

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI OCTOBER 24, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Branson, Missouri, met in Regular Session in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on October 24, 2023 at 6:00 PM. Mayor Milton called the meeting to order.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Briand called roll. Present: Mayor Milton, Alderman Ruth Denham, Alderman Clay Cooper, Alderman Marshall Howden, Alderman Chuck Rodriguez, Alderman Ralph LeBlanc. Absent: Alderman Cody Fenton.

AWARDS/RECOGNITIONS:

PROCLAMATIONS:

- A. A PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 26, 2023, AS "LIGHTS ON AFTERSCHOOL DAY" IN BRANSON PRESENTED BY MAYOR LARRY MILTON.

Mayor Milton presented the proclamation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Milton began the Public Comments section of the Board of Aldermen meeting by stating the Board would hear citizens who signed up in the order they are listed.

Speakers:

Deanna Slatton discussed "Unfinished business." She provided a handout to the Board (See attached handout).

Ryan Meuer discussed "Sewer use permits outside city limits."

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Milton asked if any member of the Board had any items they wished to have removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Hearing none, the following items were read by title:

1. APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING MINUTES FOR THE OCTOBER 10, 2023 STUDY SESSION AND OCTOBER 10, 2023 REGULAR MEETING.

2. ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 19, 2023 MEETING.
3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 THROUGH OCTOBER 12, 2023.
4. FINAL READING OF BILL NO. 6379 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE INTERFUND-LOAN BETWEEN THE TOURISM FUND AND THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND (TURF PROJECT) FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TURF SURFACE PLAYING FIELD.

Ordinance No. 2023-0124 was duly enacted.

5. FINAL READING OF BILL NO. 6380 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2-330 OF THE BRANSON MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO NOTICE OF MEETING TO FIX RATES.

Ordinance No. 2023-0125 was duly enacted.

6. FINAL READING OF BILL NO. 6381 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2023 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BRANSON TO ADJUST MONIES IN THE TRANSPORTATION FUND FOR AN INCREASE IN THE SERVICE CENTER HEAVY EQUIPMENT REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

Ordinance No. 2023-0126 was duly enacted.

The floor was opened for a motion to approve all items on the Consent Agenda. Alderman Cooper so moved, seconded by Alderman Denham.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

REGULAR AGENDA:

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6382 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE BRANSON MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO UTILITIES FEE SCHEDULE.

This item was read by title. Mayor Milton opened the public hearing and asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of or opposing this matter. Hearing none, Mayor Milton closed the public hearing.

Alderman Rodriguez left the meeting at 6:28 p.m. and returned at 6:29 p.m.

The floor was opened for a motion approving FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6382 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A OF THE BRANSON MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO UTILITIES FEE SCHEDULE. Alderman Howden so moved, seconded by Alderman Cooper.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

No discussion.

8. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH CHEMTRADE CHEMICALS US, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF OPERATIONAL CHEMICALS USED IN THE CITY'S WATER TREATMENT PROCESS AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO.

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE RENEWAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH CHEMTRADE CHEMICALS US, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF OPERATIONAL CHEMICALS USED IN THE CITY'S WATER TREATMENT PROCESS AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO. Alderman Cooper so moved, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R053 was adopted.

No discussion.

9. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH FLYNN DRILLING COMPANY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A GROUNDWATER WELL PUMP ASSEMBLY FOR CITY WELL #10 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT.

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH FLYNN DRILLING COMPANY, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A GROUNDWATER WELL PUMP ASSEMBLY FOR CITY WELL #10 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT. Alderman Rodriguez so moved, seconded by Alderman Denham.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R054 was adopted.

No discussion.

10. A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH BROADWAY FORD TRUCK SALES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F-550 AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO.

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH BROADWAY FORD TRUCK SALES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A FORD F-550 AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO. Alderman Cooper so moved, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R055 was adopted.

No discussion.

11. A RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE TRI-LAKES BIOSOLIDS JOINT MUNICIPAL UTILITY COMMISSION.

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE AND ALTERNATE TO THE TRI-LAKES BIOSOLIDS JOINT MUNICIPAL UTILITY COMMISSION. Alderman Rodriguez so moved, seconded by

Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R056 was adopted.

No discussion.

12. FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6383 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF BRANSON'S HUMAN RESOURCES MANUAL, ARTICLE 6 - SECTION 4 PERTAINING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR ORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT AND HIRING OF RELATIVES.

The item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion approving FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6383 AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE CITY OF BRANSON'S HUMAN RESOURCES MANUAL, ARTICLE 6 - SECTION 4 PERTAINING TO REQUIREMENTS FOR ORIGINAL EMPLOYMENT AND HIRING OF RELATIVES. Alderman Rodriguez so moved, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Discussion.

13. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI, STATING FACTS AND REASONS FOR THE NECESSITY TO AMEND AND INCREASE THE FISCAL YEAR 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET DUE TO UNFORESEEN MOLD REMEDIATION EXPENSES AND THE REMAINING BUILDING MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2023.

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Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R057 was adopted.

No discussion.

14. FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6384 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADOPTED FISCAL YEAR 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BRANSON TO ADJUST MONIES FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENSES DUE TO UNFORESEEN MOLD REMEDIATION EXPENSES AND THE REMAINING BUILDING MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2023.

The item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion approving FIRST READING OF BILL NO. 6384 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADOPTED FISCAL YEAR 2023 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BRANSON TO ADJUST MONIES FOR ADDITIONAL EXPENSES DUE TO UNFORESEEN MOLD REMEDIATION EXPENSES AND THE REMAINING BUILDING MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR 2023. Alderman Denham so moved, seconded by

Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

No discussion.

- 15. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND STATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PERTAINING TO PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT EISERMAN PARK.**

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION WITH THE MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND STATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PERTAINING TO PARK IMPROVEMENTS AT EISERMAN PARK. Alderman Howden so moved, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R058 was adopted.

No discussion.

- 16. A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS MOTLEY AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE AND APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE MOTLEY LAW FIRM, P.C. FOR MUNICIPAL JUDICIAL SERVICES AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO.**

This item was read by title. The floor was opened for a motion to adopt A RESOLUTION APPOINTING THOMAS MOTLEY AS MUNICIPAL JUDGE AND APPROVING THE CONTRACT WITH THE MOTLEY LAW FIRM, P.C. FOR MUNICIPAL JUDICIAL SERVICES AND ACTIONS RELATED THERETO. Alderman Rodriguez so moved, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Resolution No. 2023-R059 was adopted.

No discussion.

APPOINTMENTS:

- 17. APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF ALDERMEN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD.**

City Clerk Hillary Briand stated this appointment process is in accordance with the Board and Committee Appointments Procedure for Category 4, appointments made by the Mayor but not approved by the Board of Aldermen. Mayor Milton announced the following appointment:

Appointment of Board of Aldermen Representative to the Chamber of Commerce Board:

Marshall Howden to fill the unexpired term of Clay Cooper expiring April 2024.

- 18. APPOINTMENTS TO THE FALL CREEK VALLEY COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT**

(CID) BOARD.

City Clerk Hillary Briand stated this appointment process is in accordance with the Board and Committee Appointments Procedure for Category 5, appointments made by the Mayor with approval by the Board of Aldermen. The Board will be voting on the appointments. Mayor Milton announced the following appointments to be voted on:

Appointments to the Fall Creek Valley Community Improvement District (CID) Board:

David A. Cushman with a term expiring November 12, 2027

James C. Cushman with a term expiring November 12, 2027

Andrew D. Cushman with a term expiring November 12, 2025

Robert R. Huels with a term expiring November 12, 2025

Tim Edwards with a term expiring November 12, 2025

The floor was opened for a motion approving APPOINTMENTS TO THE FALL CREEK VALLEY COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CID) BOARD. Alderman Howden so moved, seconded by Alderman Rodriguez.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

No discussion.

19. APPOINTMENT TO THE 76 ENTERTAINMENT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CID) BOARD.

City Clerk Hillary Briand stated this appointment process is in accordance with the Board and Committee Appointments Procedure for Category 5, appointments made by the Mayor with approval by the Board of Aldermen. The Board will be voting on the appointment. Mayor Milton announced the following appointment to be voted on:

Appointment to the 76 Entertainment Community Improvement District (CID) Board:

Cathy Stepp – Appointment as a City Director to fill the unexpired term of Clay Cooper until March 2026.

The floor was opened for a motion approving APPOINTMENT TO THE 76 ENTERTAINMENT COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (CID) BOARD. Alderman LeBlanc so moved, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

REPORTS

Alderman Denham thanked Alderman Howden for the opportunity to attend the Jim Stafford event at his Song of Hope Museum. She addressed a comment that was made at the last Board of Aldermen meeting which appeared in the Branson Tri-Lakes Newspaper and she explained the agenda item pertaining to drag shows had everything to do with zoning which was the reason it came before the Board.

Alderman Cooper inquired if the lights on the basketball court at Cantwell Park are on a timer. He's received several calls about kids who would like to play after sunset, but the lights haven't been on.

