

MINUTES

WORK SESSION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN CITY OF BRANSON, MISSOURI December 4, 2007

INTRODUCTORY

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Branson, Missouri met for a work session in the Fishbowl Conference Room of the City Hall on December 4, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. The following members were present:

Mayor Raeanne Presley presiding, Jack Purvis, Sandra Williams, Bob McDowell, Dick Gass and Stephen Marshall present. Absent: Stan Barker.

Also present from the City were: Acting City Administrator Frank Schoneboom, City Attorney Paul Link, City Clerk Lisa Westfall, Director of Communications Jerry Adams, Director of Finance Ferris Brown, Director of Public Works Larry VanGilder, Director of Planning and Zoning Don Stephens, Parks Director Cindy Shook, Director of Health Linn Smith and Director of Human Resources Debbie Durler.

Mayor Presley called the meeting to order.

REGULAR AGENDA

Frank Schoneboom provided the Administrator's Report.

The following information relating to the setting of an agenda for the regular business meeting of December 10, 2007 was discussed:

Request for funds by the American Presidents Museum from the Tourism Tax Contingency Fund. (removed from 12/10/07 agenda)

Approving annexation of property petitioned by Richard Matto located at 202, 209, 212 and 220 Hunter Avenue.

Approving annexation of property petitioned by Aaron and Joy Penrod located at 130 Brookside Court.

Amending the Branson Municipal Code, Section 62-11 to increase certain Park User Fees.

Authorizing the expenditure of funds from the City's Tourism Tax Contingency Fund to the Branson Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce to be used for marketing for the Billboard Magazine Event, and authorizing the Mayor to execute the agreement.

Approving a contract with the Historic Downtown Branson Business Owners Association regarding the Walk of Fame and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same. (removed from 12/10/07 agenda)

Awarding the bid to Thomas Brothers Office Furnishings for the purchase of materials, equipment and labor for the reconfiguration of the Planning and Development Office.

Awarding the bid to Van Wall Equipment and Turf Professionals for purchase of mowers for the City of Branson Parks and Recreation Department and authorizing the mayor to execute the same.

Also discussed was:

Waiving fees for temporary licenses such as merchant/craft shows, peddlers and art shows. Bob Koehn, Branson Arts Council addressed the Board.

Review of the marketing funds and the creation of the 2% Tourism Tax Contingency Fund.

Tourism Tax Contingency Fund uses and procedures.

Update on the integration of the City of Branson Health Department and the Taney County Health Department. Jim Berry, Director of Taney County Health Department fielded questions by the Board on behalf of the County Health Board.

Review of the animal tag ordinance.

Release of executive session information.

Follow-up to the request for a drive-up utility payment drop box.

Report from the Finance Committee.

Legislative priorities.

Citizens Survey.

Update on Taneycomo Bridge.

Update on Natural Gas.

Resolution adopting the use of the word "Christmas."

Board of Aldermen requests for agenda items to be placed on future agendas.

Alderman McDowell left the meeting at 12:04 p.m.

ADJOURN

Mayor Presley asked for a motion to adjourn. Alderman Purvis so moved, seconded by Alderwoman Williams. Voting aye: Purvis, Williams, Gass and Marshall. Nays: none. Absent: Barker and McDowell. Meeting adjourned at 12:14 p.m.