



BOARD OF ALDERMAN REGULAR SESSION
CITY HALL, 345 S. MAIN, BOLIVAR, MO 65613
TUESDAY, MARCH 17th, 2020 AT 6:30 P.M.

Live View and View Later of this meeting was available through City of Bolivar Facebook.

Call to Order: Mayor Warwick called the Regular Session Council Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Aldermen present: Aldermen Thane Kifer, Charles Keith, Justin Ballard, Michael Ryan, Alexis Neal.

Alderman by phone, due to COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic: Alderman Ethel Mae Tennis, Steve Sagaser and Steve Skopec.

Aldermen absent: None.

In attendance:

City Administrator Tracy Slagle, Police Lieutenant Zach Palmer, City Attorney Donald Brown, Public Works Director Jerry Hamby, Fire Chief Brent Watkins, City Clerk Paula Henderson, Finance Director Natalie Scrivner, and other visitors from the public.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Mayor Warwick.

Motion to Adopt Agenda:

Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve the agenda with adding Ordinance 2020-11 An Ordinance Amending the Bolivar Municipal Code by Adding New Section 210.100-Regarding Declaration of Public Emergency. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the February 11th, 2020 Work & Executive Session and February 25th, 2020 Minutes. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Bill No. 2020-11: An Ordinance Amending the Bolivar Municipal Code by Adding New Section 210.100 – Regarding Declaration of Public Emergency. Alderman Ballard made a motion for the first reading of Bill No. 2020-11. Alderman Ryan seconds the motion. The City Attorney read Bill No. 2020-11 in Full. Ordinance 3597.

**“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOLIVAR MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING
NEW SECTION 210.100 – REGARDING DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY.”**

Alderman Ryan made a motion to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2020-11. Alderman Sagaser seconds the motion. The City Attorney read Bill No. 2020-11 in Full. Ordinance 3597.



**“AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BOLIVAR MUNICIPAL CODE BY ADDING
NEW SECTION 210.100 – REGARDING DECLARATION OF PUBLIC EMERGENCY.”**

Roll Call:

Ayes: Tennis, Kifer, Sagaser, Skopec, Ballard, Ryan, Neal, Keith.

Nays: None.

Bills and Financial Reports:

Alderman Kifer made a motion to approve those as presented. Alderman Neal seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

Administrator Report:

City Administrator Tracy Slagle gave a brief overview of meetings regarding COVID-19, the message remains constant to try to flatten the curve of outbreak. Alderman Ballard made a motion to approve the administrator report. Alderman Ryan seconded, which was unanimously approved.

Mayoral Appointment: Introductions, Presentations, Resolutions, Proclamations:

Mayor Warwick read the Proclamation of the Existence of a Local Emergency of the City of Bolivar caused by Coronavirus Pandemic on March 17th, 2020. This proclamation requests limiting gathers of no more than 50 people in the City of Bolivar, exceptions shall be schools, daycares and business.

Request to Address Council: Roy E. Merritt. Mr. Merritt was unable to attend. Mayor Warwick was able to reach him over that phone before the meeting. Mr. Merritt had concerns with selling the City of Bolivar water and sewer system.

Request to Address Council: Liberty Utilities (Missouri Water) LLC Representative-Mike Beatty and John Donaldson. Mr. Beatty address the council and presented many answers to questions that were asked during the February 25th, 2020 Public Hearing. Presentation is available on their website: www.betterbolivarwater.org.

Recommendation to add Assistant Prosecuting Attorney/Assistant Attorney Samuel Gearheart. Alderman Neal made a motion to accept recommendation. Alderman Kifer seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Discuss: Projected Utility Costs 2021-2026.

City Administrator Tracy Slagle presented budget projections with and without the sale of the water and sewer system. The most impacts would be seen in the Capitol Improvement Fund.



