

**DEXTER BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
DECEMBER 3, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Dexter Board of Aldermen was held Tuesday, December 3, 2024, at the Municipal Building, 119 Vine Street, Dexter, Missouri.

At 7:00 p.m., President of the Board of Aldermen Larry Helm called the meeting to order.

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

The minutes of the previous regular meeting held Monday, November 4, 2024, have been distributed. There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, President Helm entertained a motion that the minutes be approved as printed.

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

Second: By Alderman Battles

Motion Carried 5-0

CITIZENS' INPUT

There was no Citizens' Input

PUBLIC HEARING

Ms. Cammy Murphy, BRPC, conducted a public hearing for the closeout of the City's FY 2022 Street Project. The Board agreed there were no issues or other input for the grant project.

CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT

C.P.A. Eddie Cato was unable to attend tonight's meeting but provided a financial report for October 2024. The report showed the city had nearly \$8.6 million in cash and investments. In October disbursements of \$1,603,047 exceeded receipts of \$1,592,358 by \$10,688.

The October Sales Tax was \$151,306, Capital Improvement Tax and Park and Recreation Tax were \$83,635. The receipts for the month included sales tax, use tax, and grant receipts. The disbursements for the month included disaster expenditures and capital and grant expenditures. (see attached report)

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Lawrence was unable to attend tonight's meeting. City Clerk Bishop presented the resolutions and ordinances for the meeting. City Administrator Wyman stated the grant resolutions are for water and wastewater, drainage and ditch projects.

RESOLUTION 2024.06

A resolution for the Delta Regional Authority was created by Congress by the Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000, as amended, as federal/state partnership now comprised of 252 counties and parishes within the eight states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee in order to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development and fostering partnerships that will have a positive impact on the Delta Region's economy. (see attached resolution)

Motion: By Alderman Battles to approve Resolution 2024.06

Second: By Alderman Robinson

Motion Carried 5-0

RESOLUTION 2024.07

A resolution for the Delta Regional Authority was created by Congress by the Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000, as amended, as federal/state partnership now comprised of 252 counties and parishes within the eight states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee in order to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development and fostering partnerships that will have a positive impact on the Delta Region's economy. (see attached resolution)

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to approve Resolution 2024.07

Second: By Alderman Robinson

Motion Carried 5-0

City Clerk Bishop presented a proposed ordinance to execute agreement with S.H. Smith & Company, Inc. for the TAP 2301-(007) trail grant.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5170

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEXTER, MISSOURI AND S.H. SMITH & COMPANY, INC., TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES ON TAP-2301 (007) FOR S.H. SMITH & COMPANY, INC'S. DESIGN SERVICES,

INCLUDING WORK THROUGH THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD STAGE, FOR ACTUAL COSTS PLUS A FIXED FEE OF \$6,346.81, EXCEPT THAT THE COMBINED COSTS AND FEE WILL NOT EXCEED A MAXIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE OF \$58,816.79, AND FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES, FOR ACTUAL COSTS PLUS A FIXED FEE OF \$4,414.26, EXCEPT THAT THE COMBINED COSTS OF FEE WILL NOT EXCEED \$39,927.67; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DEXTER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT AND THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST TO SUCH EXECUTION AND AFFIX THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF DEXTER; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THIS PROJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Alderman Aslin moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5170 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Robinson, Battles, Aslin, Tennison and Matthews

Nays: None

Absent: None

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Robinson, that Ordinance Number 5170 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Battles, Aslin, Tennison, Matthews and Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None

President Helm declared Ordinance Number 5170 duly passed.

City Clerk Bishop presented an ordinance for an agreement with MoDOT purchase battery backups for the traffic lights on Business 60 and one on Highway 25. Alderman Aslin asked for a discussion on this purchase. City Administrator Wyman explained there are several towns in Missouri that have purchased the backups, MoDOT will install and maintain, in a power outage the battery will last about 5 hours, Dexter does not provide an officer at this time during power outages at the intersections. He explained the liability of not having the backups and that having them would allow more time for deployment of temporary stop signs to each intersection. Alderman Aslin was concerned about the timing of spending additional funds with the closure of Tysons and the increase of sewer rates.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to table the proposed ordinance for battery backups until the next budget cycle.

