

City of New Madrid
CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday August 12, 2024
6:00 pm

CALL TO ORDER

The August 12, 2024, regular meeting of the Board of Alderman of the City of New Madrid was called to order at 6:00pm with Mayor Nick White presiding. Alderman Keene, Alderman Cravens, Alderman Chism, Alderman Lawfield and Alderman Henderson were present. Alderman Riley was absent.

Also in attendance was City Administrator, Aaron Griffin, City Clerk, Paige Keene, City Finance officer Kristy Taylor and City Attorney Chance Hunter.

Alderman Keene led us in prayer.

A. Amend Agenda

Alderman Keene made a motion and Alderman Chism seconded to amend the agenda to include 2 resolutions for purchase of land for the new city hall project.

B. Approval of minutes

The minutes from July 22, 2024, regular meeting was presented.

MOTION: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Henderson seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

C. Old Business

There have been many lights, and a pole replaced on St. Joseph.

D. Mayoral Appointments

With Dana Perry taking a new position Mayor White appointed Sam Barnett to take over the yards and grass code enforcement tasks and Shane Grissom to the homes/buildings code enforcement.

MOTION: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

E. Resolutions(s)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO MB SYSTEMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$21,500.00 FOR THE MUSIC ON THE MISSISSIPPI STAGE AND SET UP.

Motion: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Aldermen present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LAND LEASE WITH FRED AND BETH HARTMAN TO USE PROPERTY FOR PARKING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1.00.

Motion: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Henderson seconded. All Aldermen present voted “Aye.” The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND FROM E.M. PHILLIPS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000.00 FOR THE NEW CITY HALL PROJECT.

Motion: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Lawfield seconded. All Aldermen present voted “Aye.” The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF LAND FROM DAWSON LAND COMPANY, INC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000.00 FOR THE NEW CITY HALL PROJECT.

Motion: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Aldermen present voted “Aye.” The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**

F. Ordinance(s)

24-1345 AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN AN MPUA MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT.

Motion: Alderman Chism made a motion and Alderman Henderson seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Alderman Chism	“yes”
Alderman Keene	“yes”
Alderman Henderson	“yes”
Alderman Cravens	“yes”
Alderman Lawfield	“yes”

24-1346 ADOPTING A NEW PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

Motion: Alderman White made a motion and Alderman Chism seconded. A roll call vote was taken.

Alderman Chism	“yes”
Alderman Keene	“yes”
Alderman Henderson	“yes”
Alderman Cravens	“yes”
Alderman Lawfield	“yes”

G. City Admin Report

City Hall Architects

We met twice in July to discuss the plans for city hall. We're very pleased with the progress and have most design elements selected. They anticipate having a cost estimate together by the next meeting.

Riley Street Lift station

One of the budget items for the year was to replace the control panel at the Riley Street lift station. That has now been completed and is working great.

Music on the Mississippi

Planning has continued to go well, and we have made a lot of progress as we draw close to the event date.

Street Paving

Lambert Engineering has finalized plans for 2024 street paving. Bids will go out at the end of the week and a bid opening will be in early September.

Storm damage- FEMA

The windstorm that occurred on May 26th was declared a natural disaster by FEMA. Weve received the procedure for recouping our expenses and damages during the storm and are working to meet the requirements and get documentation submitted.

Water meters

This is going to be a big project next year to replace these.

Weekend power outage

This weekend it looks like someone hit a line and it snapped. This caused a burnt fuse but was repaired quickly.

H. Adjourn

With no further business to discuss Alderman Chism made a motion to adjourn and Alderman Cravens seconded. All Alderman present voted "Aye." The vote was unanimous **MOTION PASSED.**