



MINUTES
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
CITY OF GREEN PARK, MISSOURI
June 15, 2009

Mayor Konopka called the Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2009 at the Green Park City Hall, 11100 Mueller Road, Suite 3, Green Park, Missouri. The roll was called and the following officers were present:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Excused</u>
Mayor: Tony Konopka	X		
Aldermen: Fred Baras	X		
Anthony Pousosa	X		
Tim Thuston	X		
Carol Hamilton	X		
Mark Hayden	X		
Jackie Wilson	X		

PUBLIC HEARING:

- 1. Amended Final Development Plan submitted on behalf of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren UE for 11149 Lindbergh Business Court for expanding the parking lot, adding retaining walls and modifying existing retaining walls.**

David Krumm, architect with Burns McDonnell, introduced himself as the representative for Ameren UE. He stated that this is a training facility for Ameren and explained the need for additional parking. He also indicated on the plans where the short retaining walls would be located. After his presentation, there were no citizen comments.

REGULAR MEETING:

- 1. Reading and Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Mayor Konopka asked for motion to approve the Minutes of the Board of Aldermen Meeting of May 18, 2009. A motion was made by Alderman Baras and seconded by Alderman Hayden that the minutes be approved. Upon a voice vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed.

- 2. Citizen Comments & Petitions**

Matt Gumersell introduced himself. He stated he is a business owner of 20 years and also runs an internet business which in the past 5 months has earned \$160,000 in sales. He has filed for an occupancy permit in the City of Green Park to open a retail firearms shop at 9943 Lin-Ferry called Sovereign Arms. Along with the retail store, he would like to include a pistol range and would offer training and instructions. He and his employees are nationally

ranked instructors. He will provide a safe, family friendly environment. Currently, his closest competitor is Top Gun in Arnold.

Mark Friederich, 11128 Patsy Drive, addressed the Board stating that traffic in his neighborhood is horrific, yet he feels the City is ignoring the problem. He stated that the Ronnie Hills Subdivision has 3-1/2 times more homes than the other subdivisions in Green Park. He has canvassed the neighborhood and has a petition listing signatures of 85% of the residents in Ronnie Hills in favor of disincorporation. He is upset that a resident was denied a permit to close the streets for a block party because of debris left in the streets after the previous block party, yet he claims the City has left debris in the cul-de-sac from snow plowing. He further stated that if something is not done by the next meeting, they will proceed with disincorporation. He suggested two options: 1) make the end of Patsy one way; 2) close Patsy.

James Jones, 11109 Patsy, questioned the Board as to what happened with the traffic deterrent that was to be put in place after the building of the new Lion's Choice. He also stated that the residents would be willing to pay for speed bumps. If the City does not do anything to address the traffic in Ronnie Hills, Mr. Jones advised the Board that if one of his kids gets hit, he will sue the City.

Jamie Dunphy, 9951 Lin Ferry (work address), stated his disapproval of the City allowing a firearms store at the Lin Ferry location. He further stated that 3,100 children die every year in accidental gun deaths. He hopes that Green Park will have prudence to know the City does not need a gun store on Lin Ferry.

3. Reports of Officers & Committees:

3.1 Mayor & Board of Aldermen

Mayor Konopka reported that bids have been received for the replacement of Antigo and there will be a special meeting to decide which contractor will be awarded the project.

Alderman Pousosa reported the fire hydrant has been painted and additional fire hydrants have been tagged. He also advised that Tuesday, August 4th, is National Night Out.

Alderman Thuston stated that prior to the work session on business licenses, the Board should look into all information from other municipalities on this issue.

3.2 City Attorney

Nothing to report.

3.3 City Engineer/Building Commissioner

Nothing to report.

3.4 City Administrator/City Clerk

Nothing to report.

3.5 Treasurer

Report is in the Board of Aldermen Packet.

4. Unfinished Business

None

5. New Business

5.1 Bill No. 625 Amended Final Development Plan submitted on behalf of Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren UE directing that same be recorded with St. Louis County Recorder of Deeds.

City Attorney, Paul Rost, gave a brief explanation of the Bill No. 625 and City Engineer, Derrick Madej, advised that Ameren UE has submitted a Statement of Need as required by the City on the 1.5' encroachment of the setbacks.

Alderman Hayden made a motion that Bill No. 625 be read for the first time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hamilton. Upon a vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed. Bill No. 625 was read for the first time. Alderman Wilson made a motion that Bill No. 625 be read for the second time. The motion was seconded by Alderman Thuston. Upon a vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed. Bill No. 625 was read for a second time. Alderman Pousosa made a motion that Bill No. 625 be enacted as an Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Alderman Baras. Upon the roll being called the Board of Aldermen voted as follows:

	AYE	NAY
Alderman Hayden	X	
Alderman Baras	X	
Alderman Wilson	X	
Alderman Thuston	X	
Alderman Hamilton	X	
Alderman Pousosa	X	

It was announced that Bill No. 625 will become Ordinance No. 590.

6. Citizens Comments & Petitions

None.

7. Audit of Bills & Claims

City Administrator Zella Pope advised the Board to add the Hochschild Bloom invoice for \$5,574 to the Invoice Documentation Log. Alderman Hayden made a motion to approve payment of the bills. Alderman Pousosa seconded the motion. Upon a vote being taken it was announced that the motion passed.

8. Miscellaneous

Alderman Thuston addressed Mr. Gumersell questioning how his proposed gun shop could be a family friendly environment when he eventually plans to have a range to teach people how to use guns. Alderman Thuston also addressed the Board stating the Board of Aldermen should do everything possible to stop the gun shop from being established in the City of Green Park.

Alderman Wilson addressed the Board and stated she understood that there was going to be some way to limit traffic through Ronnie Hills. She brought up the issue of speed bumps. Mayor Konopka reported that the project has not been completed and there will be some means put in place to address the traffic problem. He also advised that the City is not permitted to install speed bumps by emergency responders.

9. Closed Executive Session – Pursuant to Sections 610.021(1) and 610.021(2) RSMo. -- Confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorney and leasing, purchase or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor.

Alderman Pousosa made a motion to go into Closed Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Alderman Hayden.

Upon a roll call vote the following vote was recorded:

	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Nay</u>
Fred Baras	x	
Mark Hayden	x	
Carol Hamilton	x	
Jackie Wilson	x	

Tim Thuston x
Anthony Pousosa x

The Board went into Closed Executive Session at 7:25 p.m.

10. Resolution #178 a Resolution approving acquisition of certain real estate property for the purpose of securing right-of-way and other easements and licenses necessary for the reconstruction of Green Park Road and authorizing and approving a purchase and sale agreement relating thereto.

City Attorney, Paul Rost, explained the resolution provided the purchase agreement for the final total take of property to do the Green Park Road and to do the swap for the park property needed.

Alderman Wilson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 178. The motion was seconded by Alderman Pousosa. Upon a voice vote, it was announced that Resolution No. 178 passed. Alderman Hamilton abstained from voting.

11. Adjournment

Alderman Pousosa made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Baras seconded the motion. Upon voice vote it was unanimously approved and the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Tony Konopka, Mayor

Attest:

Administrator/City Clerk