Second: By Alderman Battles

Motion Carried 4-1

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

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5171

SOUTHERN BANK ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 920,156.89
SOUTHERN BANK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	\$ 265,405.32
SOUTHERN BANK ARP ACCOUNT	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK DEP. & REPLACEMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK HEALTH ACCOUNT	\$ 60,561.38
SOUTHERN BANK PRINCIPAL & INT FUND	\$ 24,839.01
SOUTHERN BANK TOURISM TAX ACCOUNT	\$ 14,755.78
SOUTHERN BANK CDBG ACCOUNT	\$ 176,167.09
TOTAL	 \$1,461,885.47

Alderman Aslin moved, seconded by Alderman Battles, that Ordinance Number 5171 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Aslin, Tennison, Matthews, Robinson and Battles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Robinson, that Ordinance Number 5171 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Tennison, Matthews, Robinson, Battles and Aslin

Nays: None

Absent: None

President Helm declared Ordinance Number 5171 duly passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no reports.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORT

Police Chief Hank Trout reported they will participate in field sobriety training in January. On November 9th, the animal shelter hosted an open house and Nestle Purina presented the

shelter with a \$25,000.00 grant check to build additional storage and a showroom on to the shelter.

The public safety committee met prior to the meeting and recommended hiring Mr. Kyle Worley as a full-time police officer. He will be attending the police academy in 2025 and will be under contract with the City. President Helm appointed Mr. Worley as a full-time police officer.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to ratify the appointment of Mr. Worley as a full-time police officer.

Second: By Alderman Robinson

Street & Sanitation Superintendent Jeremiah Robinson reported the Christmas lights have been installed. The storm cleanup and sidewalk projects are finishing.

Park & Recreation Superintendent Jamie Rowe reported Christmas decorations for the pond have been ordered will not be installed this year as they will not be delivered until later in December. Light It up will be hosted at East City Park this year and a local business sponsored the ornaments this year. Basketball and women's volleyball is still going on.

Water & Wastewater Superintendent Jim Overall reported the contractor is working on the forced sewer main project, preparing for winter and regular maintenance.

Librarian Jordan Myers was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Building & Grounds Leighton Hensley reported they have been mulching leaves, trimming trees and continuing improvements on the Municipal Building.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Rich Cochran was unable to attend tonight's meeting. City Administrator Wyman reported on the UV project for the wastewater system, Sugar Plum Park drainage and easements for ditches.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Economic Developer Alisha Trammell reported on the following items.

- UAW strike at Forvia
- Attending Delta Leadership Institute

- Attending Chamber Institute
- Distributed upcoming events and QR code for Stoddard County AG Video
- Cal-Maine's hiring event went well, hatchery will be receiving eggs next week and the feed mill started receiving grain this week. The Director of Ag will be meeting with Cal-Maine officials Thursday.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Bishop announced filing date for the April 2025 election is December 10th.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator David Wyman reported on the following items:

- Reported on the Safe Streets for all grant.
- Held a pre-construction meeting for the trail grant TAP-2301 (005)
- Lemons landfill held their open house.
- Attended NRCS – drainage district improvements.
- A special meeting will be held Monday, December 9th at 5 p.m.
- The Board needs to review the pool budget due to the minimum wage increase.
- He reviewed HVAC systems for the depot (low bid Carlos Warren & Son) and municipal building (low bid C & C Air Conditioning). He asked the Board to consider approving these bids. Motion made by Alderman Aslin to approve the bids for the new systems listed above, seconded by Alderman Tennison. Motion Carried 5-0

MAYOR'S REPORT

There was no report.

ALDERMANIC FORUM

Ward III Alderman Glen Robinson stated the Christmas decorations look good and thanked everyone for their work on them.

There being no further business to come before the Board.

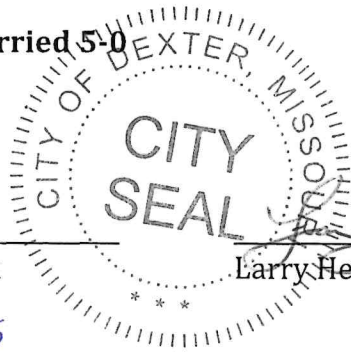
Motion: By Alderman Robinson to adjourn the meeting.

Second: By Alderman Aslin

Motion Carried 5-0

Attest:

Crystal Bishop
Crystal Bishop, City Clerk



Larry Helm
Larry Helm, President of the Board of Aldermen

Approved: 1-10-25