

The regular meeting of the Board of Aldermen was held on Monday, October 5, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Municipal Building.

The following members of the Governing Body were present:

Alderman: Danny Ritchie  
Alderman: Terry Yount  
Alderman: Allen Reed  
Alderman: Benny Orders

The following members of the Governing Body were absent:

Mayor: Richard Propst

Others present:

Manager: Matt Settlemyer  
Attorney: Redmond Dill  
Town Clerk: Sherry Dula

Mayor ProTem Terry Yount presided over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Propst.

Alderman Ritchie opened the meeting with prayer.

**Approval of minutes** - The Council approved the previous minutes for the month of September by a motion from Alderman Reed, seconded by Alderman Orders and the vote was unanimous.

**Public Hearing to Amend Drexel Zoning Ordinance** - A public hearing was called at 7:04 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the proposed amendment to the zoning ordinance. The amendment will prohibit certain types of accessory structures in Residential Districts. The Council discussed the proposed amendment and agreed with the exception of one change. The change will state that in residential districts, no more than two (2) accessory buildings with a combined total floor area of no more than 350 square feet will be permitted per lot. The public hearing was closed at 7:27 p.m.

**Amendment to Drexel Zoning Ordinance** - The Council voted unanimously to adopt the amendment to the Drexel Zoning Ordinance including the changes discussed in public hearing by a motion from Alderman Ritchie, seconded by Alderman Reed. A copy of the ordinance is attached as part of the minutes.

**Fire Truck Bids** – Manager Settlemyer discussed fire truck bids that were opened today. After careful review by Chief Baker of the specs for each bid, the Manager will come back with their findings for the November meeting.

**Departmental Reports** - The Council reviewed the Financial and Police reports for the month of September, 2009. A copy of each report is attached as part of the minutes.

**Miscellaneous** –

- Manager Settlemyer discussed our current bond debt of \$145,000. He suggested that the Council think about paying this off to save the town approximately \$30,000 over the next 8 years.
- Manager Settlemyer stated that he has started getting quotes on taking up the cement where the downtown park will be and do some landscaping along with sowing grass. Community Club is planning to meet to dissolve the club and they currently have money in savings. He would like to suggest they donate that toward the downtown park when they disband.

**Adjournment** - With no further business to discuss, the Council adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m. upon a motion from Alderman Ritchie, seconded by Alderman Reed.