



CITY OF BUCKNER
Board of Alderman Meeting Minutes
Study Session

03/17/2022

CALL TO ORDER

1. The Board of Aldermen of the City of Buckner, Missouri, met in Study Session on March 17, 2022, in the Council Chambers located in Buckner City Hall.
2. Mayor Box called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. The following Aldermen were present:

Alderman Butts
Alderman Ross
Alderman Norris

Alderman Jones
Alderman Walcott

The following Aldermen were absent: Alderman Kolle

4. The following staff members were present: City Administrator Bobadilla, and Public Works employee JD Moffett

MINUTES

Alderman Butts made a motion to approve the March 3, 2022, Business Session Minutes.
Alderman Walcott seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. **Administration & Finance** – Mayor Box reported on the financial status of all City's accounts.
2. **Public Health & Safety** – No Report
3. **Park Board** – Alderman Butts reported that the Easter egg hunt in the park will be April 9, 2022.
4. **Planning & Zoning** – No Report
5. **Public Works** – No Report
6. **Fairs & Festivals** – Lesly Couch reported that the approved contract for the carnival company was sent, and the owner agreed to the changes.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION** regarding dates for the **City-wide Clean-up.**

City Administrator Bobadilla reported that last year the cost to hold this event was \$2,125.00. The cost was based on \$425 per dumpster. This year AAA trash services has agreed to waive the dumpster fee and just charge the city \$57.00 per ton. City Administrator Bobadilla estimated that last year the event produced 32 tons and the cost should be around \$1,824.00 if the same amount of tonnage is collected. Also, April 30th and all of May is available. Alderman Butts made a motion to approve the May 14th date for the city-wide clean up and May 7th for the city-wide annual garage sale date. Alderman Norris seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye.



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2. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION regarding mosquito control.

Alderman Butts stated that he talked with a biologist at his job about using Krontol 4-4 in the city and the effects on pollinators. The biologist stated that Krontol 4-4 is harmful to bees and suggested using Aquabac 200G BTI granular. According to her this granular is totally organic and safe for pollinators and aquatic life. Alderman Butts suggested that the city buy two 40 lb. bags and a spreader so that we can do a test run at the park. If effective, then the city can treat the park a couple of times in the spring and before the Fourth of July event. In addition, the city can give an endorsement to the citizens with the intention that neighbors can get together and purchase this granular and treat their own yards. The dosage is 2 lbs. per acre at a cost of \$124.95 for a 40 lb. bag. The spreader will cost approximately \$250.00. Alderman Butts made a motion to approve the purchase of the Aquabac 200G and a spreader. Alderman Jones seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye.

3. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION regarding meter deposits refund policy.

Mayor Box stated that the first draft of the policy that was passed was too restricted and didn't produce the result he anticipated. He suggested to broaden the requirements to include accounts that have never been shut off or made a payment arrangement. Alderman Norris made a motion to approve. Alderman Butts seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye. City Administrator Bobadilla stated that he will have an ordinance ready for the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION regarding a work contract for the police department.

Police Chief Sutherland stated he worked with the city's legal staff to produce the work contract that will allow the city to re-coup the cost of training and equipment purchases for newly hired officers. The contract will be for three years; if the officer stays for the entire length of the contract, then their cost is covered 100%. If they leave before the contract time, the new officer will have to pay back to the city the cost for their portions at the appropriate prorated amount. Alderman Norris made a motion to approve. Alderman Butts seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye.

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S COMMENTS

Alderman Butts suggested that we post on our website and Facebook page the dates that we will be treating the park, a link to the product and allow for feedback. Alderman Ross asked if we can also put the day that the park will be treated on Textatser so citizens can determine if they want to be at the park during the treatment process.

Mayor Box stated that March 31st bids will be open for the street projects.



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ADJOURN

- Alderman Butts moved to adjourn. Alderman Jones seconded the motion. All Aldermen voted aye. Adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Darrel Box, Mayor

Attest

Joe Bobadilla, City Administrator/Clerk