

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MINUTES

April 22, 2008

Item 1 call to order

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor Judy Stainback. Aldermen Stephen Esterline, Aaron Kruse, Darrin Snodgrass, and Theresa Stockton. Aldermen Tim Bair and Debra Hickey absent. City Administrator, Rick Hess, present.

Item 2 introduction of members

The Aldermen introduced themselves and gave background information on their employment, family, and reason for becoming an Alderman.

Item 3 comments from Mayor

Mayor Judy Stainback introduced herself and gave a history of her experience with the City of Battlefield. Mayor Stainback explained to the Aldermen the reason for the training sessions. The Aldermen were reminded that their appearance at meetings was viewed by the public; and although there was no set dress code for meetings, casual business was the minimum dress requested. Judy also reminded the Aldermen that their council packets delivered to their homes DO need to be studied at least once before the scheduled meeting. Riggins Rules of Order were reviewed by the Mayor, the City Administrator, and the Aldermen.

Item 4 comments from City Administrator

City Administrator, Rick Hess, introduced himself and gave a brief history of his employment, family, and reason for becoming a staff member of the City of Battlefield. Mr. Hess requested that during a meeting, the Aldermen conduct no sidebars between themselves, as that is perceived by the public as a bad thing. Mr. Hess also explained the rules and conduct concerning closed sessions of Board of Aldermen meetings. If the Aldermen have questions, issues, or orders for employees, they are to make their requests directly to the City Administrator, as he is the office manager now.

Mayor Stainback called for recess from 8:00pm to 8:15pm.

Item 5 Missouri sunshine law

Mr. Rick Hess defined and then discussed the Missouri sunshine law and the importance of it with the Aldermen. Mayor Stainback interjected comments as needed.

Alderman Darrin Snodgrass left at 8:30pm.

Item 6 Aldermen protocol

No discussion.

Item 7 Parliamentary Procedures

No discussion.

Item 8 question and answer session

Alderman Kruse requested the Board receive future training on final plats, budget, and monthly financials. Other general questions were asked by Board members and answered by either Mayor Stainback or Mr. Hess.

Item 9 adjournment

Motion by Aaron Kruse to adjourn meeting. Second by Theresa Stockton. Roll call vote with Tim Bair absent, Stephen Esterline aye, Debra Hickey absent, Aaron Kruse aye, Darrin Snodgrass absent, and Theresa Stockton aye. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.

_____ Mayor Judy Stainback

_____ Date

ATTEST:

_____ Susan R. Diehl, CMC/MRCC

_____ Date