Alderman Howden commented on Jim Stafford Day which he felt was awesome and he expressed appreciation for the Mayor allowing him to preserve history. He shared how all the people the Board's honored always express their love and adoration for the City of Branson. He commented on his appointment to the Chamber of Commerce Board and explained he will take it seriously as he does with his life's work of dealing with Branson's live music shows and preserving history.

Alderman LeBlanc attended Jim Stafford Day and he thinks Alderman Howden has done a great job at his Song of Hope Museum. He feels it's going to be an anchor for that area to build around and he congratulated him on it.

Mayor Milton commented on Jim Stafford Day and feels it was very touching as Mr. Stafford performed in Branson for 30 years. He discussed the City's legislative priorities which will need to be given to State Representative Brian Seitz soon. He mentioned being fulfilled when interacting with City Directors and complimented Finance Director Cherri Phifer for doing a great job and thanked Planning Project Manager Cody Stice for all he's doing with the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO 610.021.1 RSMO FOR COMMUNICATION WITH ATTORNEY, 610.021.2 RSMO FOR REAL ESTATE AND 610.021.12 RSMO FOR NEGOTIATED CONTRACT.

The floor was opened for a motion to move into Executive Session.

Alderman Cooper moved to go into Closed Executive Session pursuant to 610.021.1 RSMo for Communication with Attorney, 610.021.2 RSMo for Real Estate and 610.021.12 RSMo for Negotiated Contract, seconded by Alderman Howden.

Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

ADJOURN

The floor was opened for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Rodriguez so moved, seconded by Alderman Cooper. Voting aye: Denham, Cooper, Howden, Rodriguez, LeBlanc. Nays: none. Motion Carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Larry D. Milton
Mayor

Hillary Briand
City Clerk

10/24/23- Handout submitted by Deanna Slatton

Fwd: Unfinished Business - City of Branson Aldermen Meeting October 24, 2023 During Public Comment

Deanna Slatton <deannaslatton2@gmail.com>

Tue 10/24/2023 5:05 PM

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Date: Tue, Oct 24, 2023, 3:46 PM

Subject: Unfinished Business - City of Branson Aldermen Meeting October 24, 2023

To: Deanna Slatton <deannaslatton2@gmail.com>, <deannaslatton@yahoo.com>

Unfinished Business!

The City of Branson has been slow and even ignored requests made by We The People.

Issues that are currently on the table that we need to address right now are;

Letter of Intent Served February 14, 2023

IMMEDIATE Cease and Desist Order Issued on ALL COVID-19 PRODUCTS AND PROCEDURES and RELATED ACTIVITIES in BRANSON MISSOURI USA!

It has been proven that Covid-19 Vaccines do not serve the purpose they were created for in protecting We The People and that they actually do more harm than good which qualifies them as a Bioweapon and all related Covid-19 Test and other activities are also an act of fraud and treason against We The People and needs to be ceased immediately until an actual COVID-19 VIRUS is isolated, which has not happened to date anywhere across the world.

Letter of Intent Served February 28, 2023

IMMEDIATE Cease and Desist Order Issued on ALL 5G Broadcasting of ALL FREQUENCIES inside the City Limits of Branson Missouri USA until safety research is completed!

Harmful Hazardous Materials are being generated in the form of Microwave Radiation exceeding safe levels for plants, wildlife and humans. According to

the contracts executed for water tower lease agreements, if Lessee cannot immediately remediate the health hazards and show proof of acceptable Safety Data The City of Branson may immediately terminate the lease agreements!

1st Amendment Violations September 26, 2023

2 Comments were removed from the Official City of Branson Board of Aldermen Meeting YouTube Transcript.

This has happened many times since March 2023

Misprision Of Treason by Branson Mayor Larry Milton and Branson City Administrator Kathy Stepp October 2, 2023

September 22, 2023 A Request to Mayor Larry Milton was placed for a Phone Call with Branson Mayor, City Administrator, Emergency Management Director & Robert Brim to discuss Branson Municipal Code Chapter 34 - Emergency Management & Services under the category of Enemy Attack has been ignored!

The City of Branson elected and appointed officials do not currently have Surety Bonds to hold office as required by the State of Missouri!

This needs to be addressed immediately!

Loss of communications with Mayor Larry Milton with him referring We The People to an attorney to speak to which is unacceptable! Branson City Administrator has not returned a phone call ever in the past 34 weeks. Loss of Clear Communications with Branson City Leaders is Unacceptable!

We The People Demand clear communication from our elected and appointed officials!

We The People request an operational timeline to complete and remedy everything listed here now!

It's Come Time To Pick What Side You All Are On!

Are You With We The People or The Enemy?

I would appreciate a response.

(wait for the answer)