

Alderman Roettger joined the meeting at this time.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

REPORTS

Chief Silvernail

Mayor Wilcox asked Chief Silvernail how things were going in the Fire Department, asked if there were any surprises at the start of the new year and asked if there was any new information the Board should know.

Chief Silvernail stated that things were going well so far noting that the Fire Assistant Chief and he had met with all three shifts and did training together on Monday. Chief Silvernail stated that they were coordinating the administrative roles and transfer work to our respective offices. Chief Silvernail stated that he would be working a little more with Mr. Lawrence to coordinate the Fire Department budgeting and finances going forward. Chief Silvernail stated that there was an issue regarding COVID and resolved that, added a new employee who would start on Monday, and learned that there were a few firefighters out on injury leave, but added that he had ‘hit the ground running’ and was pleased with how the two departments had reacted with each other and thought things would work out well.

Chief Silvernail stated that Dispatch services were working out well adding that Glendale residents seemed to like how it was working. Chief Silvernail stated that he looked forward to hearing more from residents, noting that the transition would be a learning curve but planned to put a lot of time into the services. Chief Silvernail noted that Clint Fulliam, was back on as a Firefighter in Glendale.

Alderman Roettger stated that Firefighter/EMT Clint Fulliam had been a Glendale Firefighter in the past and was now back in the department adding that at the time of his departure, the City did not want to lose him.

Chief Silvernail stated that FF/EMT Fulliam would work well adding that he would be working both his current job and the crew position in Glendale adding that his primary employer thought it would all work well.

Chief Jeff Beaton

Chief Beaton stated that everything was going well in the Police Department, noting that all of the Police Officers were healthy, adding that the department was down one employee.

Chief Beaton reported that he had completed his tenure and duties as Chairman of the St. Louis Area Police Chief Association noting that it was a great experience. Chief Doug Schaeffer from Ballwin would be taking over the duties starting in 2021. Chief Beaton stated that he would be working on department accreditation this year with preliminary approval to be completed this year and complete accreditation later.

Chief Beaton reported that there was a major incident reported at Glendale Chrysler which included the attempted theft of a used Chrysler Hellcat valued at \$85,000 new . The alleged perpetrators were apprehended immediately with the help of Kirkwood and Warson Woods. It was determined that the parties rented a truck and carrier van to transport the vehicle from the lot. Chief Beaton also reported that car clauhters had been caught who had been burglarizing vehicles in Oakland but who had wandered into Glendale. A resident contacted the police in the early morning where they were apprehended.

Ben DeClue

Mr. DeClue reported that there was not much to report other than he would catchup with the office work following his extended leave.

Joanne Carr

None.

Alderman Roettger

Alderman Roettger stated that he reiterated all that was said about the Berry Road project noting that Mr. Jones had worked very closely with the Trustees on Clif Side adding that Mr. Jones did a great job with adjusting the punch list for the neighbors.

Alderman Roettger thanked Alderwoman Cushing for taking the lead with the Algonquin situation and their neighbor.

Alderman Roettger asked that the next holiday get published in advance on social media to include the Republic Service schedule. It was noted that the information was listed on the website.

Alderman Roettger reported that Alderman John Schuster was not filing for Alderman in the upcoming election noting that Alderman Schuster mentored Alderman Nauman and himself after joining the Board and appreciated all his assistance. Alderman Roettger stated that Alderman Schuster would be greatly missed.

Alderman Vitale

Alderwoman Vitale seconded everything that Alderwoman Lane stated about Mr. Jones and thanked everyone who was involved in getting the project completed. Alderwoman Vitale stated that the project reflected well on our community.

Alderman Lane

Alderwoman Lane commended Mr. Jones for the work completed on the Berry Road Sidewalk project noting that the sidewalks were wide, and the retaining walls were fantastic. Alderwoman Lane asked that a story be included in the next newsletter which would include a photo of the residents who were inconvenienced by the project. Alderwoman Lane also stated that Mr. Jones' report about the final details was written well as usual adding that homeowners would be installing following the project completion.

Mr. DeClue noted that two different residents would be putting up new fences following the completion of the project.

Alderwoman Lane asked that a call go out to Webster Groves or DePeres related to ecommerce to see who might be looking at a use tax to see where Glendale could go with it.

Mayor Wilcox stated that the issue had been on Jefferson City's list but was not going anywhere.

Mr. Hetlage stated that there were no updates from the State but would follow-up.

Alderman Capshaw Cushing

Alderwoman Cushing reported that an email was received from a resident concerned and having trouble with delivery trucks exiting Algonquin Golf Club. Mr. Jones brought people in to assist with the issue. Alderman Roettger was also aware of the situation.

Alderman Nauman

Alderman Nauman reported that he did not know that the City was missing staff and Board turnover and suggested that the Board invite Department heads to upcoming Board meetings for their reports on a regular basis.

Mayor Wilcox stated that police discussions would be part of the upcoming closed session.

Mr. DeClue noted that there was a retirement in the Fire Department adding that following the COVID outbreak the City will invite all the retirees back for proclamations. Mr. DeClue stated that normally all this information would have been made public from the Mayor in chambers; however, the City still needs to communicate these things. Mr. DeClue suggested once a month to begin with for each department head and then quarterly going forward.

Alderman Nauman stated that would work adding that the Board had been working hard on big issues during the last year(s) and daily issues could be discussed again going forward.

Alderman Schuster

None

Jim Hetlage

None

Mayor Wilcox

Mayor Wilcox reported that last year, the Board had a strategic planning session in Brentwood noting that everything on the list was accomplished in 2020 including the move to LAGERS, the Pension Plan change, the Dispatch move and the Fire leadership change. Mayor Wilcox stated that Alderwoman Cushing and Alderwoman Vitale had not been on the Board at that time and asked that another meeting should be scheduled before Alderman Schuster leaves the Board adding that the Board and Mr. DeClue could talk about what work would be important going forward. It was noted that an early Spring meeting would be good.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Alderman Nauman moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Alderman Schuster seconded the motion. There being no further questions or discussion, Mayor Wilcox called for a vote:

Ayes: Alderman Roettger, Alderman Nauman, Alderwoman Vitale
Alderwoman Lane, Alderman Schuster, Alderwoman Capshaw Cushing

Nays: None

Not Present:

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Roettger moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Lane. The motion was unanimously approved.

These minutes are approved as submitted this 1st day of February 2021.

Joanne Carr
Deputy City Clerk