

**MINUTES**  
**DES PERES BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**February 22, 2016**  
**DES PERES GOVERNMENT CENTER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Des Peres, Missouri was held at the Des Peres Government Center, 12325 Manchester Road commencing at 7:00 PM on Monday, February 22, 2016.

**ROLL CALL**

The City Clerk took roll with the following board members present: Alderman Gmelich, Alderman Pound, Alderman Raczkiwicz, Alderman Kleinschmidt, Alderman Concagh, and Alderman Becker. Mayor Lahr was also in attendance.

Staff members present included: City Administrator, Assistant City Administrator, City Clerk, City Attorney, Director of Public Works, Director of Public Safety, Director of Finance and the Director of Parks and Recreation. At this time the Board of Aldermen, staff and citizens rose for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Lahr announced the city would recognize the 2015 Employee of the Year and 2015 Public Safety Officer of the Year selected from among nominations submitted by fellow colleagues. The Employee of the Year and Officer of the Year nominations are reviewed by committees and the respective committee selects the honoree. Mayor Lahr stated it is difficult to choose one individual from our overall staff of over 100 full-time employees but thanked all of the city's employees for their dedication and ongoing contributions.

Mayor Lahr recognized Cory Buermann as the 2015 Employee of the Year. Cory is a Street Maintenance Worker and the City Mechanic and has been with the city since 2001. Cory has demonstrated a commendable work ethic and he is well-liked amongst his colleagues. Cory's knowledge and job expertise has protected the City from costly vehicle and equipment repairs. Mayor Lahr presented a plaque to Cory and thanked Cory for his service to the city.

Mayor Lahr and the Director of Public Safety recognized Gregory Van Mierlo as the 2015 Public Safety Officer of the Year. The Director of Public Safety stated the Officer of the Year is selected by fellow officers and supervisors. Gregory has been with the Department of Public Safety since 2013 and has demonstrated a high work ethic, the ability to offer firearms training and he is a motivator for employee wellness. Mayor Lahr and the Director of Public Safety presented Gregory with a plaque and thanked Gregory for his service to the city.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

No public hearings were scheduled.

**AMENDMENT OF AGENDA**

Mayor Lahr asked if there were any additions or changes to the agenda.

Staff requested Bill 16-2761 be added to the agenda under New Business. Mayor Lahr stated Bill 16-2761 would be placed under New Business.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND PETITIONS**

The Mayor asked if there were any citizens in attendance who wished to address the Board on any topic whether on the agenda or not.

There were no citizen comments.

### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**

The Mayor indicated that there were no written reports submitted.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Lahr advised that the Consent Agenda consists of seven (7) items. Under the Board Rules, all items on the consent agenda can be approved by a single motion and any item on the warrant list may be removed prior to the vote at the request of any individual member of the Board of Aldermen. Items on the consent agenda included:

1. Minutes of the February 8, 2016 Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
2. Warrant List Dated February 18, 2016
3. R16-2971 Authorizing a Contract with NuCoat Sealing for Cracksealing and Adopting a Supplemental Appropriation in the Amount of \$6,765 Relating Thereto
4. R16-2972 Authorizing a Contract with KJ Unnerstall for Concrete Sidewalk Replacements
5. R16-2973 Authorizing a Contract with Oates Associates for Design of the Street Garage Roof Replacement Project – Phase II
6. R16-2974 Authorizing Purchase of a Pick Up Truck for the Park Department From Putnam Chevrolet Using Contracts Under the Missouri Cooperative Procurement Program and Adopting a Supplemental Appropriation in the amount of \$3,000 Relating Thereto
7. R16-2975 Authorizing an Emergency Contract with Westport Pools for Investigation and Repair of a Pool Leak at The Lodge and Adopting a Supplemental Appropriation to the 2016 Capital Improvement Fund Budget in the Amount of \$20,000 Relating Thereto

The Mayor asked if there are any items the board wished removed from the consent agenda and placed under New Business.

Alderman Raczkiewicz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Alderman Kleinschmidt. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Alderman Gmelich, AYE; Alderman Becker, AYE; Alderman Pound, AYE; Alderman Concagh, AYE; Alderman Kleinschmidt, AYE; and Alderman Raczkiewicz, AYE; Motion passed 6-0. Alderman Gmelich abstained from the warrant list line item pertaining Curtiz Heinz.

## LEGISLATION – Unfinished

- None

## LEGISLATION – New Business

1. **Bill 16-2761** An Ordinance Authorizing the City Administrator to Enter into and Execute a Contract with St. Louis County, Missouri for Mosquito Control Services

Alderman Kleinschmidt introduced Bill 16-2761.

Alderman Kleinschmidt made a motion to waive the rules, second by Alderman Racziewicz. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Alderman Gmelich, AYE; Alderman Becker, AYE; Alderman Pound, AYE; Alderman Concagh, AYE; Alderman Kleinschmidt, AYE; and Alderman Racziewicz, AYE; Motion passed 6-0.

Alderman Kleinschmidt read Bill 16-2761 for a second reading by title only and made a motion to approve, second by Aldermen Racziewicz. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Alderman Gmelich, AYE; Alderman Becker, AYE; Alderman Pound, AYE; Alderman Concagh, AYE; Alderman Kleinschmidt, AYE; and Alderman Racziewicz, AYE; Motion passed 6-0.

## REPORTS OF STAFF

There were no staff reports.

There being no additional business to come before the regular session of the Board of Aldermen, Alderman Gmelich moved, second by Alderman Pound, to adjourn at 7:13 PM and enter into an executive session to discuss a legal matter with the City Attorney. A roll call vote was then taken with the following results: Alderman Gmelich, AYE; Alderman Becker, AYE; Alderman Pound, AYE; Alderman Concagh, AYE; Alderman Kleinschmidt, AYE; and Alderman Racziewicz, AYE; Motion passed 6-0.

Minutes prepared by:

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Amanda Foster  
City Clerk

These minutes passed and approved this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2016.

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Richard Lahr, Mayor

## ATTEST:

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Amanda Foster  
City Clerk