New Business:

Discuss and Approve: Art Festival – Rock’n the Frisco, May 9th, 2020. Date will be postponed to sometime in the fall 2020. Alderman Neal made a motion to approve. Alderman Ryan seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Discuss and Review: Renewal Tower Lease for WON (formerly U-Link) Communications.

Alderman Kifer made a motion to table. Alderman Neal seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Discuss and Review: South Elgin Speed Limit, posted at 30 mph.

Alderman Tennis made a motion to lower the Speed Limit to 20 mph for a section of Elgin Street between Walnut and Buffalo. Alderman Neal seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

Discuss and Review: Street Lights.

Alderman Keith made a motion to replace 4 light poles on South Oakland Avenue and add light to pole East College Street, off Gary Ave and No action for area around 113 W. Jackson. Alderman Kifer seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Tennis, Kifer, Sagaser, Skopec, Ballard, Ryan, Neal, Keith.

Nays: None.

Bill No. 2020-10: An Ordinance Authorizing a Contract with the Missouri State Emergency Management Agency for the Acceptance of a Grant for New Storm Siren.

Alderman Ryan made a motion for the first reading of Bill No. 2020-10. Alderman Neal seconds the motion. The City Attorney read Bill No. 2020-10. Ordinance 3598.

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE MISSOURI STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR NEW STORM SIREN.”

Alderman Sagaser made a motion to approve the second reading of Bill No. 2020-10. Alderman Neal seconds the motion. The City Attorney read Bill No. 2020-10. Ordinance 3598.

“AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH THE MISSOURI STATE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FOR NEW STORM SIREN.”

Roll Call:

Ayes: Ballard, Sagaser, Kifer, Tennis, Keith, Ryan, Skopec, Neal.

Nays: None.



Discuss and Approve: Park Locations.

Alderman Kifer presented an option for a City Park, that could be utilized for Disc Golf. Location is East on Buffalo Rd. More to be brought before the board in upcoming meetings.

Calendar of Events: April 7th, 2020 Election Day; April 14th, 2020 Work Session; April 28th, 2020 Regular Session; Candidate Form scheduled for March 24th, 2020 has been cancelled at this time.

Executive Session: Alderman Neal made a motion at 8:12 p.m. to go into Executive Session RSMo 610.021(1) Legal Actions, Cause of Action, or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorney. RSMo 610.021(2) Leasing, Purchase or Sale of Real Estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor. RSMo 610.021(18) Operational guidelines, policies and specific response plans developed, adopted, or maintained by any public agency responsible for law enforcement, public safety, first response, or public health for use in responding to or preventing any critical incident which is or appears to be terrorist in nature and which has the potential to endanger individual or public safety or health...Alderman Ryan seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Tennis, Kifer, Sagaser, Skopec, Ballard, Ryan, Neal, Keith.

Nays: None.

Due to COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic: Alderman Tennis, Sagaser and Skopec were able to stay connected by phone during the executive session.

Alderman Kifer left directly after roll call.

Fire Chief/Emergency Management Director Brent Watkins left the meeting at 9:11 p.m.

Discussion and no motions made.

Motion to return to Open Session: Alderman Keith made a motion to return to Open Session at 9:21p.m. Alderman Ballard seconded the motion.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Neal, Ballard, Skopec, Tennis, Keith, Ryan, Sagaser.

Nays: None.

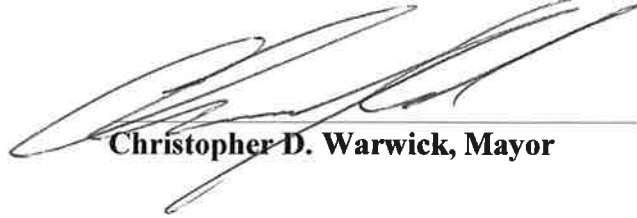
Absent: Kifer.

Motion to Adjourn:

Aldermen Ballard made a motion to adjourn Regular session at 9:21p.m. Aldermen Neal seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.



Paula Henderson, City Clerk



Christopher D. Warwick, Mayor