

ITEM I: Call to Order

- The Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley, Missouri, met in Regular Session on October 9, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at Grain Valley City Hall
- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mike Todd

ITEM II: Roll Call

- Clerk Jamie Logan called roll
- *Present: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
- *Absent:*

-QUORUM PRESENT-

ITEM III: Invocation

- There was no invocation

ITEM IV: Pledge of Allegiance

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Darren Mills

ITEM V: Approval of Agenda

- No Changes

ITEM VI: Proclamations

- None

ITEM VII: Public Comment

- Jan Brill; 1035 Ephraim – She suggested/reminded the board of her idea to offer rabies shot clinic in conjunction with the animal license renewals. She stated when she takes her animals to the animal clinic, she has been upsold. She would like to suggest the city to sponsor a clinic that the citizens would pay for their own vet care/shots, but that would be available
- Mayor Todd stated they have looked into it, but no promises, but looking to partner with someone for a drive-thru clinic that could partner with the animal license

ITEM VIII: Consent Agenda

- September 25, 2023 – Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
- October 9, 2023 – Accounts Payable
- *Alderman Skinner made a Motion to Accept the Consent Agenda*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox*

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Mike Todd
Alderman Dale Arnold
Alderman Brian Bray
Alderman Tom Cleaver
Alderman Rick Knox
Alderman Darren Mills
Alderman Ryan Skinner

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- *No discussion*
- *Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda was voted on with the following voice vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Motion Approved: 6-0-

ITEM IX: Previous Business

- None

ITEM X: New Business

- None

ITEM XI: Presentations

- Community Survey Presentation by ETC Institute – Ryan Ray; Their firm is dedicated to municipal clients
- The goal was to perform an objective assessment on core city services and measure prior year trends
- This is the 2nd survey for the city 2018 & 2023 and was primarily completed online & via mail through a random sampling.
- Over 80% of people are satisfied or very satisfied with Grain Valley as a place to live or raise children
- Highlighted areas that the sampling found important to improve as well as places that could be improved based on the trends of perception from 2018 to 2023
- Overall felt the city was business-friendly
- Respondents responded that 83% felt they would still be living here in the next 5 years
- Reviewed the benchmarks of Grain Valley’s results related to the US average and the KC Metro
- Priorities for Improvement:
 - Maintenance of City Streets
 - Support of Police Services (includes police visibility in neighborhoods, efforts to prevent crime, visibility of police in retail and commercial areas)
 - Support of Codes Enforcement
 - Parks & Recreation Programs/facilities
 - City Communication with the public
- Sharp increase in codes enforcement satisfaction – respondents would like this to continue to improve efforts
 - Availability of trails, pools & programs, and parks

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- Relating to communication – perception related items are related to communication
 - Respondents preferred to get their information from social media channels, friends/family, city website, Valley News, email newsletter
- Alderman Cleaver asked about how many surveys were sent; around 2,000 and 20% response rate which is a good response rate

ITEM XII: Public Hearing

- None

ITEM XIII: Resolutions

Resolution No. R23-68 A Resolution by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley Authorizing the City Administrator to Spend Funds to Renew the Annual Software and Hardware Maintenance and Support Agreement With Neptune Technology

- *Alderman Bray moved to approve Resolution No. R23-68*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox*
 - *Extending the agreement with Neptune – works with water meters and systems. The city has been happy with the service*
 - *Alderman Knox asked about the electronic water meters; Mr. Trosen stated 96% on the electronic water meters. Mr. Murphy stated it allows the public to identify when there are higher readings and the information to back it up*
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. R23-68 was voted upon with the following voice vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Resolution No. R23-68 Approved: 6-0-

Resolution No. R23-69 A Resolution by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley, Missouri to Enter Into a Contract With Tandem Paving Co, Inc to Crack Fill and Seal Coat Butterfly Trail

- *Alderman Cleaver moved to approve Resolution No. R23-69*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Bray*
 - *Originally budgeted to do the crack sealing of the trail- originally put in in 2012- using savings from Ryan Road Trail project to seal the trail as well at the same*

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- time – should lengthen the life of this trail*
- *Alderman Bray if this would seal the trail as well; Mr. Davies stated this will seal the trail and parking lot.*
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. R23-69 was voted upon with the following voice vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Resolution No. R23-69 Approved: 6-0-

ITEM XIV: Ordinances

- None

ITEM XV: City Attorney Report

- None

ITEM XVI: City Administrator & Staff Reports

- City Administrator Ken Murphy
 - Budget books are at the dais – send any questions ahead of time so answers can be prepared for you by next Monday’s workshop
- Deputy City Administrator Theresa Osenbaugh
 - None
- Police Chief Ed Turner
 - None
- Finance Director Steven Craig
 - None
- Parks & Recreation Director Shannon Davies
 - None
- Community Development Director Mark Trosen
 - None
- City Clerk Jamie Logan
 - None

ITEM XVII: Board of Aldermen Reports & Comments

- Alderman Dale Arnold
 - GV Band continues to achieve high honors and scored grand champion at recent Blue Springs competition on the 30th

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- Downtown Spooktacular is coming up and was curious if any donations – Mayor Todd stated no donations yet. Alderman Arnold stated he would like to donate \$500 towards the cause and challenged the other aldermen to do the same
- He stated if there are events coming up, he asked if possible to inform the board as early as possible so they have time to plan for items in advance if possible
- Alderman Brian Bray
 - None
- Alderman Tom Cleaver
 - None
- Alderman Rick Knox
 - None
- Alderman Darren Mills
 - None
- Alderman Ryan Skinner
 - None

ITEM XVIII: Mayor Report

- None

ITEM XIX: Executive Session

- *Mr. Murphy stated an executive session was needed for Leasing, Purchase or Sale of Real Estate Pursuant to Section 610.021(2), RSMo. 1998, as Amended*
- *Alderman Skinner moved to close the Regular Meeting for items related to for Leasing, Purchase or Sale of Real Estate Pursuant to Section 610.021(2), RSMo. 1998, as Amended*
- *The motion was seconded by Alderman Knox*
 - No Discussion
- *The motion was voted on with the following roll call vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay: None*
 - *Abstain: None*

-Motion Carried:6-0-

- The regular meeting closed at 7:37 PM-

- *Alderman Arnold moved to open the Regular Meeting*
- *The motion was seconded by Alderman Skinner*
 - No Discussion

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- *The motion was voted on with the following roll call vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Bray, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay: None*
 - *Abstain: None*

- Motion Carried: 6-0-

- The regular meeting opened at 7:52 PM-

ITEM XX: Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 P.M.

Minutes submitted by:

Jamie Logan
City Clerk

Date

Minutes approved by:

Mike Todd
Mayor

Date

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