City of Battlefield
Board of Aldermen
Regular Session Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2024

Item 1 Ceremonial Matters

Item 1a Pledge of Allegiance-led by Alderman Rocky Compton.

Item 1b Opening Prayer-led by Alderman Scott Campbell

Item 2 Roll Call

The following Board of Aldermen were present for the meeting: Doug Cunio, Scott Campbell, Samantha Forbes, Rocky Compton, Tim Kelley Sr., and Matt McNitt. The City Clerk completed the roll call and deemed a quorum present. All Board members were present for the vote. Staff present were City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn, Police Chief Chris McPhail, and City Clerk Beth Anne West.

Item 3 Call to order

Mayor Mark Crabtree brought the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at Battlefield City Hall located at 5434 S. Tower Drive, Battlefield, MO 65619.

Item 4 Consent Agenda

Motion was made by Aldermen Rocky Compton to approve and adopt consent agenda as presented including items a-h: December 3, 2024, Board of Aldermen regular session meeting minutes; Bills paid in the amount of $28195.53; Bills to approve in the amount of $14936.70; Sewer/Parks-Refunds paid in the amount of $247.74; Payroll reports; November 2024 Financial Statements; November 2024 Bank Reconciliations; Sewer Adjustment for the month of November 2024 in the amount of $99.81. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Forbes. A vote was taken, and the vote was 6 Ayes- Doug Cunio, Scott Campbell, Samantha Forbes, Rocky Compton, Tim Kelley Sr., and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 5 Public Input

Todd Green-5058 S. Ranch view Road, Battlefield, MO 65619. Mr. Green noted he was issued ticket that he paid for today during the court session held at City Hall today and he felt the area that has a school zone should be referenced better for those traveling through the area so it would cut down on tickets issues. Mr. Green also noted that several attendees at court had been issued speeding tickets in the school zone and several were pleading out the ticket so they would not have points on their licenses and wanted the board to consider these ideas.

Item 6 **Unfinished Business**
None.

Item 7 **New Business**
Item 7a **Discussion and Possible Vote to Approve Street Closure Permit Application and Process.**
City Administrator Tommy Vanhorn explained that he had been approached by a citizen to hold a parade for a Christmas parade and that in the past the City had held this in conjunction with a city event therefore it had been under the City's insurance policy and that since this request was to have a parade and the need to close city streets would need to occur with a police presence to protect traffic concerns for the City there was a meeting with the City's insurance representative after the initial meeting with the citizen and it was determined that a formal contract and/or application would need to be created to delineate the insurance liability to the rightful party and the entity (citizen), Mrs. Deziree Marsh noted she was the applicant and stated she had received the application after filing out a block party request to be sent to the Police Chief and was in process of getting the parade together for the 21st of December and that after further consideration with her attorney reviewing the document she was advised not to sign the application and therefore she would not be able to hold the proposed parade if this document was put in place. Discussion followed on the cost being charged ($100), and how this was determined. Mr. Vanhorn explained that after having the meeting with the City's insurance agent it was realized the City's potential liability for not having something in place and it was only 9 days (business days), to create and vet a document to make the parade a possibility by this meeting. Discussed followed on reference to potential for additional costs to the applicant for items to be reimbursed to the City. Mr. Vanhorn noted those applied to contractors not for the parade application meaning there would only be the $100.00 fee charged for a (community event). Discussion followed on whether it was appropriate to have the form in place before an ordinance was in the code book regarding the process and the need was mentioned for citizen/applicants to have access to the full process. Motion was made by Alderman Doug Cunio to approve the street closure permit application as presented. Motion was seconded by Alderman Tim Kelley Sr. A roll call vote was taken, and the vote was 2-Ayes-Doug Cunio and Tim Kelley Sr. 4 Nays-Matt McNitt, Rocky Compton, Samantha Forbes, and Scott Campbell. Motion denied. All Board members were present for the vote.

Item 7b **Discussion and Possible Vote to Affirm Mayor's Appointment of Kevin Britt to Advisory Park Board.**
Mr. Kevin Britt introduced himself, stating he had lived here about 5 years and was retired so he had the extra time to devote to the Park Board. Motion was made by Aldermen Rocky Compton to Confirm Mayor's appointment of Kevin Britt to Advisory Park Board. Motion was seconded by Alderman Tim Kelley Sr. A vote was taken, and the vote was 6 Ayes- Doug

Cunio, Scott Campbell, Samantha Forbes, Rocky Compton, Tim Kelley Sr., and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 7c Discussion and Possible vote to Approve Resolution #24-R-02, a Resolution Affirming the Board of Aldermen's Support of the Preservation of Governmental Immunity-Missouri for Commercial General Liability and the Authorization by the Board of President and/or Mayor to Sign Documentation for the City.

Motion was made by Aldermen Rocky Compton to table the item until the next meeting to further review and possibly approve. Motion was seconded by Alderman Tim Kelley Sr. A vote was taken, and the vote was 6 Ayes- Doug Cunio, Scott Campbell, Samantha Forbes, Rocky Compton, Tim Kelley Sr., and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Item 8 Adjournment

Motion was made by Aldermen Rocky Compton to Adjourn the meeting at 8: 30 p.m. Motion was seconded by Alderman Samantha Forbes. A vote was taken, and the vote was 6 Ayes- Doug Cunio, Scott Campbell, Samantha Forbes, Rocky Compton, Tim Kelley Sr., and Matt McNitt. 0 Nays. All Board members were present for the vote. Motion approved.

Mark Crabtree

Mayor-Mark Crabtree

ATTEST:

Beth Anne West

City Clerk-Beth Anne West, City Clerk

Reading and vote: 5 Ayes- Matt McNitt, Tim Kelley Sr, Rocky Compton, Scott Campbell, and Doug Cunio. 0 Nays. Alderman Samantha Forbes was absent for the vote. 1-7-2025.

Minutes approved: January 7, 2025