

ITEM I: Call to Order

- The Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley, Missouri, met in Regular Session on September 25, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Chambers located at Grain Valley City Hall
- The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mike Todd

ITEM II: Roll Call

- Clerk Jamie Logan called roll
- *Present: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
- *Absent: Bray*

-QUORUM PRESENT-

ITEM III: Invocation

- Invocation was given by Jason Williams of Valley Community Church

ITEM IV: Pledge of Allegiance

- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Rick Knox

ITEM V: Approval of Agenda

- No Changes

ITEM VI: Police Officer Oath of Office

- Police Captain Joseph Christiansen

ITEM VII: Public Comment

- Kendrick Marriott; 707 SW Meadowood Drive; He was at a prior meeting August 14th to see if he could get a mini bike registered/permitted and he was looking for an update; Chief Turner stated he spoke with the family (on this topic with his findings)
- Mayor Todd clarified that the Missouri State regulation allows for up to 49 cc's and if the City were to approve anything larger, we would be going against state regulations.
- Chief Turner stated that type of vehicle is not able to be registered at the State
- Alderman Skinner asked what the difference between this type and a mo-ped is and asked if it is the cc's.
 - Chief Turner stated it is the engine size; Mayor Todd clarified with Mr. Marriott if his engine was larger than that; yes
- Alderman Skinner asked Mr. Marriott if he was aware of any cities allowing these to be licensed; Mr. Marriott stated not licensed that he's aware of, but stated he did see them in

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Grandview recently; Alderman Skinner stated it may not be legal there– Mr. Marriott stated he has seen them in Blue Springs- he’s just trying to do the right thing

- Alderman Knox asked what it takes to make it legal; Mr. Marriott stated he’s added items to his machine including brake lights, taillights, muffler, etc. and looks like a mini motorcycle; Mayor Todd asked if it can be registered now with the state now? Mr. Marriott stated it is in a grey area
- Alderman Skinner stated insurance would be the hang up here as golf carts even have insurance; Mr. Marriott said he can obtain insurance
- Chief Turner commended Mr. Marriott for coming in and having the dialogue and stated it won’t meet the state regulations so we cannot do at this time
- Alderman Knox suggested going to Lee’s Summit Highway Patrol for them to inspect
- A citizen in the audience asked how golf carts get permits? Mr. Murphy stated our ordinance mirrors the state statute – there is state legislation about neighborhood vehicles (UTVs & golf carts and even includes what roads can be driven on as state law does allow for it); Mayor Todd reminded that ATVs/4-wheelers should not be on the roads & our officers do watch for that

ITEM VIII: Consent Agenda

- September 11, 2023 – Board of Aldermen Regular Meeting Minutes
- September 25, 2023 – Accounts Payable
- September 25, 2023 – Destruction Certificate City Clerk
- September 25, 2023 – Destruction Certificate Human Resources
- September 25, 2023 – Destruction Certificate Utility Billing
- September 25, 2023 – Destruction Certificate Finance
- *Alderman Skinner made a Motion to Accept the Consent Agenda*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox*
 - *No discussion*
- *Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda was voted on with the following voice vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Motion Approved: 5-0-

ITEM IX: Previous Business

- None

ITEM X: New Business

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- A citizen asked what happens since the cities of Blue Springs, Independence, Lee's Summit have all filed suit – what is Grain Valley doing; Mayor Todd stated legal items cannot be discussed in open sessions and legal items are discussed in closed session- he went on to state the various things he feels are being done wrong; Mayor Todd stated that these were all issues that are being looked at and that the State Auditor coming in is a big step
- The citizen agrees with Alderman Skinner that this is an embarrassment and feels this has been handled wrong
- Mayor Todd shared that the levy has to be set at this meeting tonight by state law it must be done by October 1st and stated this will likely not be a speedy solution
- *Motion to approve Resolution No. R23-67 was voted upon with the following voice vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Resolution No. R23-67 Approved: 5-0-

****Send certified mail copy of resolution****

ITEM XIV: Ordinances

Bill No. B23-29: An Ordinance to Establish the City of Grain Valley, Missouri's Annual Tax Levies for the 2023 Calendar Year for General Municipal Government Operations; The Retirement of General Obligation Debt; Park Maintenance; and Public Health Purposes

Bill No. B23-29 was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the first reading by title only

- *Alderman Skinner moved to accept the first reading of Bill No. B23-29 and bring it back for a second reading by title only*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Cleaver*
 - This is the ordinance associated with the Public Hearing and is on for 2 reads in one meeting due to the timeline
 - Alderman Arnold shared what the levy dropping would do for a homeowner – provided an example of what taxes could look like for someone- reminded them if there was an increase, you wouldn't see as big of a savings due to the rollback. He cautioned if rolled back to previous assessments, the city will be short on funds as people will pay on what is being set now
- *Motion to accept the first reading of Bill No. B23-29 and bring it back for a second reading*

