We will follow Clay County Public Health Center regulations with regard to social distancing, as well as size of events. We hope to be able to continue with those events. Information was provided in the packet with regard to fall programming. Cynthia explained we are moving forward with the fall programming and following Clay County Public Health Center guidelines.

Cynthia noted that in light of recent events at the national level, staff wanted to provide some information with regard to our Police Department. Chief Lockridge and the command staff are currently reviewing high-risk policies including use-of-force, use-of-force review board, taser use, officer-involved shooting policies and bias-based policing policies. Smithville has utilized in-car video for more than 20 years. Officers have body-worn cameras and those have been utilized since 2016. In 2019, all in-car and body worn video was replaced and upgraded. All sworn police officers complete annual POST-approved training on implicit bias. This helps individuals to recognize cultural bias that may exist and provide strategies in order to respond. Officers are trained in de-escalation when they attend a week-long crisis intervention training, currently 14 of our 17 frontline officers have had CIT training. Our goal is to provide at training to all staff on crisis intervention. Every use of force is reviewed by command staff. If the use of force results in death or serious physical injury, a use-of-force review board will conduct a review, in addition to outside or multi-agency investigation. This is an ongoing process and Cynthia recommended further discussion at a work session sometime this fall to review policies and provide additional information with regard to department operations.

Cynthia noted that the Board will have two meetings in July: July 7 and 21. The mayor has requested continuing Zoom meetings during the construction in the meeting room. We will monitor Clay County Public Health Center guidelines as well. Changes were made to the guidelines last night to allow 250 people in gatherings, but physically distancing might still create issues in our board meeting room. The work sessions over the next couple months will relate to development of the budget.

Alderwoman Wilson asked who specifically serves on that police use-of-force review board?

Chief Lockridge explained the policy outlines a list of personnel on the board. There is a minimum of five on the review board if it is convened. The list includes a supervisor, that is not the involved officer's direct supervisor, the supervisor that supervises that officer, an on staff in-house trainer, at least one individual from an outside agency and one final individual (Chief could not remember off the top of his head). Chief said that staff would send a copy of the policy to the Board.

Mayor Boley explained that he met Alderman Hurlbert prior to the meeting tonight and presented him with a Recognition of Service Proclamation.



Figure 1 - Mayor Boley presented Alderman Hurlbert a Recognition of Service Proclamation

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

6. Bill No. 2859-20, Declaring the June 2, 2020 Election Results for the Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax - Emergency Ordinance Sponsored by Mayor Boley -1st & 2nd Readings

Alderman Wilson moved to approve Bill No. 2859-20, to officially declare the results of the Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax from the June 2, 2020 Municipal election. 1st reading by title only. Alderman Hurlbert seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote via teleconference:

Alderman Atkins – Aye, Alderman Sarver – Aye, Alderman Wilson – Aye, Alderman Bloemker – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye, Alderman Hurlbert – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2859-20 approved first reading.

Alderman Bloemker moved to approve Bill No. 2859-20, to officially declare the results of the Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax from the June 2, 2020 Municipal election. 2nd reading by title only. Alderman Atkins seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote via teleconference:

Alderman Bloemker – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye, Alderman Hurlbert – Aye, Alderman Wilson – Aye, Alderman Sarver – Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2859-20 approved

7. Bill No. 2860-20, Authorizing the City to Impose a Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax – Emergency Ordinance Sponsored by Mayor Boley -1st & 2nd Readings

Alderwoman Wilson moved to approve Bill No. 2860-20, authorizing the City to impose a Parks and Stormwater Sales Tax in the amount of ½ percent until December 31, 2040 for operating, maintaining, funding, and/or financing parks and recreation needs and stormwater control. 1st reading by title only. Alderman Bloemker seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote via teleconference:

Alderman Atkins – Aye, Alderman Sarver – Aye, Alderwoman Wilson – Aye, Alderman Bloemker – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye, Alderman Hurlbert – Aye. Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2860-20 approved first reading.

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No discussion.

Upon roll call vote via teleconference:

Alderman Bloemker – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye, Alderman Hurlbert – Aye, Alderwoman Wilson – Aye, Alderman Sarver – Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2860-20 approved

8. Resolution 790, Award Bid No. 20-06, Audit Services

Alderman Hurlbert moved to approve Resolution 790, to award Bid No. 20-06 for Audit Services to audit the City’s financial position at the end of fiscal years 2021, 2022, and 2023, to Clifton Larson Allen, LLP in an amount not to exceed \$27,300. Alderman Sarver seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 790 approved.

9. Resolution 791, Certify the June 2, 2020 Election Results

Alderman Hurlbert moved to approve Resolution 791, to declare the results of the June 2, 2020 Municipal Election held in the City of Smithville, Missouri. Alderwoman Wilson the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 791 approved.

OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

10. Oath of Office for Newly Elected Officials

City Clerk, Linda Drummond, administered the oath of office to the newly elected officials: Mayor Damien Boley; Alderman Daniel Ulledahl, Ward I; Alderman Steve Sarver, Ward II; and, Alderman Marvin Atkins, Ward III.

11. Public Comment

Dirk Talley, 17270 North 169 Highway, spoke to the Board about the CARES Act funding. He stated that being a business owner of several different businesses he has been involved in a lot of this COVID-19 funding. He asked the City and Board of Alderman to truly consider how this funding is spent. He said there is a wide array of things that we could spend it on but asked that we spend this money on things that are truly needed that will make an impact for the citizens in general.

12. Adjourn

Alderwoman Wilson moved to adjourn. Alderman Atkins seconded the motion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries via teleconference. Mayor Boley declared the regular session adjourned at 6:15 p.m.



Linda Drummond, City Clerk



Damien Boley, Mayor