

**DEXTER BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 4, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Dexter Board of Aldermen was held Monday, November 4, 2024, at the Municipal Building, 119 Vine Street, Dexter, Missouri.

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Mark Snider called the meeting to order.

Aldermen present: Glen Robinson, Terry Battles, Tim Aslin, Larry Helm, and Randal Tension. Also, present were: City Clerk Crystal Bishop, City Attorney Yewell Lawrence, Jr. and City Administrator David Wyman. Alderman Bryce Matthews was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting held Monday, October 7, 2024, have been distributed. There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mayor Snider entertained a motion that the minutes be approved as printed.

**Motion:** By Alderman Battles that the minutes be approved as printed.

**Second:** By Alderman Robinson

**Motion Carried 5-0**

**CITIZENS' INPUT**

Mr. Jack Schaefer, 107 East St. Francis Street, asked about the \$2.00 increase per month for his sewer bill. City Administrator Wyman explained the wastewater system has reached the end of its service life, the city has acquired a facility plan to get the city back into compliance with DNR. The city has applied for grants to help with the project, the overall cost is \$32 million. The increase on the sewer bill was based on number of users, cost of project, and length of loan. Mayor Snider stated the city has been conservative with water and sewer rates for years.

**CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT**

C.P.A. Eddie Cato presented the financial report for September 2024. The report showed the city had nearly \$8.6 million in cash and investments. In September disbursements of \$1,129,156.94 exceeded receipts of \$1,681,010.10 by \$551,853.16.

The September Sales Tax was \$177,138, Capital Improvement Tax and Park and Recreation Tax were \$97,023. The receipts for the month included sales tax, use tax, and grant receipts. He stated disaster receipts have been moved to insurance receipts to help with auditing purposes. The disbursements for the month included paving project, capital expenditures, and grant expenditures. He reviewed the water and sewer fund deficit.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

City Attorney Lawrence presented a resolution for a generator for the Airport through the Hazard Mitigation grant program.

**RESOLUTION 2024.04**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF DEXTER TO APPLY THROUGH THE MISSOURI STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (SEMA) TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR FUNDING FROM THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM.

**Motion:** By Alderman Aslin to approve Resolution 2024.04

**Second:** By Alderman Tennison

**Motion Carried 5-0**

City Attorney Lawrence presented a resolution for a generator for the Police Department through the Hazard Mitigation program.

**RESOLUTION 2024.05**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CITY OF DEXTER TO APPLY THROUGH THE MISSOURI STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (SEMA) TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR FUNDING FROM THE HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM.

**Motion:** By Alderman Battles to approve Resolution 2024.05

**Second:** By Alderman Aslin

**Motion Carried 5-0**

City Attorney Lawrence presented a proposed ordinance to amend section 235.070 of the City Code regarding maintaining a dumpster on any property used for residential purposes, regardless of zoning, except for use by multiple-housing facilities containing five or more dwelling units.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 5168**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 235.070 OF THE CITY CODE MAKING IT UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO PLACE OR DISPOSE OF HYPODERMIC NEEDLES, SYRINGES OR OTHER BIOHAZARD MATERIALS OR UNEMPTIED URINE AND/OR COLOSTOMY BAGS IN TRASH BAGS OR CONTAINERS FOR PICK UP BY THE CITY OF DEXTER; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Alderman Helm moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5168 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

**Ayes:** Aldermen Aslin, Helm, Tennison, Robinson and Battles  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Alderman Matthews

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Helm, that Ordinance Number 5168 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

**Ayes:** Aldermen Helm, Tennison, Robinson, Battles and Aslin  
**Nays:** None  
**Absent:** Alderman Matthews

**Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5168 duly passed.**

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

There were no Committee Reports.

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD'S REPORT**

Police Chief Hank Trout reported the department hosted a field sobriety training, applying for a state block grant, and the holiday DWI campaign will begin soon. The animal shelter will be having an open house on Saturday.

Fire Chief Don Seymore reported October is fire prevention month and they have had fire extinguisher classes at businesses. The department has also updated photos on the website and Facebook pages.

Street & Sanitation Superintendent Jeremiah Robinson reported they have been replacing street signs damaged in the storm and have begun installing new Christmas decorations at the depot and downtown. There is a delay in shipping the decorations.

Superintendent Robinson recommended hiring Mr. Jebidiah Hubbard for a full-time sanitation position to fill the vacancy created by Mr. William Lundy retiring. Mayor Snider appointed Mr. Hubbard for the full-time sanitation position.

**Motion:** By Alderman Aslin to ratify the appointment of Mr. Hubbard for the full-time sanitation.

**Second:** By Alderman Battles

**Motion Carried 5-0**

Park & Recreation Superintendent Jamie Rowe reported Christmas decorations for the pond have been ordered and have a shipping delay and the Halloween Happening had good participation. The little league basketball season has begun, and they are getting ready for the Light It Up holiday lights.

