

**ITEM I: Call to Order**

- The Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley, Missouri, met in Regular Session on March 27, 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**

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

**-QUORUM PRESENT-**

**ITEM III: Invocation**

- Invocation was given by Pastor Wayne Geiger of First Baptist Church

**ITEM IV: Pledge of Allegiance**

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Rick Knox

**ITEM V: Approval of Agenda**

- No changes

**ITEM VI: Proclamations**

- None

**ITEM VII: Public Comment**

- Jan Brill; 1035 Ephraim – commented an item on the upcoming election related to the 3% recreational marijuana sales tax in Grain Valley and she would like for those funds to be earmarked for police officers and SROs for prevention of vaping in schools as well as prevention of sales to minors and enforcement in the schools

**ITEM VIII: Consent Agenda**

- March 13, 2023 – Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
- March 27, 2023 – Accounts Payable
- *Alderman Skinner made a Motion to Accept the Consent Agenda*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Mills*
  - *No discussion*
- *Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda was voted on with the following voice vote:*
  - *Aye: Arnold, Bass, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
  - *Nay:*
  - *Abstain:*

*-Motion Approved: 6-0-*

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Alderman Shea Bass  
Alderman Tom Cleaver  
Alderman Rick Knox  
Alderman Darren Mills  
Alderman Ryan Skinner

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**ITEM IX: Previous Business**

- None

**ITEM X: New Business**

- None

**ITEM XI: Presentations**

- None

**ITEM XII: Public Hearing**

- None

**ITEM XIII: Resolutions**

**Resolution No. R23-29** A Resolution by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley to Censure Alderman Dale Arnold

- *Alderman Cleaver moved to approve Resolution No. R23-29*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox*
  - Alderman Arnold stated at the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting (Board of Aldermen meeting) he was asked several questions relating to a phone call he made and a facebook post by Chuck Johnston; after seeing on casenet February 14<sup>th</sup>, the court denying the City's petition relating to changing Ward boundaries, he called both City Administrators to discuss the ruling, an email was sent from the City attorney's office on February 15<sup>th</sup> to the City Administrators and was forwarded to the Board on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Arnold thought the court findings were the end of it and called JCEB to get his questions answered on February 16<sup>th</sup>. Once questioned (by the board of why he called JCEB), he spoke to his attorney Mr. Bowers— he stated Mr. Bowers said that nothing Mr. Arnold had done was improper and did not violate the City's Elected Official's Guidelines - he feels the phone call would not interfere with what the City could have done if they chose to appeal the ruling- he stated he asked questions of the election official.
  - He said he was asked why he didn't contact staff - He clarified he did contact staff and his questions were unanswered so he sought answers elsewhere
  - During the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting, he was questioned about a social media post and that some felt he disclosed executive session information – he states he did not have any knowledge of the post. He stated knowing the history of Mr. Johnston and the board, he didn't feel he could sway the board's opinion that evening so he did not elaborate that evening and stated he had no recollection of ever sharing any of that information & stated Mr. Johnston's comments must have

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been speculative. He has since found and read that post from March 9<sup>th</sup> and stated the Facebook post did not provide an exact vote and Mr. Johnston's reply included that he believed Dale was the only one that didn't vote for it as a majority vote would be a passing vote- and that exact details of a vote were not provided

- He feels this action if taken this evening were not based on fact, reading into comments and on assumptions and reading into comments – as well as feelings
- Mayor Todd wanted to clarify on a few things he had asked about. The resolution stated either the 15<sup>th</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> of when the call to the JCEB happened- Alderman Arnold just confirmed in his comments it occurred on the 16<sup>th</sup>
- Mayor stated that is conflicting with information he received. He had staff check their call logs and voicemail logs. On March 15<sup>th</sup>, there was a voicemail left for Ms. Osenbaugh by Mr. Arnold and that he saw on casenet that morning the case had been settled and asked for the City's next possible steps; Mr. Murphy called Mr. Arnold at 11:15 and by this point Mr. Arnold indicated he already talked to the Election Board so Mayor would assume the election board call would be on the 15<sup>th</sup>. At noon that day, Mr. Murphy and Mayor Todd spoke regarding the situation and forwarded to Mr. Lauber
- Mayor Todd shared an alderman asked about impeachment costs - possible costs for an impeachment hearing which could range from \$50,000-\$75,000
- Aldermen Skinner asked when the judge's ruling came out; Mr. Lauber shared the Judge's ruling came out on 2/14 at 4:01PM per the time stamp on the ruling
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. R23-29 was voted upon with the following voice vote:*
  - *Aye: Bass, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
  - *Nay: Arnold*
  - *Abstain:*

