

**DEXTER BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 1, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Dexter Board of Aldermen was held Monday, July 1, 2024, at the Municipal Building, 119 Vine Street, Dexter, Missouri.

At 7:00 p.m., Mayor Mark Snider called the meeting to order.

Aldermen present: Glen Robinson, Terry Battles, Tim Aslin, Larry Helm, Randal Tennison and Bryce Matthews. Also, present were: City Clerk Crystal Bishop, City Administrator David Wyman and City Attorney Yewell Lawrence, Jr.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting held Monday, June 3, 2024 and special meeting held Monday, June 10, 2024 have been distributed. There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, Mayor Snider entertained a motion that the minutes be approved as printed.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin that the minutes be approved as printed.

Second: By Alderman Robinson

Motion Carried 6-0

CITIZENS' INPUT

There was no citizens' input.

CITY AUDITOR'S REPORT

C.P.A. Eddie Cato presented the financial report for May 2024. The report showed the city had nearly \$9.7 million in cash and investments. In May receipts of \$956,093.34 exceeded disbursements of \$573,996.82 by \$382,096.52. Mr. Cato explained this was due to a transfer from Dexter Mo Public Facilities Authority loan to reimburse the water fund for the hotel project and the water meter project.

The May Sales Tax was \$145,275, Capital Improvement Tax and Park and Recreation Tax were \$81,280. The receipts for the month included sales and use taxes, grant income, and SRO reimbursement. The disbursements for the month included capital expenditures.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Lawrence proposed an ordinance for a supplemental agreement with Hanson Professional Services, Inc. for consulting services for Airport Project No. 24-076A-1.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5144

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT ENTITLED "AVIATION PROJECT CONSULTANT SUPPLEMENTAL" BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEXTER, MISSOURI AND HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC., TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES FOR DEXTER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT UNDER A PROJECT FUNDED BY MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, PROJECT NO. 24-076A-1, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A, FOR HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, INC'S FEE FOR CONSULTING SERVICES, NOT TO EXCEED \$139,401.00, PAYABLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXHIBIT IV AND V OF THIS AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DEXTER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT AND THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST TO SUCH EXECUTION AND AFFIX THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF DEXTER; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THIS PROJECT, AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Alderman Aslin moved, seconded by Alderman Robinson, that Ordinance Number 5144 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Aslin, Helm, Tennison, Matthews, Robinson and Battles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5144 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Helm, Tennison, Matthews, Robinson, Battles and Aslin

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5144 duly passed.

City Attorney Lawrence presented a proposed ordinance to amend section 700.020 of the city code to increase the sewer rates. After some discussion, changes to be made on the ending date from February 1, 2024 to February 1, 2026.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5145

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 700 OF THE CITY CODE BY AMENDING SECTION 700.020, INCREASING THE SEWER RATES TO BE CHARGED TO CITY CUSTOMERS; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE THEREOF.

Alderman Robinson moved, seconded by Alderman Battles, that Ordinance Number 5145 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Tennison, Matthews, Robinson, Battles, Aslin and Helm
Nays: None
Absent: None

Alderman Helm moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5145 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Matthews, Robinson, Battles, Aslin, Helm and Tennison
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5145 duly passed.

City Attorney Lawrence presented a proposed ordinance to accept Apex Paving Company's bid for the rehabilitation of Dexter Municipal Airport Runway 18/36.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5146

AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING APEX PAVING COMPANY'S BID OF \$1,436,682.25 FOR THE REHABILITATION OF DEXTER MUNICIPAL AIRPORT RUNWAY 1/36; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE SUCH CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT WITH APEX PAVING COMPANY TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THIS PROJECT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Alderman Aslin moved, seconded by Alderman Helm, that Ordinance Number 5146 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Helm, Tennison, Matthews, Robinson, Battles and Aslin
Nays: None
Absent: None

Alderman Robinson moved, seconded by Alderman Battles, that Ordinance Number 5146 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Tennison, Matthews, Robinson, Battles, Aslin and Helm
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5146 duly passed.

City Attorney Lawrence presented a proposed ordinance to execute an agreement MoDOT block grant to reimburse for fuel expenses.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5147

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT ENTITLED "MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION STATE BLOCK GRANT AGREEMENT", ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A", BETWEEN THE CITY OF DEXTER, MISSOURI, AND THE MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION, FOR AIRPORT OPERATIONAL AND MAINTENANCE EXPENSES OR DEBT SERVICE PAYMENTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ARP ACT AND HB 3004, ALSO REFERRED TO AS PROJECT NO. 21-076A-2, TO GRANT A SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$32,000.00, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF DEXTER TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT AND THE CITY CLERK TO ATTEST TO SUCH EXECUTION AND AFFIX THE OFFICIAL SEAL OF THE CITY OF DEXTER; AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR THIS PROJECT; AND PROVIDING FOR THE EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Robinson, that Ordinance Number 5147 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Matthews, Robinson, Battles, Aslin, Helm and Tennison
Nays: None
Absent: None

Alderman Helm moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5147 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Robinson, Battles, Aslin, Helm, Tennison and Matthews
Nays: None
Absent: None

Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5147 duly passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no Committee Reports.

