

**THE CITY OF ST. MARY, MISSOURI**  
**Board of Aldermen Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**6:00 PM**

**1. Be it Remembered:** A regular meeting of the St. Mary Board of Aldermen was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Gloria Bader on Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020 beginning at 6:00 PM at City Hall located at 782 3rd Street, St. Mary, Missouri 63673.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**3. Roll Call:** Aldermen answering the roll call were Alderman Jennifer Schwartz and Alderman Clyde Cassoutt. Alderman Brian Helms and Alderman Carl Otte were absent. There was technically no quorum but the city invoked the “rules of necessity”. City Manager David Woods explained our previous city attorney said the city can do what is necessary to function as long as it does it in a very transparent way and explains it in the minutes. The two aldermen who were absent did not run for office and if they didn’t show up for this meeting, they probably won’t show up to any more meetings, thus we would never have a quorum again. The Honorable Mayor Gloria Bader instructed Election Official David Woods to swear in the two newly elected aldermen. Woods gave the oath of office to Alderman Annette Hacker and Zen Duda. Roll call was redone with Alderman Jennifer Schwartz, Alderman Clyde Cassoutt, Alderman Annette Hacker and Zen Duda all present.

**4. Agenda:** A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Cassoutt to approve the agenda. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz, Alderman Annette Hacker, Alderman Zen Duda and Alderman Clyde Cassoutt voted yea on a voice vote. Motion carried.

**5. Consent Agenda:** A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Cassoutt to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the following: Minutes from Previous Meeting, Treasurers Report, Collectors Report and Bills Paid and City Manager to pay previously appropriated expenses as they come due as allowed by the budget. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz, Alderman Annette Hacker, Alderman Zen Duda and Alderman Clyde Cassoutt voted yea on a voice vote. Motion carried.

**6. Public Forum:** - Melvin Frelix was on the agenda but called and said he would be late and was placed on the citizens participation section of the agenda.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS (none)**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**7. Canvassing of Election Results and Acceptance by the Board:** The board reviewed the certified results for the Municipal Election of June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020. A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Cassoutt to approve the Election Results. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz, Alderman Annette Hacker, Alderman Zen Duda and Alderman Clyde Cassoutt voted yea on a voice vote. Motion carried.

**8. Swearing in of Newly Elected Officials:** This item was moved up to the roll call section of the agenda.

**9. Board to Select an Acting President – Mayor Pro Tem for the Term of One Year (§ 79.090.1 RSMo.)**  
This item was tabled by the Honorable Mayor Gloria Bader with the consensus of the board.

**10. Mayoral Tie-Vote – Run-Off Election or Drawing by Lot (§115.517 RSMo.) (Decided by Candidates)**  
Gloria Bader and Carl Wyatt both declined to have a drawing by lot and opted for a special election. The board came to a consensus to let the candidates decide on the specific procedures of having the election.

Gloria Bader and Carl Wyatt both agreed to allow the County Clerk to print ballots in house and use a ballot box that will be taken back to the courthouse for a hand count. This will save money over the other option of having the county pay Adkins Printing to print scannable ballots and programming the scanning machines.

Gloria Bader and Carl Wyatt both agreed to use paper registration instead of iPads to save money.

Gloria Bader and Carl Wyatt both agreed to have the election on June 30<sup>th</sup> on the contingency that absentee ballots can be processed in a timely manner. Woods will check on the timing of absentee ballots and the election date.

**UPDATE:** Election Official David Woods spoke with County Clerk Sue Wolk and there would be two weeks available for absentee voting. There will be an ad in the paper for two weeks from both the county and the city announcing the election. The County Clerks office will be proactive and deliver absentee ballot applications to the quarantined residents of Marion Cliff. Both Candidates (Gloria Bader and Carl Wyatt) agreed on the June 30<sup>th</sup> election date.