Water & Wastewater Superintendent Jim Overall reported they have been doing plant maintenance and repairing leaks.

Librarian Jordan Myers reported they have received a LSTA grant for staff computers and visitor numbers are still good.

Building & Grounds Leighton Hensley was unable to attend tonight's meeting. City Administrator Wyman stated he is continuing the renovations at the municipal building.

**CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT**

Mr. Rich Cochran reported on the UV project for the wastewater system and the lift station project.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

Economic Developer Alisha Trammell reported on the following items.

- Fall Fest went well with nearly 10,000 in attendance.
- Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> Veterans Day program will be held at the BEC.
- Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> will be the Christmas tree lighting at the Depot.
- Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> will be a ribbon cutting at Republic Services.
- Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup> will be a meet and greet at Cal-Maine for a hiring event.
- Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> is Moonlight Madness downtown.
- Attending Chamber Executive Conference.

Ms. Trammell distributed a handout regarding childcare for our area and reviewed the data. She recommended an incentive on waiving water, sewer, and trash charges to get daycares to come to Dexter. (see attachment) Mayor Snider asked if the state has caught up with paying local daycares. The state has made some strides in reimbursement. Alderman Helm asked if the incentive would be for existing daycares. The recommendation is for new daycare facilities only.

**Motion:** By Alderman Aslin to accept the incentive recommendation on waiving water, sewer and trash charges for new daycares once they are state approved and opened.

**Second:** By Alderman Helm

**Motion Carried 5-0**

**CITY CLERK'S REPORT**

City Clerk Bishop presented the disbursements for October included capital and grant expenditures.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 5169**

SOUTHERN BANK ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 628,113.55
SOUTHERN BANK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	\$ 277,154.08
SOUTHERN BANK ARP ACCOUNT	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK DEP. & REPLACEMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK HEALTH ACCOUNT	\$ 86,261.16
SOUTHERN BANK PRINCIPAL & INT FUND	\$ 24,839.01
SOUTHERN BANK TOURISM TAX ACCOUNT	\$ 20,315.35
SOUTHERN BANK CDBG ACCOUNT	\$ 543,061.00
TOTAL	 \$1,579,744.15

Alderman Helm moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5169 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

**Ayes:** Aldermen Tennison, Robinson, Battles, Aslin and Helm

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Alderman Matthews

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Aslin, that Ordinance Number 5169 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

**Ayes:** Aldermen Robinson, Battles, Aslin, Helm and Tennison

**Nays:** None

**Absent:** Alderman Matthews

**Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5169 duly passed.**

City Clerk Bishop announced filing date for the April, 2025 election is December 10<sup>th</sup>.

### **CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

City Administrator David Wyman reported on the following items:

- October 18<sup>th</sup> the City held their annual Safety Day it went well and he thanked the Fire Department for preparing lunch.
- The report has been submitted and letters have been mailed to citizens regarding the lead service line inventory.
- The police department has vehicles for sale. The K-9 unit would be advertised to police departments throughout the state and the other two cars would be advertised on the Purple Wave. Motion made by Alderman Battles to advertise the vehicles as mentioned, seconded by Alderman Robinson. Motion Carried 5-0
- Christmas decorations will be replaced downtown and have been ordered. There has been a delay in delivery which will potentially be in by November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Looking into a cyber security grant and he has attended interviews for a new IT person for the city when our current person retires. The interviews included the police department, sheriff's office, SCAD, and Stoddard County 911.
- Gathering HVAC bids for the municipal building and depot.
- Consider installing battery backups for stop lights around the city. The city would purchase the backups and MoDot will be responsible for installation and maintenance. The cost for each backup is \$5,000.00 per unit.
- A grant has been received to install a kayak launch at the city pond. The Board will need to update the City Code to allow kayaks on the pond.
- The Planning and Zoning Commission agreed to implement ICC and Fire Codes.
- November 21<sup>st</sup> Safe Streets for All committee will conduct a road safety audit.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Snider presented a temporary liquor application for Dexter Pizza Company for Moonlight Madness.

**Motion:** By Alderman Aslin to approve the temporary liquor application for Dexter Pizza Company for Moonlight Madness.

**Second:** By Alderman Battles

**Motion Carried 5-0**

Mayor Snider presented Ms. Kate Parsons and Ms. Laura Dumey be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Motion:** By Alderman Helm to approve Ms. Parsons and Ms. Dumey for the Planning and Zoning Commission.

**Second:** By Alderman Aslin

**Motion Carried 5-0**

Mayor Snider thanked everyone for all they do.

**ALDERMANIC FORUM**

The Board reminded everyone to vote tomorrow.

There being no further business to come before the Board.

**Motion:** By Alderman Aslin to adjourn the meeting.

**Second:** By Alderman Helm

**Motion Carried 5-0**

Attest:

Crystal Bishop  
Crystal Bishop, City Clerk



Mark Snider  
Mark Snider, Mayor

Approved: 12-31-24