

**SMITHVILLE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR SESSION**

August 3, 2021, 7:00 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 FaceBook page. Attendance in person by members of the public was not permitted.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Boley was absent. Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver present via Zoom, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum of the Board was present via Zoom meeting: Marv Atkins, Dan Hartman, Dan Ulledahl, Kelly Kobylski and John Chevalier.

Staff present via Zoom: Cynthia Wagner, Anna Mitchell, Chuck Soules, Chief Jason Lockridge, Matt Denton, Stephen Larson, and Linda Drummond.

2. Pledge of Allegiance led by Cynthia Wagner

3. Consent Agenda

• **Minutes**

- July 19, 2021, Board of Alderman Work Session Minutes
- July 19, 2021, Board of Alderman Regular Session Minutes

No discussion.

Alderman Chevalier moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Ulledahl seconded the motion.

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

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

4. City Administrator's Report

Cynthia noted a few items in the report in the packet. The first item was information on setting the property tax rate. As outlined in the memo, typically the City must certify the tax rate with the counties by September 1. Since Clay County has changed their status to a charter there is a change in the time frame for the certification. Staff has had City Attorney, John Reddoch review the changes and it is consistent with state law. With the change we now do not certify our rate to Clay and Platte County until October 1, the county now has until September 15 to get the information to the cities, and we do not anticipate having the information before then. We may to hold a special meeting in September to set the general tax levy. Staff will keep the Board informed as we continue to receive information from the county.

Cynthia announced that we have two new staff members, Mayra Ore in the Finance Department and Gina Pate in the Public Works Department. Both have been working on several items to provide additional information to our communications. Part of that information is included in the City Administrator's report with the financial information that Mayra put together. As Cynthia mentioned in the Work Session when she introduced Gina, she has been making updates to the City website on the Public Works pages. Cynthia asked that the Board take a look at the improvements.

Cynthia gave an update on the American Rescue Plan Act money. As staff has indicated we anticipate between \$1.9 and \$2 million dollars. At this time, we do not have an exact amount we will be receiving. Staff did receive word late last week from the state that they are beginning the process for cities to be able to request those funds. Earlier this week staff did receive the paperwork to complete that application for those funds. The application is due by September 1. Staff is working to get the information together and will have it ready for Board approval at the August 17 meeting to allow the Mayor to submit the request by September 1.

Cynthia noted that Matt Denton, Parks Director shared information this morning that registration opened yesterday morning for campsites for the Haunted Campground. The campsites sold out in 30 minutes. The Haunted Campground is an incredibly popular event. They do still have some vendor slots available. The event will be held October 23.

Cynthia gave an update on the status of vacancies in the Police Department. Wes Lopez was hired earlier this year and is now finishing up his field training. Two City sponsored candidates, Colby Mathis and Landon Somerville, that are nearing the end their time at the Platte County Sheriff's Department Academy. They will graduate September 9 and then begin their field training which they will complete sometime around the end of the year. Two new recruits, Kaitlin Repola and Brett Hazelrigg, that were hired within the last couple of weeks will start the Blue River Academy tomorrow. The City is also sponsoring them. They will graduate from the academy by the end of the year and begin their field training about the time that Colby and Landon complete theirs. Staff will be making an offer to Lucas Selover this week and he will start the Kansas City Police Academy that starts in September. With the new hires it only leaves us with two vacancies in the department.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

5. Bill No. 2909-21, MoDOT Agreement – 2nd Reading

Alderman Ulledahl moved to approve Bill No. 2909-21, authorizing and directing the mayor to execute a transportation alternatives funds program agreement with the Missouri Highways And Transportation Commission. 2nd reading by title only. Alderman Atkins seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote:

Alderman Atkins – Aye, Alderman Hartman – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye,
Alderman Kobylski – Aye, Mayor Pro-Tem Alderman Sarver – Aye, Alderman Ulledahl –
Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2909-21 approved.

6. Bill No. 2910-21, Repealing Section 110.260 of the City Ordinances – 2nd Reading

Alderman Hartman moved to approve Bill No. 2910-21, repealing Section 110.260 of the City Ordinances and adopting a new Section 110.260 of the City Ordinances regarding court costs. 2nd reading by title only. Alderman seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote:

Alderman Ulledahl – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye, Alderman Kobylski – Aye,
Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver – Aye, Alderman Hartman – Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver declared Bill No. 2910-21 approved.

7. Bill No. 2911-21, Budget Amendment No. 7 – 2nd Reading

Alderman Ulledahl moved to approve Bill No. 2911-21, amending the FY21 operating budget to add \$93,000 to the expenditure budget for police radios and Incode software update. 2nd reading by title only. Alderman Kobylski seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Upon roll call vote:

Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver– Aye, Alderman Kobylski – Aye, Alderman Hartman – Aye,
Alderman Ulledahl – Aye, Alderman Atkins – Aye, Alderman Chevalier – Aye.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Bill No. 2911-21 approved.

8. Resolution 947, Residential Solid Waste Collection Services

Alderman Ulledahl moved to approve Resolution 947, authorizing the expenditure of funds for the purchase of portable police radios, for an amount not to exceed \$84,500.00. Alderman Atkins seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 947 approved.

9. Resolution 948, Special Event Permit

Alderman Chevalier moved to approve Resolution 948, approving a Special Event Permit to Eric Craig Real Estate Team for Festiville to be held at Courtyard Park on September 4, 2021. Alderman Kobylski seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 948 approved.

10. Resolution 949, Blueprint for Safer Roadways Grant

Alderman Hartman moved to approve Resolution 949, authorizing the Mayor to sign the agreement with the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission for the Blueprint for Safer Roadways Grant. Alderman Kobylski seconded the motion.

No discussion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Boley declared Resolution 949 approved.

OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

11. Public Comment

None

12. New Business from the Floor

Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver asked that the City Fireworks Ordinance concerning bottle rockets be discussed at an upcoming Work Session.

Cynthia noted that staff would gather information on what other city's regulations are to bring forward for a future Work Session.

13. Adjourn

Alderman Ulledahl moved to adjourn. Alderman Hartman seconded the motion.

Ayes – 6, Noes – 0, motion carries. Mayor Pro-Tem Sarver declared the regular session adjourned at 7:15 p.m.


Linda Drummond, City Clerk
Damien Boley, Mayor