Minutes August 5, 2024

Town of Augusta, Missouri

Dan Kemner Building

**Trustees Present**:

Joe Buchheit Chairman (not present)

Ellen Knoernschild Treasurer

Laura Miller Clerk

Randal Oaks Public Works

Rick Barton Secretary/Collector/Notary

**Citizens Present**: 11

Town Board meeting called to order at 6:30pm

1. **Minutes**: 7/1/2024

 1.1 Motion made by Rick Barton to approve the 7/1/2024 Minutes w/corrections to be made as presented.

 1.2 Seconded by Ellen Knoernschild and approved.

2. **Treasurer’s and Budget Report**: 7/31/2024

 2.1 Motion made by Rick Barton to accept the Treasurer’s and Budget Report for 7/31/2024 as presented.

2.2 Seconded by Laura Miller and approved.

3. **Checks**: 12556 - 12589

 3.1 Motion made by Rick Barton to approve checks 12556 – 12589 with the exception of voided check 12572 as written.

 3.2 Seconded by Laura Miller and approved.

4. **Collector’s Report**:

 4.1 Eff 7/152024 $33.16 June monthly collections.

 4.2 ck 1030 $500 C.U.P c2024-02 5619 5TH St

 4.3 ck 1063 $50 L.U.P lot 3 Jim Reed

5. **Public Works**:

 5.1 Town Park update rescheduled for 8/12 to start the trenching and electric. Permits are in order with St Charles County.

 5.2 Hopefully we will have the Gazebo by the Harvest Festival but not guaranteed it will be finished do to other circumstances.

 5.3 Volunteers need for Gazebo installation.

 5.4 2 delays on the sidewalk repair due to the weather but the repairs have been completed.

 5.5 Storm drain issue fixed at River Bluff Ct.

 6.6 Levy Bridge repaired for a cost of $1000 for the rock.

 6.7 Railroad Street drain repair to be done by St Charles County water district at no charge.

 6.8 Motion made by Rick Barton to approve up to $1000 for the Levy repair at Public St.

 6.9 Seconded by Laura Miller and approved.

**Committee Reports:**

6. **Zoning and Planning:**

 6.1 C.U.P Wine Country Inn Short Term Rental

 6.2 Zoning Meeting for 5619 5Th St

 6.3 Erratic lighting on streets at River Bluff

 6.4 L.U.P 2024-04 Jim Reed

7. **Chamber of Commerce:**

 **7.1 8/23 Movie night “Arthur the King”**

 **7.2 September Harvest Festival in Prep**

 **7.3 Christmas Walk Prep underway.**

 **7.4 Yoga Bliss at the Halcyon**

8. **Farm Report**:

 8.1Water damage to the Farm fields

9. **Museum Report**:

 9.1 Open House 8/4

 9.2 Multiple trees at the Town Park with broken branches.

 9.3 Hinges on Museum shutters temporarily fixed.

10. **Tree Committee Report**: No Report

11. **Old Business**:

11.1 No Updates

12. **New Business**:

 12.1 Stop sign in need of maintenance.

 12.2 Concerns about the leaning flag pole.

13. **Open to Citizens:**

 13.1 Ginny Messei received her GMRS License. Ginny also presented Frequency charts and diagrams for Emergency Preparedness.

14. **Gay Eskew Report:**

 14.1AUGUSTA POSTCARDS

A team of advisors will make the selections for the final 4.  The postcards' debut will be at the Harvest Festival on September 21.

Any suggestions for information written on the back side of the photo?

Further announcements will be made at the September town board meeting and the GACC meetings; and on Augusta social media sites, Facebook posts, and  the Town website.  Let's talk about the upcoming Augusta postcards to those we normally converse with. We want the Town of Augusta presented to the world, or at least the local St. Louis area and visitors, as the special place that we all know and love.

"BEST OF AUGUSTA" PHOTO CONTEST FOR SEPTEMBER for Adults and Teens

This will focus on fall scenes and events, especially the Harvest Festival September 20-21.  The BCC has an article in the August issue about the contest.  The September issue will also contain a press release.  One prize includes a gift certificate from Augusta Winery for a guided tasting party of their award-winning wines for up to 10 people with a specially curated charcuterie board and a 90 minute session with a designated wine steward.  The other prize is a $25.00 cash/check from the Town Board.  Get your cameras out for the opportunity to win one of these prizes.       The Kids 12 & under "Best of Augusta" Photo Contest will be held once again in October.

TOWN OF AUGUSTA WEBSITE

Check out  Photo Contest pages updates.  Looking at how to revamp the various pages of the website.

Respectfully submitted,

Gay Eskew

15. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm. Next meeting 9/9/2024 at 6:30pm

**Respectfully Submitted:**

Richard J. Barton

Secretary/Collector/Notary