

MINUTES – SPECIAL SESSION
GOODMAN BOARD OF ALDERMAN
February 10, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.
City Hall – Council Chambers
203 W. Barlow St., Goodman, MO

A quorum being present Mayor Fisher called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT:

J.R. Fisher, Ed Tuomala, Ron Johnson, Beth Hallmark

COUNCIL ABSENT: Calvin Wilson

CITY OFFICERS PRESENT:

Georgia Holtz, City Clerk, Minutes taken by Clerk.

CITY OF GOODMAN STAFF PRESENT:

Ben Shoemaker, Kevin Carter

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fisher led the Pledge of Allegiance

NEW BUSINESS

City of Goodman Mission Statement

Mayor Fisher read the City of Goodman Mission Statement. Alderman Hallmark indicated the mission statement was required for the RTP grant application that is due Friday, February 14. Alderman Tuomala made the motion to approve the mission statement, Alderman Hallmark seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2020-507: Amend Municipal Judge position from Elected to Appointed, 1st Reading

Mayor Fisher read Bill No. 2020-507 Ordinance No. 2020-517 in title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOODMAN AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GOODMAN ARTICLE I, SECTION 125.030 TO CHANGE THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE POSTION FROM ELECTED TO APPOINTED

Alderman Hallmark made the motion to approve Bill No. 2020-507 Ordinance No. 202-517, Alderman Johnson seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2020-507: Amend Municipal Judge position from Elected to Appointed, 2nd Reading

Mayor Fisher read Bill No. 2020-507 Ordinance No. 2020-517 in title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOODMAN AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF GOODMAN ARTICLE I, SECTION 125.030 TO CHANGE THE MUNICIPAL JUDGE POSTION FROM ELECTED TO APPOINTED

Alderman Hallmark made the motion to approve Bill No. 2020-507 Ordinance No. 202-517, Alderman Tuomala seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2020-508: Authorizing the City of Goodman, Missouri to enter into and execute a cooperation agreement with the City of Pineville, Missouri, 1st Reading

Mayor Fisher read Bill No. 2020-508 Ordinance No. 2020-518 in title only.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GOODMAN AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GOODMAN, MISSOURI TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PINEVILLE, MISSOURI RELATED TO CERTAIN MUNICIPAL COURT OPERATIONS AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO

Alderman Johnson made the motion to approve Bill No. 2020-508 Ordinance No. 2020-518, Alderman Hallmark seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bill No. 2020-508: Authorizing the City of Goodman, Missouri to enter into and execute a cooperation agreement with the City of Pineville, Missouri, 2nd Reading

Mayor Fisher read Bill No. 2020-508 Ordinance No. 2020-518 in title only.

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Alderman Hallmark made the motion to approve Bill No. 2020-508 Ordinance No. 2020-518, Alderman Tuomala seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Appoint City Clerk Pro Tem

Mayor Fisher stated we want approval to appoint Shirley Igisomar as City Clerk Pro Tem and approve a pay increase of \$1.50 per hour for her additional duties she has taken on since her hire. Alderman Tuomala made the motion to approve to appoint Shirley Igisomar as City Clerk Pro Tem and also approve her pay increase of \$1.50 per hour, Alderman Hallmark seconded the motion. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Appoint a City Attorney

Mayor Fisher stated he has spoken with attorney Jordan Paul regarding the city attorney position. He is attorney for a couple of towns in our area and also for City of Joplin. We will bring him on as temporary attorney for right now as we have a couple of issues that we need attorney guidance on. We will bid out the position at a later time. Alderman Johnson asked for clarification if this is just a temporary appointment. Mayor Fisher responded yes. Alderman Tuomala asked what his rate is. Mayor Fisher stated his rate is \$200 per hour. Alderman Johnson if these were pressing issues so that the City needs someone right now. Mayor Fisher indicated he thought so. Alderman Tuomala stated it is not a good idea to not have an attorney. Mayor Fisher also stated Mr. Paul will probably be in the bid process when we do that in the future. Alderman Hallmark made the motion to appoint Jordan Paul as our city attorney, Alderman Tuomala seconded the motion. Ald. Hallmark, Tuomala and Johnson voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Discussion with the Recreation Department

Heith Lewis spoke as the representative of the Recreation Department. He stated there are rumors that the City of Goodman wants to separate from the Recreation Department. Mayor Fisher provided Heith with a letter from the auditor that stated some changes needed to be made with the arrangements with the Recreation Department. The mayor also stated that the City will do everything we can to support the Recreation Department and the ballfields and resolve this. With an auditor and attorney suggesting we need to look into it, we have to consider options we have to take to resolve it. Alderman Hallmark suggested they might want to check with an attorney for options and costs associated with separating the federal ID number. She also stated we will talk with the attorney and the auditor on what it will take to resolve this. Mr. Lewis knew there would be costs associated with becoming a profit 501c3 non-profit organization. He stated he has done this for 31 years and didn't anticipate having to change it now. It would involve raising the rates on team fees and food, etc. Alderman Hallmark had researched and stated it would be approximately \$600-700 per year in taxes over the course of a year. She also stated we want to keep this ball program going, it is worth it to us. Alderman Tuomala stated the ballpark is an asset to the City. Alderman Hallmark stated this a full-time job for Mr. Lewis, he spends many hours from now through summer working at the ballfields. Mr. Lewis stated games start May 1 and are 5 days a week through June. Mayor Fisher stated all of us here want to support the Recreation Department. Mr. Lewis indicated they would still want to have an overseer on the bank account even if they switch. Alderman Hallmark stated she worked over the weekend trying to reconcile the bank statements for the Parks and Recreation account; there may be some receipts missing. Mr. Lewis stated he wants the City to back these kids and the community. Mayor Fisher stated the City is on board with everything they are doing. Mr. Lewis stated that is his main goal. Alderman Hallmark asked if they would like her to call the bank and see what we have to do. Mr. Lewis responded yes. He also stated he will still be the director this year and hopes to have some help in the future.

MOVE TO ADJOURN

Motion was made to adjourn by Alderman Hallmark, seconded by Alderman Tuomala. Ald. Tuomala, Johnson and Hallmark voted aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.



Georgia Holtz
Georgia Holtz, City Clerk

J.R. Fisher

J.R. Fisher, Mayor

Date: 2/18/20

Approved: gh