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was voted upon with the following voice vote:

- Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills Skinner
- Nay:
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Bill No. B23-29 was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the second reading by title only

- Alderman Skinner moved to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-29** and approve it as ordinance #2435
- The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Knox
 - None
- Motion to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-29** and approve it as ordinance #2435 was voted upon with the following roll call vote:
 - Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner
 - Nay:
 - Abstain:

-Bill No. B23-29 Became Ordinance #2435 5-0-

Bill No. B23-30: An Ordinance of the City of Grain Valley Amending the City Code Regarding Marijuana

Bill No. B23-30 was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the second reading by title only

- Alderman Arnold moved to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-30** and approve it as ordinance #2436
- The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Skinner
 - None
- Motion to accept the second reading of Bill No. **B23-30** and approve it as ordinance #2436 as voted upon with the following roll call vote:
 - Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner
 - Nay:

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- *Abstain:*

-Bill No. B23-30 Became Ordinance #2436 5-0-

Bill No. B23-31: An Ordinance by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Grain Valley, Missouri to Amend the City Code Title IV, Chapter 425 to Remove Medical Marijuana Facilities and Replace it With Comprehensive Marijuana Facilities

Bill No. B23-31 was read by City Clerk Jamie Logan for the second reading by title only

- *Alderman Cleaver moved to accept the second reading of Bill No. B23-31 and approve it as ordinance #2437*
- *The Motion was Seconded by Alderman Mills*
 - None
- *Motion to accept the second reading of Bill No. B23-31 and approve it as ordinance #2437 as voted upon with the following roll call vote:*
 - *Aye: Arnold, Cleaver, Knox, Mills, Skinner*
 - *Nay:*
 - *Abstain:*

-Bill No. B23-31 Became Ordinance #2437 5-0-

ITEM XV: City Attorney Report

- Mr. Lauber stated they are in process of hiring a couple more associate attorneys; Mr. Lauber stated International Lawyers Association meeting is later this week and will be out of the office

ITEM XVI: City Administrator & Staff Reports

- City Administrator Ken Murphy
 - Thanked the staff for their time before, during and after the event
- Deputy City Administrator Theresa Osenbaugh
 - None
- Police Chief Ed Turner
 - Thanked the community for their support of National Night Out this past week
- Finance Director Steven Craig
 - None
- Parks & Recreation Director Shannon Davies

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- None
- Community Development Director Mark Trosen
 - None
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 - None

ITEM XVII: Board of Aldermen Reports & Comments

- Alderman Dale Arnold
 - Congratulated High School Band for their top honors yesterday in their competition
- Alderman Brian Bray
 - Absent
- Alderman Tom Cleaver
 - None
- Alderman Rick Knox
 - None
- Alderman Darren Mills
 - None
- Alderman Ryan Skinner
 - None

ITEM XVIII: Mayor Report

- Additional Parking Spots have been painted along Walnut – sight distances on Main Street were not what they needed to be, so this will correct this issue and 1 parking spot on each end of Main Street need to be eliminated in the near future due to the sight distance issues
- Alderman Arnold asked of Jackson County's ETA on repaving on South Buckner Tarsney; Mr. Trosen stated an overlay is the follow up after the milling process and if they follow the normal expectations, it shouldn't be too much longer
- The intersection at Main and 40 is causing some issues when people are blocking the intersection during high traffic times of day as a result of the construction at I-70 – the good news is they are getting closer to wrapping up the project. Mayor Todd asked Chief if more attention could be focused on this intersection during higher traffic times – in the past during construction projects an officer sat there writing tickets/educating with warnings to eliminate those sitting in the intersection
- Alderman Arnold requested more vigilance
- Alderman Knox stated some are not intentionally blocking due to the timing
- Mr. Murphy stated there are some issues because it is so close to I-70; Chief stated sometimes getting in the middle of it can cause more issues; Mayor Todd asked if signage

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can be put up; Mr. Trosen stated MODOT would need to put up the signs and then they would need to be enforced

- Alderman Knox stated people are turning left into a red light
- Alderman Skinner asked for an ETA; Mr. Murphy stated he thinks they are 2/3 of the way completed.

ITEM XIX: Executive Session

- None

ITEM XX: Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 P.M.

Minutes submitted by:

Jamie Logan
City Clerk

Date

Minutes approved by:

Mike Todd
Mayor

Date

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