

Open Regular Meeting Minutes

August 22, 2022

6:00pm at 303 East Station Drive Sturgeon Mo 65284

Mayor Steve Crosswhite will now lead the pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Mayor Steve Crosswhite- yes

Alderman Janice Butler – yes

Alderman Seth Truesdell - yes

Alderman David Day- yes

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson- yes

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called the meeting to order:

The Mayor will now open the Public Hearing regarding

CITY OF STURGEON
PUBLIC HEARING TO SET TAX LEVY

A public hearing will be held during a Regular Board Meeting with the Board of Alderman of the City of Sturgeon on Monday August 22, 2022 at 6:00 PM at the Sturgeon City Hall, 303 Station Drive, Sturgeon, Missouri. On the proposed property tax rate for general revenue purposes on real estate, personal property and other tangible property in the City of Sturgeon, Missouri, to be set by the Sturgeon Board of Aldermen for the year 2022.

PROPERTY CLASSIFICATIONS
AND ASSESSED VALUATIONS

	<u>2021 (FINAL)</u>	<u>2022 (PRELIMINARY)</u>
All Real Estate	6,784,277	7,246,532
Personal Property	2,134,168	2,826,501
Railroad & Utilities (State Assessed-Real Estate And Personal Property)	1,123,316	745,666
Total Assessed Value	10,041,761	10,818,699

The proposed 2022 Property Tax Levy Tax Rate per \$100 of assessed valuation based on preliminary assessed valuations available: General Revenue \$0.5336.

Revenue budgeted for 2022-2023 from 2022 property tax as set forth in the 2022-2023 budget of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri (calculated by use of \$0.5161 property tax rate and final 2021 assessed valuations): \$51,825.53.

Total revenue now anticipated for 2022-2023 to be realized from proposed 2022 property tax levy of \$ 0.5336 using the above 2022 preliminary assessed valuations: \$57,728.58.

The above anticipated 2022 property tax revenue includes estimated \$2,423.62 increased property tax revenue coming from an increase in 2022 assessed valuation as a result of new construction and improvements in the City of Sturgeon, Missouri.

The above anticipated 2022 property tax revenue also includes estimated \$776,938.00 increased property tax revenue coming from an increase in 2022 assessed valuation as a result of property reassessment in the City of Sturgeon, Missouri which pertains to a permitted increase for inflationary assessment growth, being 0.7801% increase property tax revenue.

At this time Mayor Steve Crosswhite asked if there were questions, comments or concerns?

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion to approve the proposed 2022 property tax levy tax rate per \$100.00 of assessed valuation based on preliminary assessed valuations available: General Revenue \$0.5336.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to approve the proposed 2022 property tax levy tax rate per \$100.00 of assessed valuation based on preliminary assessed valuations available: General Revenue \$0.5336. The motion was seconded by Alderman Janice Butler with four in favor.

The Public hearing is now over:

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion for the first reading of Bill number 08-22-2022 by title only.

Alderman Janice Butler moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022 be given its first reading by title only seconded by Alderman _____ with _____ in favor

THIS MOTION DIED FOR LACK OF A SECOND

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion for the first reading of Bill number 08-22-2022-1 by title only.

Alderman Seth Truesdell moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-1 be given its first reading by title only seconded by Alderman Kevin Abrahamson with four in favor.

Mayor Steve Crosswhite reads Bill number 08-22-2022-1 for the first time by title only.

Bill No 08-22-2022-1 An Ordinance Vacating Certain Streets and Alleys Located within Sturgeon, Missouri

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion for Bill No 08-22-2022-1 be given its second reading.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-1 be given its second reading by title only seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

Mayor Steve Crosswhite reads Bill No 08-22-2022-1 for the second time.

Bill No 08-22-2022-1 An Ordinance Vacating Certain Streets and Alleys Located within Sturgeon, Missouri.

City Clerk Donna Tracy moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-1 be passed and adopted by roll call vote.

Alderman Janice Butler – yes

Alderman David Day - yes

Alderman Seth Truesdell - yes

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson-yes

City Clerk Donna Tracy moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-1 shall now be Ordinance Number 947.

**AN ORDINANCE VACATING CERTAIN STREETS AND ALLEYS LOCATED
WITHIN STURGEON, MISSOURI**

WHEREAS, pursuant to RSMo. Section 88.673 the Board of Aldermen of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri may when it deems it expedient vacate streets and alleys; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgeon, Missouri, desires to vacate those the alley as described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF STURGEON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The above surface, surface and sub-surface rights of vehicle and pedestrian travel, between the following rights-of way:

The remaining alley of Block Sixteen (16) of the Original Town, now the City of Sturgeon, Boone County, Missouri
is, upon the conditions hereinafter set out, vacated.