DEPARTMENT HEAD'S REPORT

Police Chief Hank Trout reported he had officers help with the Rock the Country concert in Poplar Bluff over the weekend, they celebrated the retirement of Officer Joel Dorr, a robbery

at Break Time convenience store occurred and the suspect was apprehended within 24 hours, and they have received two MoDOT grants.

The public safety committee met prior to the meeting and recommended hiring Ms. Evelyn Acevez as a full-time police officer. Mayor Snider appointed Ms. Acevez as a full-time police officer.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to ratify the appointment of Ms. Acevez as a full-time police officer.

Second: By Alderman Battles

Motion Carried 6-0

Fire Chief Don Seymore updated the Board on the volunteer work with the storm cleanup, the saw group finished on Saturday and the skid steer group has approximately 11 more addresses. The generator at City Hall has been installed, the LP tank will be installed next and then it will be ready for the generator company to do the initial setup.

Street & Sanitation Superintendent Jeremiah Robinson the paving has begun on the street grant, they have begun spraying for mosquitos, cleaning up from the recent flooding rains and storm cleanup continues.

Park & Recreation Superintendent Jamie Rowe reported they are continuing cleanup from the storms, Grille It Up will be held July 12-13, community garden program, swimming pool and gym expansion.

Water & Wastewater Superintendent Jim Overall reported they have been removing equipment from the Omega building and have had a few leak repairs.

Librarian Jordan Myers reported on the summer reading program, they have had approximately 2,600 books checked out and 1,100 e-books checked out.

Building & Grounds Leighton Hensley reported they have been keeping up with the mowing.

CITY ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Rich Cochran was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Economic Developer Alisha Trammell reported on her training with the Institute for Organizational Management and the hotel project. The farmers market will be held on July 3rd this week, a ribbon cutting will be held for Style Studio on July 9th and the Small Business Development Center will be hosting a seminar on July 23rd. She received certification for MoCED and has been elected to the state Economic Development Council. The tech center had 13 students offered jobs and graduated from the first program. Senator Jason Bean helped with securing \$1.1 million for the tech training center.

CITY CLERK'S REPORT

City Clerk Bishop presented the disbursements for June included disaster expenditures and airport fuel.

ORDINANCE NUMBER 5148

SOUTHERN BANK ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$ 643,464.39
SOUTHERN BANK PAYROLL ACCOUNT	\$ 326,581.14
SOUTHERN BANK ARP ACCOUNT	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK DEP. & REPLACEMENT FUND	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK HEALTH ACCOUNT	\$ 55,362.88
SOUTHERN BANK PRINCIPAL & INT FUND	\$ 0.00
SOUTHERN BANK TOURISM TAX ACCOUNT	\$ 19,441.12
SOUTHERN BANK CDBG ACCOUNT	\$ 126,212.50
TOTAL	 \$1,171,062.03

Alderman Battles moved, seconded by Alderman Aslin, that Ordinance Number 5148 be approved on the first reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Battles, Aslin, Helm, Tennison, Matthews and Robinson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Alderman Helm moved, seconded by Alderman Tennison, that Ordinance Number 5148 be approved on the second and final reading, with the following roll call vote recorded:

Ayes: Aldermen Aslin, Helm, Tennison, Matthews, Robinson and Battles

Nays: None

Absent: None

Mayor Snider declared Ordinance Number 5148 duly passed.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

City Administrator David Wyman reported on the following items.

- Storm cleanup
- Airport SPCC report is complete.
- Working on plans for a new street department.
- Design Alliance gym expansion and funding.
- The Park Department received the next phase of the trail grant.
- Stars & Stripes project
- BRPC comprehensive economic development strategy.
- Will be attending DRA leadership program in Cape Girardeau.
- Will be attending a MoDOT meeting in Poplar Bluff.
- Seeking a company to stripe the roadways.
- Will be spraying for mosquitos with a drone for Grille It Up.
- The Governor has approved \$150 million for the I-57 project.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Snider distributed copies of Chapter 215 of the City Code regarding nuisances. He explained the issue of nuisance properties has the potential to affect businesses coming to Dexter and health and safety hazards. The Board discussed the process of condemning properties, police procedures for issuing notices and summons, court assessing fines, and who is responsible for the cleanup of properties with renters. Other items discussed were how surrounding cities are managing nuisance properties. City Attorney Lawrence will research what abilities we have to get properties cleanup.

ALDERMANIC FORUM

There was no Aldermanic Forum.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to adjourn into executive session to discuss legal and personnel matters.

Second: By Alderman Helm

Motion Carried 6-0

There being no further business to come before the Board.

Motion: By Alderman Aslin to adjourn the meeting.

Second: By Alderman Robinson

Motion Carried 6-0

Attest:

Crystal Bishop, City Clerk

Mark Snider, Mayor

Approved: _____