

**CITY OF NEW FLORENCE
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
March 10, 2014**

The Board of Aldermen for the City of New Florence met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. on March 10, 2014. Mayor Burroughs called the meeting to order.

Present for roll call were:

Council Members Present

Mayor John Burroughs
Alderman Andy Johnson
Alderman Corey Johnson
Alderman Gerry Schindler
Alderman Steve Williams

Staff Present

City Administrator/Police Chief Dave Ingle
City Clerk Adell Jonas
Public Works Director Alan Weber
Accounts Clerk Amy Talbot

Visitors

Adrian Heichelbech, Vipin Bhatt and Emrit Patel.

CONSENT ITEMS: The consent items consisted of the February 10 regular and closed board meeting minutes and the claims. Clerk Jonas asked permission to add the Sprint bill to the claims when it came in.

Motion:

Alderman Williams made a motion to accept the consent items with the addition to the claims. This was seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

VISITOR COMMENTS: Vipin Bhatt presented a letter and information regarding the detriments to the hotel businesses located in New Florence if the hotel/motel tax passes. City Administrator Ingle presented some rebuttal comments. Bhatt asked what specific plans the City had as use for the income. After hearing some of those plans, he asked them to consider 2 or 3%. He and Mr. Patel then left the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

Motion:

Regarding the haying on the City's irrigation ground, Alderman Schindler made a motion to send a letter out to Art Daume about rebidding the haying when his current contract expires this November, and to put a bid notice in the newspaper. This was seconded by Alderman Andy Johnson.

Vote: Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Since the Montgomery County Historical Society declined the donation of the old city safe, Administrator Ingle asked the Board what they wanted to do with it.

Motion:

Alderman Corey Johnson made a motion to put it on open bid March 11 and close the bidding at 5:00 on March 17. Alderman Andy Johnson gave the second.

Vote: Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Clerk Jonas presented lien releases for the Hodge, Sullivan and Jones properties.

Motion:

Alderman Williams motioned to authorize the lien releases, seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

Vote: Mayor John Burroughs	None
Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Chief Ingle spoke regarding membership to the Eastern Missouri Drug Task Force. The State of Missouri has implemented some changes within the current program. Each drug task force has to have 10 associate members or the non-member cities will be subject to \$3,000 to \$5,000 clean up fees per incident from the State. The membership cost is \$1,000 per year. The membership also includes some community awareness and education programs for citizens and training courses for police officers.

Motion:

Alderman Williams motioned to approve membership in the Eastern Missouri Drug Task Force. Alderman Corey Johnson provided the second.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

A budget committee work session date was set for March 31 at 1:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Resolutions 2014-02 and 2014-03 regarding disposition of surplus property were presented.

Motion:

Alderman Williams made the motion to pass Resolution 2014-02 and Resolution 2014-03 to run as open bid items or be scrapped for disposal. Alderman Andy Johnson seconded the motion. The items will be included for open bid from March 11 through 5:00 p.m. on March 17.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

The Franklin Street water tower maintenance financing was the next topic under discussion. City Administrator David Ingle asked for approval to finance this maintenance over a period of three or four years as our water account does not have the available funds for an expense projected to cost \$60,000 or more to paint and refurbish the outside of the tower.

Motion:

Alderman Andy Johnson motioned to have the staff check on financing, and to have a bid proposal written and go out for bid on this maintenance project. This was seconded by Alderman Williams.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Administration: City Administrator David Ingle presented his report. He mentioned the city website undergoing construction and how individuals can go through the website to contact the City with any issues or concerns they might have. He is getting ready to work on the sidewalk project. The City Hall remodel is ongoing. Clark Street has been surveyed and staked. Alderman Williams inquired about City Hall’s roof. Ingle stated that it would be addressed in the next budget year.

Police: The report was presented by Chief Ingle.

City Clerk: Clerk Jonas presented her report. She pointed out that Missouri Rural Services’ (work comp carrier) invoice came in considerably cheaper than the quote provided by Missouri Employer’s Mutual. She had listed the invoice on the claims for approval.

Legal: Attorney Ferman was not in attendance for this portion of the meeting. City Administrator Ingle stated that our back up attorney had left Ferman’s firm. A new candidate for Attorney Pro Tem would need to be found.

Parks & Recreation: Director Talbot stated that a little over \$300 had been made on the Cardinal tickets to date. She outlined the cost to install a sand volleyball pit at the Park.

Motion:

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to get the sand volleyball league up and going and to approve a \$1400.00 budget for this project. This was seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Nay
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Talbot also requested to get a credit card for Park purchases so there would be an itemized paper trail of the purchases.

Motion:

Alderman Corey Johnson made a motion to have the Parks Department apply for a credit card. The second to the motion came from Alderman Andy Johnson.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Nay
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Ms. Talbot produced a letter from Anne Jacobi resigning from the Park Committee.

Legal: David Ferman introduced an associate attorney William Wicker.

Public Works: Superintendent Weber presented his report. He stated that there was a wastewater class being held in New Haven in April that he would like to have Ken Williams attend.

Motion:

Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to go to closed session. Alderman Williams seconded the motion.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries.

Motion:

Upon return from closed session where one motion was made with vote taken, Alderman Andy Johnson made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Alderman Corey Johnson.

Vote:	Mayor John Burroughs	None
	Alderman Gerry Schindler	Aye
	Alderman Andy Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Corey Johnson	Aye
	Alderman Steve Williams	Aye

The motion carries and the meeting adjourned.

Adell Jonas, City Clerk

John Burroughs, Mayor