

**BOARD OF ALDERMEN
MINUTES
March 12, 2015**

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, met in regular session on Thursday, March 12, 2015, in Council Chambers at Marshfield City Hall.

BE IT KNOWN that a public hearing will be held by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, on March 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall to discuss application of Robert & Danielle Boggs seeking to change the zoning from R-1 (Single Family Residence District) to R-2 (Two-Family Residence District) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 430 of the Marshfield Municipal Code (Zoning Code) at 838 E. Third St. & 607 S. Elm St.

Mayor Robert Williams called a **Public Hearing** to order at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Robert Williams asked if anyone would like to speak for or against the re-zoning.

No one spoke

Mayor Robert Williams closed the Public Hearing at 6:31 p.m.

BE IT KNOWN that a public hearing will be held by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Marshfield, Missouri, on March 12, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall to discuss application of Freda Crates & Marshfield Firefighters Association on a variance for a detached sign per City Municipal Code Section 407 at 210 W. Jackson St.

Mayor Robert Williams called a **Public Hearing** to order at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Robert Williams asked if anyone would like to speak for or against the variance.

No one spoke

Mayor Robert Williams closed the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Robert Williams called the meeting to order at 6.34 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Answering roll call were Mayor Robert Williams, East Ward Aldermen Rob Foster and East Ward Alderman Ken Williams West Ward Alderman Vicki Montgomery and West Ward Alderman Champ Herren. Absent: None

MINUTES – Alderman Foster motioned to approve the January 22nd, minutes. Alderman Herren seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams and Herren. Montgomery abstained do to absence from that meeting. Nay: None.

Alderman Foster motioned to approve the February 26th minutes. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. The motion passed with 3 ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams and Montgomery. Herren abstained due to absence from that meeting. Nay: None.

There was no quorum for the February 27th meeting, therefore no minutes needed to be approved.

EXPENDITURES AND FINANCIAL REPORT – Alderman Herren made a motion to approve expenditures. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None. .

MAYOR'S REPORT – Mayor Robert Williams described the Vision Casting process that the City is currently working through. Mayor Williams also informed the Board of Aldermen of several improvements that the City will be moving forward with in regards to the council chambers, but the Board would be kept up to date as we move forward. Mayor Williams also reminded the Board of the Ballot question that would be on the April ballot and that the regular Mayor's report will be going out at the end of the month with the utility bills describing and explaining the ballot question along with updating the public on other topics.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS Plans Examiner Greg Smalley submitted his building permit report for February 2015 and Building Inspector Britt Hume submitted his IPMC Report. Mayor Williams complemented the reports and expressed his appreciation of them, the Board of Aldermen quickly concurred.

OLD BUSINESS

1. REPORT FROM PLANNING & ZONING

Alderman Foster made a motion to approve the Planning and Zoning recommendation to approve the re-plat and the rezone for Robert and Danielle Boggs and an ordinance be brought back at the next meeting. Alderman Herren Seconded. Motioned passed with 4 ayes. Voting Aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None

Mayor Williams stated that he had been in contact with Jason Jones and that he believed that all parties involved were on the same page and ready to move forward with the planning for the development for Mr. Jones' request.

Alderman Herren motioned to send the rezoning case back to Planning and Zoning. Alderman Foster seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None

2. APPLICATION FROM FREDA CRATES & MARSHFIELD FIREFIGHTERS

ASSOCIATION ON VARIANCE FOR A DETACHED SIGN AT 210 W. JACKSON ST.

Michael Taylor spoke in regards to the request, laying out the location, description and size of the size requested in the application. Discussion was held on the size of the sign, Michael stated that the intent was to erect a 5'x10' (50 sq.ft.) sign in the described location on the property. Alderman Foster stated that the code did not allow for a sign of 50 sq.ft.

Michael stated that he would be satisfied dropping the size down to 32 sq.ft. , but when asked by the board about 24 sq. ft. Michael stated they would not be interested for he felt the sign would be to small. Mayor Williams stated that the actual size of the sign would need to conform to whatever the code allows. Discussion was held that the code only allows 24 sq.ft. for a monument sign, and that a change was needed in the request for variance to include the size of the sign.

Alderman Herren motioned to waive the \$25 application fee to the City of Marshfield so that a new application could be made. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 ayes.

Deputy City Administrator Sam Rost stated that the Board needed to set another public hearing for said variance and recommended April 9th, 2015 in order for the applicant to meet the posting requirements.

Alderman Williams motioned to set the public hearing for April 9th, 2015. Alderman Montgomery seconded. Motion passed with 4 ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None

3. TRAFFIC, TRUCK ROUTES IN CITY –

Alderman Foster stated that the City had good conversation with MoDot regarding this very issue and it was his opinion and his understanding that it was also MoDot's opinion

that the City of Marshfield and MoDot needed to begin conversations with Burlington Northern Railroad for future infrastructure planning. The Board agreed and instructed Deputy City Administrator to contact Burlington Northern and arrange a meeting with them.

NEW BUSINESS

APPLICATION FOR REPLAT OF LOTS 1, 2 AND 6 OF THE FINAL PLAT OF BRIARWOOD WEST – REFER TO PLANNING AND ZONING – MARCH 24, 2015

Alderman Foster made a motion to refer this application to Planning and Zoning. Alderman Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed with 4 ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – none.

CLOSED SESSION – Alderman Williams made a motion to enter closed session Pursuant to Section 610.021.2 of the revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to leasing, purchases, or sale of real estate and Pursuant to Section 610.021.3 of the revised Statutes of the State of Missouri pertaining to hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting particular employee at 7:55 p.m. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed in a roll call vote with three ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams and Montgomery. Nay: None. Absent: Herren.

Discussion was held, no other action taken.

Alderman Foster made a motion to enter regular session at 10:35 p.m. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed in a roll call vote with three ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams and Montgomery. Nay: None. Absent: Herren.

APPLICATION FROM FREDA CRATES & MARSHFIELD FIREFIGHTERS ASSOCIATION ON VARIANCE FOR A DETACHED SIGN AT 210 W. JACKSON ST.

After exiting closed session, the request for the variance was reopened for discussion. The discussion was regarding whether the sign would be categorized as a monument sign.

There were three votes taken:

1. Alderman Herren motioned to vacate the previous vote to set a public hearing for the April 9th, meeting. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery, Herren. Nay: None.
2. Alderman Herren motioned to vacate the previous vote waiving of the \$25 fee for re-application. Alderman Foster seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery, Herren. Nay: None.
3. Alderman Herren motioned to approve the application for variance with the condition that the sign will not exceed 32 sq.ft. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Foster, Montgomery, Herren. Voting nay: Williams.

ADJOURN – With no other business appearing before the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Foster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 p.m. Alderman Montgomery seconded the motion. The motion passed with four ayes. Voting aye: Foster, Williams, Montgomery and Herren. Nay: None.

Robert Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sam Rost, Deputy City Administrator