**-Resolution No. R23-29 Approved: 5-1-**

**ITEM XV: Ordinances**

**Bill No. B23-09:** An Ordinance to Amend the Future Land Use Map in the 2014 Comprehensive Plan

**Bill No. B23-09** was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the second reading by title only

- *Alderman Bass moved to accept the second reading of Bill No. B23-09 and approve it as ordinance #2415*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Skinner*
  - None
- *Motion to accept the second reading of Bill No. B23-09 and approve it as ordinance #2415*

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was voted upon with the following roll call vote:

- Aye: Bass, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner, Arnold
- Nay:
- Abstain:

**-Bill No. B23-09 Became Ordinance #2415 6-0-**

**Bill No. B23-10:** An Ordinance Changing the Zoning on Approximately 4.83 Acres From District R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to R-1P (Single Family Residential District - Planned Overlay District) and change the Zoning on Approximately 11.44 Acres From District R-1 (Single Family Residential District) to District M-1P (Light Industrial - Planned Overlay District) and Approval of Preliminary Development Plan for Creekside Village 4th Plat

**Bill No. B23-10** was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the second reading by title only

- Alderman Cleaver moved to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-10** and approve it as ordinance #2416
- The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox
  - None
- Motion to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-10** and approve it as ordinance #2416 was voted upon with the following roll call vote:
  - Aye: Bass, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner, Arnold
  - Nay:
  - Abstain:

**-Bill No. B23-10 Became Ordinance #2416 6-0-**

**ITEM XV: City Attorney Report**

- Provided handout for city officials training on April 21<sup>st</sup> and invited staff and department heads as well with breakfast and lunch provided
- Personnel changes in the last few weeks – they lost 2 and gained 3 (Rich Wood leaving and Sarah Oldridge) – Holly Dodge joined them two weeks ago and 2 more associates for a total of 13 attorneys

**ITEM XVI: City Administrator & Staff Reports**

- Police Chief Ed Turner
  - None
- Finance Director Steven Craig
  - None
- Parks & Recreation Director Shannon Davies
  - Parks and Rec is hitting their busy season and one of the more popular spring

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youth programs include the baseball, softball and T-ball programs – they are still accepting some registrations, but currently around 500 registrations which is around 50 higher than usual registrations

- Community Development Director Mark Trosen
  - Annual stormwater report is included in the packet; this is in compliance with the City’s MO DOR MS4 State operating permit for stormwater management
- City Clerk Jamie Logan
  - None
- Mayor Todd shared he received Theresa Osenbaugh’s comments on her behalf; Dog influencers and hype dogs in the downtown businesses upon her return

**ITEM XVIII: Board of Aldermen Reports & Comments**

- Alderman Dale Arnold
  - None
- Alderman Shea Bass
  - Thanked Mr. Trosen for his quick assistance on an item
- Alderman Tom Cleaver
  - None
- Alderman Rick Knox
  - Congratulations on the Police Station groundbreaking – he’d like for lights to be around Butterfly Trail and look into this
- Alderman Darren Mills
  - none
- Alderman Ryan Skinner
  - There is an issue in Rosewood at the intersection of Rosewood and Hedgewood there will be another traffic study in the coming months speaking with Mr. Tuttle. He stated he’s been receiving some concerns related to this intersection – stated similar issue at Woodbury & Pecan in 2020 and in September 2020 that traffic study stopped with 300 ft line of sight with 45mph on top speed. He would like this area reviewed again. Stated when it was looked at in the past it didn’t meet requirements of a 4-way stop. At that time 36mph was the top speed with 280 feet on Hedgewood.
  - Nashville School Shootings – 6 individuals killed – he feels we are lacking on SROs in this city and feels people move here for their schools. 8 schools (including the early childhood center) with 3 SROs; Chief Turner stated he had a discussion about this today and feels in this day and age it is necessary and there are some budget constraints; Mr. Skinner would like for one officer or security in some way- the school where today’s shooting took place the shooter chose the school over another because less security at this school. He has not seen someone from a school district talking after a shooting and it is the police chief and board handling the fallout

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**ITEM XVIII: Mayor Report**

- None

**ITEM XIX: Executive Session**

- None

**ITEM XX: Adjournment**

- The meeting adjourned at 7:26 P.M.

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Minutes submitted by:

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Jamie Logan  
City Clerk

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Date

Minutes approved by:

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Mike Todd  
Mayor

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Date

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