



September 16, 2024

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers

525 E. Spring Street

Boonville MO 65233

I. Call to order – Pledge and Prayer

A. Drew Davis

Call to order – The Boonville City Council met in Regular Session on September 16, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at 525 East Spring Street, Boonville, Missouri. The following officers were present; Kate Fjell, City Administrator; Teresa Studley, Assistant to City Administrator; Randy Ayers, Sergeant at arms; Mayor Pro-Tem Andrew Cowherd; and City Counselor, Brad Wooldridge. Mayor Ned Beach and City Clerk, Amber Davis were absent. The meeting was called to order. Drew Davis led the prayer, after the pledge of allegiance.

II. Roll Call

The following council representatives were present: Barry Elbert, Drew Davis, Brad Atkinson, Steve Young, Andrew Cowherd, and Sy Harvell. Council representatives Whitney Venable and Heather Overstreet were absent.

III. Hearing of Citizens' Comments

- Senior Citizen Property Tax Freeze Discussion - Presiding Commissioner George Monk and Eastern District Commissioner Charlie Melkersman

Presiding Commissioner George Monk and Commissioner Charlie Melkersman came before the council to discuss the recently passed property tax credit for Missouri seniors. Cooper County senior residents must submit the property tax credit form to the County Clerk in 2025. Cooper County residents who are 62 and older may be eligible for this tax credit. This tax credit will freeze property tax valuations at 2025 levels. If improvements are made to the property, improvements will be added to the valuation and at that point, the valuation will change. Commissioner George Monk stated he did not know what the financial impact would be. The Commissioners stated information will be available on the City of Boonville website and this presentation is on the Cities' YouTube channel and information is available at the courthouse.

IV. Approval of Minutes

A. September 3 council minutes

The minutes stand as submitted

V. Consent Items

None

VI. Presentation of Accounts and Claims

A. Appropriations

Ms. Studley read the ordinance appropriating money, in its entirety, and a second time, by title only, since a copy of the ordinance had been made available prior to the meeting, Mr. Davis moved and Mr. Atkinson seconded the motion to approve the ordinance appropriating money. Roll call was taken Ayes: Elbert, Davis, Atkinson, Young, Cowherd, and Harvell. Total (6). Opposed : None. Absent Venable and Yoder. Motion Carried.

VII. Unfinished Business

A. Second Reading of Bill No. 2024-014 Electing Changes Under the Missouri Local Government Employees Retirement System (LAGERS)

Mr. Elbert moved and Mr. Atkinson seconded the motion to approve the bill. Roll call was taken Ayes: Elbert, Davis, Atkinson, Young, Cowherd, and Harvell. Total (6). Opposed : None. Absent Venable and Yoder. Motion Carried.

VIII. New Business

A. First Reading of Bill No. 2024-016 Approving a site plan for 512 Investments, LLC. located at 1290 Locust Street

Ms. Studley read, by title only, a copy of the bill

B. Homecoming Street Closure Request

Mr. Davis moved and Mr. Atkinson seconded the motion to approve the Homecoming Roll call was taken Ayes: Elbert, Davis, Atkinson, Young, Cowherd, and Harvell. Total (6). Opposed : None. Absent Venable and Yoder. Motion Carried.

C. First Reading of Bill No. 2023-15 Approving Boone Point Plat 3

Ms. Studley read, by title only, a copy of the bill

D. First Reading of Bill No. 2024-16 Approving a site plan for 512 Investments, LLC located at 1290 Locust Street

Ms. Studley read, by title only, a copy of the bill

IX. Reports of Standing Committees

A. Planning and Zoning Commision (Sy Harvill)

Minutes are in the packet

X. Reports of City Officials

A. City Administrator

Ms. Fjell thanked the council for increasing the lagers to 2%.

Ms. Fjell gave an update about the City water billing software change.

Ms. Fjell stated that Chlorine will be added to the city water from October 1 through October 31, done yearly.

B. Mayor Pro tem

None

C. City Clerk

Ms. Studley reminded the council of the next meeting, which is going to be on October 7th.

D. City Counselor

None

XI. Miscellaneous

Mr. Elbert asked why more chlorine was added to our water.

Kevin, with Alliance Water, came before the council to answer Mr. Elbert's question. Kevin stated that more chlorine was added to the water in October because the distribution system is being flushed, which stirs up the water in the piping and causes more bacteria.

Mr. Harvell stated he had concerns about the tax freeze that Mr. Monk and Mr. Melkersman came and talked about the impact that the tax freeze may have on people and other entities.

XII. Adjourn

With no further discussion, Mr. Young moved, and Mr. Davis seconded the motion to adjourn at 7:44 p.m. The voice vote was unanimous.