SECTION 2. The same shall revert to the owners of the adjacent lots.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk is hereby directed to record a certified copy of this Ordinance in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Boone County, Missouri.

SECTION 4. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

SECTION 5. That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion for the first reading of Bill number 08-22-2022-2 by title only.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-2 be given its first reading by title only seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Mayor Steve Crosswhite reads Bill number 08-22-2022-2 for the first time by title only.

Bill No 08-22-2022-2 An Ordinance fixing the compensation of the officers and employees of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri

Mayor Steve Crosswhite called for a motion for Bill No 08-22-2022-2 be given its seconded reading.

Alderman David Day moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-2 be given its second reading by title only seconded by Alderman Kevin Abrahamson with four in favor.

Mayor Steve Crosswhite reads Bill No 08-22-2022-2 for the second time.

Bill No 08-22-2022-2 An Ordinance Fixing the Compensation of the Officers and employees of the Sturgeon, Missouri.

City Clerk Donna Tracy moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-2 be passed and adopted by roll call vote.

Alderman Janice Butler – yes

Alderman David Day - yes

Alderman Seth Truesdell - yes

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson- yes

City Clerk Donna Tracy moved that Bill Number 08-22-2022-2 shall now be Ordinance Number 948.

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE COMPENSATION OF THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF STRUGEON, MISSOURI

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgeon City Code Section 115.060 requires the Board of Aldermen of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri to fix the compensation of all officers and employees of the City by ordinance, and

WHEREAS, the City of Sturgeon, Missouri desires to fix the compensation of its maintenance employee and police officer.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF STURGEON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The compensation of the following officers and/or employees of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri shall be as follows:

- Maintenance Employee: \$18.50 per hour, and
- Police Officer: \$20.00 per hour.
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SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

READ TWO TIMES AND PASSED by the Board of Aldermen of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri this 22nd day of August, 2022.

THIS ORDINANCE APPROVED by the Mayor of the City of Sturgeon, Missouri this 22nd day of August, 2022.

Guest: Cheri Toalson-Reisch did present the City of Sturgeon with six new USA Flags for downtown Sturgeon light poles. She also gave the City a Missouri Flag and one USA Flag to fly at City Hall. Cheri also told the Mayor and Council if they need a letter of support be sure and let her know she will be glad to help out.

Mayor Crosswhite did ask to amend the agenda to allow Connie Lepard speak to the group. Alderman David Day made a motion to amend the agenda. The Motion was seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

Connie Lepard did indeed speak to the group she is running for Presiding Commissioner in Boone County. She just wanted to let everyone know who she was and she will be on the ballot.

Mayor and Council need to open/review/score/interview-Request for Qualifications (RFQ) Professional Engineering Services-MO DNR Clean Water Engineering Grant. McClure Engineering is the only one who submitted an RFQ. Gary Cunningham came to the meeting to represent McClure Engineering.

All the Alderman did fill out their score sheet once all the sheets were handed in. The Mayor called for a motion to accept McClure Engineering as the engineer firm.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to accept McClure Engineering as the engineer firm. The motion was second by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

The City Attorney said at the next meeting there should be a contract and at that point an Ordinance will be drawn up the City should be able to move forward.

Maintenance Department Derek Raps talk to the Council about commercial grade mowers. These are 60-inch mowers Gravely, John Deere, Scag, Husqvarna after much discussion. It was agreed to get the commercial mower.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to purchase the gravely zero turn mower. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

The Alderman would like a price on different side by sides it needs to come with a snow blade and a sprayer. It also needs to be heavy duty high quality need to make sure it is commercial grade.

Stump grinder if this is in budget just get it done do not bring to the Council.

Mo Dot only mows Route V Route CC three times a year. Are people required to mow to the edge of the street? After much discussion the City can force the Ordinance on a State Easement. It is still belonging to this person just have to follow the steps.

- (1.) Send the warning letter
- (2.) Violation Ordinance
- (3.) Abatement
- (4.) The City will mow it for you and then charge you for mowing it.

The Board is in Support of Ordinance letters

Fair Grounds Board: none

Park and Tree Board: Ira Robinson is now the Chair person. Mayor would like to nominate Mary Ann Jay to be on the Park and Tree Board. Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to nominate Mary Ann Jay. The motion was seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

Welcome Mary Ann Jay to the park board.

