

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF LAKE TAPAWINGO
December 7, 2006**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Lake Tapawingo, Missouri met for the Regular Meeting on Thursday, December 7, 2006. The following were present:

Alderman Randy Altiser
Alderman Janet Baldwin
Alderman Dwight Hight - excused

Alderman Dick Moore
Alderman Deborah Snelling
Alderman Lori Stone

Mayor Reed Alberg
Twyla Saigh, City Clerk
Carl Scarborough, City Administrator

Mayor Reed Alberg presided. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM. The Mayor requested a moment of silence in remembrance of the attack on Pearl Harbor.

GUESTS:

Mike Krasovec, 37A; Tom Goddard, 5B; Buddy Young, 63B; Pat Towles, 15C expressed concerns regarding the proposed annexation:

- The City Council should provide information packets to the residents no later than five days prior to public hearings regarding annexations
- Would Lake privileges be provided to newly annexed homes
- Blue Springs School District (Bus Barn) doesn't care whether or not it was annexed
- Would sewer and water service, including maintenance, be provided to the Bus Barn
- The Bus Barn provides no income through taxes but will cost the city through police services
- Elected officials need to talk with their constituents and represent them properly
- The status of roads through the annexed area
- Discrimination law suits regarding the differences in privileges provided to those newly annexed areas and those who belong to the home owners' association.
- Would those residents in the annexed areas be able to hold elected positions

Mayor Alberg entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda that included the November business meeting minutes, financial statement and setting the dates for two public hearings regarding voluntary annexation of the Bus Barn area and Lakeside Properties. A short discussion regarding the dates followed: Adopt Resolution No 2006004 setting public hearing, voluntary annexation, Blue Springs School District (Bus Barn) and Resolution No. 2006005 setting public hearing, voluntary annexation, Lakeside Properties - Mayor Alberg entertained a motion to set the public hearing for the Bus Barn on December 21, 2006 and the public hearing for Lakeside Properties on January 4, 2007. Discussion followed regarding the choice of dates close to Christmas. City Administrator Carl Scarborough explained the public hearings could take place no sooner than 14 days and no later than 60 days after the request for voluntary annexation was received. For the Bus Barn the 60-day period is up the last week of December. The public hearing on December 21 would cover only the Bus Barn annexation. The public hearing on January 4, 2007 would cover only Lakeside Properties.

Alderman Altiser moved to accept the consent agenda and Alderman Baldwin seconded the motion. It was put to vote and passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS –

Update on working committees:

Personnel Manual/Benefits: Another Benefits Committee meeting will be held to discuss which insurance benefits are of greatest importance to employees. The decision was also made that City Administrator Carl Scarborough would put together a bid packet for insurance companies. When the bids are received the Benefits committee will make a recommendation and the City Council will vote on the insurance packet/provider.

Engineering RFQ: Alderman Hight was not present to discuss his recommendation of appointees. Discussion will continue at future Council meeting.

Police Vehicle: The purchase of a new police vehicle was discussed at length. Police vehicles are produced only twice a year. Orders must be placed by December 15, 2006. Delivery and payment would be made 90-120 days after placing the order. The current vehicles are undergoing frequent and costly repairs that take the vehicle out of service. A replacement schedule would be implemented to keep the highest quality of vehicles patrolling the City. According to Treasurer Altiser financially the City can afford a new police vehicle. This discussion covered the purchase of the vehicle only. Purchase of some specialty equipment would require a bidding process and the approval of the City Council. Alderman Altiser made the motion to order a police vehicle by December 15, 2006. Alderman Snelling seconded the motion. It was put to a vote and passed unanimously.

Refuse contract – discussion: There was extensive discussion regarding the yard waste service pickup. There is concern about yard waste pickup not being included in the approved contract with EnviroStar Waste Service (EWS) and residents not properly disposing of their yard waste. The cost of a yard waste contract requires a bid process. Ordinance states the city will have only one solid waste provider. We have to be careful don't expose ourselves to liability issues. We don't want to put the City at risk of law suit. Since some residents have enrolled with EWS for their service, if the service changed how would we reimburse them? The City ordinance states the City will provide for waste pick-up, the contract is for three (3) years, a permit will be issued for one year and is renewable for two additional years. The ordinance cannot be changed just to by-pass the ordinance. Research by the previous contractor showed there was never had more than 60% of lake residents using the yard waste service. It was seen as unfair to have 60% of the residents using the service but 100% of the residents paying for the service. Some residents share the cost of yard waste pickup. It was decided that the police department would review and enforce ordinances that cover condition of yard and yard waste. Note: It was also stated that the Sportsmen's Club would not pickup Christmas trees this year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Legal services RFP: City Administrator Carl Scarborough stated no inquires regarding the legal request for proposal had been received. Alderman Altiser made the motion that since the City had done its due diligence, Mr. Scarborough could negotiate with lawyers one on one for the City. Alderman Snelling seconded the motion. It was put to a vote and passed unanimously.

Bill 1022 – April 2007 General Election: At the first reading, Alderman Altiser made the motion that the general election be set for April 3, 2007. Alderman Stone seconded the motion. It was put to a vote and passed unanimously. Bill 1022 was read for a second time and put to a roll call vote. It passed unanimously.

Letters to Residents: Alderman Altiser submitted a motion that City Administrator Scarborough compose and send letters to each lake residence with public hearing issues about five days prior to the public hearing. Alderman Moore seconded the motion. It was put to a vote and passed unanimously.

Sewer Pumps: Alderman Moore brought up the condition of sewer pumps around the lake and an extensive discussion followed about the care and use of sewer pumps, new and old. There is concern about sewer pump control boxes, moving them and who is responsible for them and the wiring for the pumps. Alderman Moore requested a future discussion on the Delta pump that would include their representative. City Administrator Scarborough recommended the engineering firm be in on that discussion as that is an engineering issue and their field of expertise.

ADJOURNMENT: Alderman Altiser moved to adjourn the regular meeting and go into Executive Session. Alderman Stone seconded the motion. Adjournment of the regular meeting was unanimously approved at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Twyla D. Saigh
City Clerk

REMINDERS:

PUBLIC HEARING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2006 AT THE CLUBHOUSE, STARTING AT 6:00 PM

REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2007, AT THE CLUBHOUSE, STARTING AT 6:00 PM