CITY OF AVA, MISSOURI

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

City Hall 404 S Jefferson St

Ava, MO 65608

**MINUTES**

January 10, 2023

**Draft: Minutes will not be official until approved at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Aldermen meeting.**

**PRESENT:** Present members were: Mayor Burrely Loftin, Alderman Stan Lovan, Alderman Billy Stewart, Alderman Noel Dye, Alderman Keith Jones, Admin. Dir. Peggy Porter, City Clerk Suzanne Welsh, City Attorney Larry Tyrrell, and Police Chief David Overcast.

**GUESTS:** An attendance register was provided for guests to sign.

1. **Call to order:** The meeting of January 10, 2023 was called to order by Mayor Burrely Loftin.
2. **Roll Call of Aldermen:** Billy Stewart, Keith Jones, Stan Lovan and Noel Dye.
3. **Approve or Amend the Agenda**: Motion to amend the agenda was made by Billy Stewart and seconded by Noel Dye. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from December 13, 2022 stand approved as presented.
5. **Public address to the board:** Mike & Heather Gardner, Ozarks WIFI,are looking at bringing internet service into the Ava Area. They would like to utilize the City Water tower to attach their equipment and would like to enter into a lease agreement. They understand that their equipment could not interfere with other existing tower equipment and will only have a small antenna and cable that will need to be attached to the tower.
6. **Order of Business:**

A. Unfinished Business: Nothing

B**. Reports of special boards, committees and city officers**:

**Administrative Director/Treasurer Peggy Porter**: Cash balance for the end of December was $4.6M. A bond payment of $195,000.00 was made which brings down the city’s total debt to $888,200.00. The city started out with over $3 M in debt. By the end of this year the debt will be down to $500,000.00 with two notes dissolved. There are some ARPA funds remaining that can be used to hook the Generator to Well #5 on Valley Ave. at the Water/Sewer shed.

C. **Reading of Bills (proposed Ordinances and Resolutions): City Clerk**

**Ordinance #1112-** AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF AVA, MISSOURI AND THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION FOR CONSTRUCTING A ROUNDABOUT.

**First reading**: A motion was made by Keith Jones seconded by Stan Lovan. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

**Second reading**: A motion was made by Noel Dye seconded by Billy Stewart. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

**Ordinance #1113**- AN ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN BARTLETT & WEST AND THE CITY OF AVA FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICE CONTRACT AGREEMENT FOR A MODOT TAP-9901(841) SIDEWALK PROJECT.

**First reading**: A motion was made by Stan Lovan seconded by Keith Jones. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

**Second reading**: A motion was made by Billy Stewart seconded by Noel Dye. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

D. **Mayor/Aldermen’s comments and other such matters as may come before the board:**

1. **Water department shed**- See #4 for bids. They are trying to get it finished before bad weather.

2. **Hand cut Right-of-Way on W 14 HWY at the Saddle Club**- City employees cleared the right-of-way by hand as to avoid using equipment that might tear up water lines below the ground surface. They did a good job clearing.

3. **Lift station pump installed at Ava View Heights-** The lift station has had issues with their pump for quite a while and a new pump has been installed.

4. **Bids for materials for the 30x40 building at the water dept-** An itemized material list for framing was submitted to both Forge Build and J Brothers. Forge Build bid at $5,351.92 and J Brothers bid at $5,478.72. A motion was made to accept the lowest bid from Forge Build at $5,351.92 by Noel Dye seconded by Billy Stewart. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

Bids were submitted for 3 overhead doors by Felker & Sons Overhead doors out of Norwood at $5,185.00 and Overholt Doors out of Seymour at $5,291.00. A motion was made to accept the lowest bid by Felker at $5,185.00 by Stan Lovan seconded by Keith Jones. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

5. **Elm & Valley Poles Cleaned up-** Show-me, Mediacom, and Century Link all had to remove their equipment off of the old power poles and install onto the new poles before the city could remove the old power poles. They are now out of the ground and the new poles are in a straight line.

6. **Road bore at roundabout-** The city has scheduled to have a 60ft bore with a cost of $210/ft of 12-inch steel casing for the 6-inch water line to go through that will go under Springfield Road. MoDOT will reimburse 75% of the cost. For total cost to relocate the water lines it was estimated at $35,935.00 with a MoDOT reimbursement of $26,951.00.

7. **Radios for Fire and Police Dept-** The radios are scheduled to arrive within a week or two for the fire and police dept.

8. **Materials for waterline relocation-** The materials for the waterline relocation for the roundabout construction are all domestic materials and had to be ordered ahead of installation.

VII. **Closed Session under RSMo 610.021**: (1) Litigation (3) Personnel- A motion was made to go into closed session by Noel Dye seconded by Keith Jones. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

VIII. **Adjourn-** A motion was made by Keith Jones seconded by Noel Dye. Motion carried. All were in favor 4-0.

Minutes submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City Clerk Suzanne Welsh

Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Mayor Burrely Loftin

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