The greatest need is to get the bathrooms fixed up and running. A sign said it closes at 10:00pm

Cemetery Committee: none

Planning & Zoning Commission: Mike Jacoby did ask about the ordinance on signs also ask about the developer agreement. City Attorney said both are still in the works. He does agree the private stables needs to be out of zoning. He is going to put it at the end of the livestock ordinance.

Alderman Seth Truesdell made a motion to appoint Scott Smith to the P&Z board. The motion was seconded by Kevin Abrahamson with four in favor.

Recreation Center Board: Cheryl Ritchie did say they got a new TV the old one did quit.

Infrastructure Committee- Zane Arends spoke he wants to be kept informed as far as the Carmichael's goes. Mike Jacoby said as soon as they turn in a plat, he will let the infrastructure committee know. They need to find out the best place to put in the sewer.

Mark Ballenger came to ask the Mayor and Council to get rid of that old trailer. When the demo crew comes to town the City wants them to go ahead and tear down the trailer.

Storm water grant is almost ready to go; Lincoln Brown has to send out a few more letters.

The Demo project is almost done just waiting on a few more things then it is ready to go.

Tree City if the City of Sturgeon wants to be Tree City USA we must fill out some paperwork.

Trees the Mayor is asking about trees whose tree is it, who pays to cut it down?

After much discussion looking over the Ordinance it was decided if the tree is on your property and even though it goes on the City's right away the owner must take care of this tree.

What about the burn pile are we keeping it, changing the location of the burn pile or shutting it down. **After much discussion it was thought it best to shut the burn**

pile down. Burn what is there and be done with it get the culvert rock get it out of there. (This is the new location)

Cell phones for mayor / employees airlink 99.96 same phone mobile app. Verizon get three phones for \$119 a month. Alderman Seth Truesdell made a motion to pursue looking for a cell phone for the City employee. Sprint and us cellular (motion died)

Update progress on acquiring chrome books for board members/city clerk does the board want the chrome books. Yes, do order the chrome books.

Discuss how to set aside any unused funds from our FY21- 22 budget. Mayor said they are waiting on the Williams Keepers report. Mayor wants all the board members to meet and plan on where to spend all this extra money.

Review our 8/17/22 meeting with Commissioner Janet Thompson. Would Boone County give the City more ARAP money she said it is negotiable.

Review and discuss our employee job descriptions for our City Clerk, Asst. City Clerk, Maintenance and Police. Everyone said the job descriptions looks really good.

Review the repair progress on the Ford Police Interceptor. The City went out for three bids S&D, Jim Butler and R&S. Alderman Seth Truesdell made a motion to have the Police Car worked on at R&S. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Review progress on mailing and processing nuisance ordinances since our 07/25/2022 board meeting. The Mayor sent out twenty different ordinances letters. One letter has been turned over to the City Attorney.

Should the BOA hold a special meeting to discuss and review Chapter 505- Dangerous Buildings? (Review 505.010,505.020,505.030 and 505.040)

Would you like to hold a special meeting to talk about dangerous buildings. Yes, they would as soon as the homes are torn down on the demo grant.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the Regular Open Meeting Minutes July 25, 2022.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to accept the Regular Open Meeting Minutes July 25, 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman Seth Truesdell with four in favor.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes August 10 and 16 2022.

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to accept the Special Meeting Minutes August 10 and 16 2022. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the monthly expenditures and to pay all bills prior to the next meeting.

Alderman Seth Truesdell made a motion to approve the monthly expenditures and to pay all bills prior to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Kevin Abrahamson with four in favor.

City Clerk Donna Tracy: Updates none

City Attorney Jackie Rodgers: Updates none

Mayor Steve Crosswhite: Would like to remind everyone on September 6, 2022 at the City Office at 3:30pm. The Regional Economic Development Communities will hold a special meeting everyone is welcome to attend.

Alderman David Day: Updates none

Alderman Janice Butler: Updates none

Alderman Seth Truesdell: Updates none

Alderman Kevin Abrahamson: Updates none

Mayor called for a motion to approve the July 25, 2022 Closed meeting minutes. Alderman Kevin Abrahamson made a motion to approve the July 25, 2022 closed meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Alderman David Day with four in favor.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Alderman Kevin Abrahamson seconded by Seth Truesdell with all four in favor.

Meeting Ended: 8:35pm

Minutes Approved on: September 26, 2022

ATTEST:

City Clerk Donna Tracy

Mayor Steve Crosswhite

The news media may obtain copies of this notice by contacting:

Donna Tracy, City Clerk 303 E Station Dr. Sturgeon Missouri 65284