## **11. BILL NO. 963 - AN ORDINANCE REGULATING GOLF CARTS AND UTILITY VEHICLES**

Alderman Clyde Cassoutt made a motion for a first reading of bill 963. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Alderman Jennifer Schwartz (aye), Alderman Clyde Cassoutt (aye), Alderman Annette Hacker (aye) and Alderman Zenon Duda (aye). City Manager David Woods read bill 963 for a first reading.

Alderman Jennifer Schwartz made a motion for a second reading of bill 963. Alderman Clyde Cassoutt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Alderman Jennifer Schwartz (aye), Alderman Clyde Cassoutt (aye), Alderman Annette Hacker (aye) and Alderman Zenon Duda (aye). City Manager David Woods read bill 963 for a second reading.

Alderman Jennifer Schwartz made a motion to approve bill 963. Alderman Clyde Cassoutt seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Alderman Jennifer Schwartz (aye), Alderman Clyde Cassoutt (aye), Alderman Annette Hacker (aye) and Alderman Zenon Duda (aye). Bill 963 passed.

## **12. Hypodermic Needles in Sewage Grinder Pit**

City Emergency Manager David Woods spoke about a resident who called city hall to complain about his toilet not flushing correctly. He sent city employee Mike Rosenzweig out to diagnose the problem. He reported that there were hundreds of hypodermic needles in the sewage grinder pit. Woods called Dispatch who sent out a deputy to investigate.

Woods called DNR (Department of Natural Resources) and spoke with the person at the state office over Environmental Spills who transferred him to waste management and our regional representative. They advised to get a laundry detergent container that is made of thick plastic and has a screw on lid. Collect the syringes and try not to get stuck. Put them in the detergent container and throw them in the trash.

The Ste Genevieve County Health Department was appalled by this advice and provided SHARPS container boxes to help residents dispose of medical wastes. They wanted it mentioned that they are funded by the Ste Genevieve County Community Foundation grant (AKA the Holcium grant).

Woods found a company that can remove the syringes with the wastewater for \$3,000. The board then reviewed Sewage Regulations Ordinance 419 that states if a resident disposes items that are a public nuisance they can refuse the sewage.

A motion was made by Alderman Clyde Cassoutt to shut off their water supply. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz, Alderman Zenon Duda, Alderman Clyde Cassoutt and Alderman Annette Hacker voted yea on a voice vote. Motion carried.

### **13. Departmental Reports:**

a. Emergency Management Report - EMD (Emergency Management Director) David Woods reported that the city has received \$2,481.32 from FEMA for Category C Street Repair for the damage caused on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street by DR 4451. He will get estimates for the repair and an overlay.

b. Fire Department Report – Fire Chief Frankie Ullman reported there were two calls. One vehicle accident and one fire. The fire trucks are running fine. He is waiting to see if he was awarded a grant from the Ste Genevieve County Community Foundation.

g. Citizens Participation - The Honorable Mayor asked if anyone would like to speak.

Melvin Frelix was recognized. He asked four questions.

- 1) Who did the street work on 4<sup>th</sup> Street?
- 2) What are you going to do about Maria Scherer’s storm water issues?
- 3) What are you going to do about residency issues?
- 4) How much money is in the street fund?

Clem Donze was recognized and asked about the culvert on 8<sup>th</sup> Street at the intersection of Hwy 61. The Honorable Mayor Gloria Bader discussed conversations she has had with MODOT (Missouri Department of Transportation).

Another person was recognized who asked when the UTV ordinance was in effect. The Honorable Mayor Gloria Bader said immediately. City Manager David Woods said he would have the registration stickers as soon as they could be printed and delivered.

**12. Regular Session Adjournment:** There being no further business before the board, a motion was made by Alderman Clyde Cassoutt to adjourn at 6:36 PM. Alderman Jennifer Schwartz seconded the motion. All the aldermen voted yea on a voice vote. Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR - GLORIA BADER

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CITY MANAGER - DAVID B. WOODS