

**Archie Board of Aldermen
Regular Meeting
February 10, 2025**

Members Present: Les Whiteside, Mark Houchen, Branden Molzahn, Scott Kendrick
ABSENT: Tony Sallee

Others Present: April Clark, Kristen Morrow, Allan Lough, Aaron Byous, Shannon Wymore, Kendall Wymore, Randy Grimes, Aaron Mishou, Jay Aber, Teresa Ford

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Whiteside called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was then said.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Alderman Kendrick made the motion to approve the minutes for January with a second from Alderman Houchen.

The motion passed with the vote Houchen-yes, Kendrick-yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Alderman Kendrick made the motion to approve the bills with a second from Alderman Molzahn. The motion passed with the vote, Houchen-yes, Kendrick -yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS- None

ELECTED OFFICIAL'S /DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Chief Zaharsky Police – Absent – Report submitted in writing

Fire – Absent – No Report Submitted

Alderman Kendrick -Water - River pump is in. Water tower leak has been patched. Rick is currently sizing a generator for water plant. New line replacement on Missouri Street is getting closer to being completed.

Alderman Sallee -Streets-Absent – Durapatcher was purchased along with a trailer.

City Administrator Clark -Submitted in writing. 4-H group is volunteering to clean up the Hodges Park in May as their service project. We will get in touch with 4-H leaders and make sure we have cans emptied and provide them with large bags before they begin. New employee started today in the Street Department. The city welcomes Louis Metcalf.

Alderman Houchen -P&Z-On the agenda for new business.

Alderman Molzahn-Parks- On agenda under new business

NEW BUSINESS-

RZ-2025-1: Rezoning of Austin Kusgen for 104 W. Chestnut, from R-1 (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (General Business Commercial)- tabled from the 1/14/25 meeting:

Mr. Kusgen, the owner of the property, is going in a different direction with this property. The Rezoning was again reviewed and was not approved.

Alderman Houchen made the motion to decline the rezoning of the property.

Alderman Kendrick made the second.

Rezoning was declined with a vote of Houchen-yes, Kendrick -yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

Public Hearing for the Voluntary Annexation of Butcher Road from the North city limit line to Pine Street:

Citizen Wymore is concerned about the cost of maintenance and inquired if semi-trucks would be allowed to use this road.

Aldermen Kendrick and Houchen will speak to Sutton's regarding this concern.

Citizen Wymore also commented on the state of the roadway. Alderman Houchen said the County did a double chip and seal on the street. Tim and travel over it will settle the gravel into the chip and seal.

Randall Grimes was concerned about the culvert at the corner of A Highway and Butcher Road on the south side. Alderman Houchen said he would take a look.

Public Hearing closed at 7:57 p.m.

Alderman Kendrick made a motion to accept the Voluntary Annexation of Butcher Road

Alderman Houchen made the second.

The Annexation passed with the vote Houchen-yes, Kendrick -yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

Approval of Park Fence Bids:

Alderman Molzahn presented bids for new fencing at the park. Two companies submitted bids. KB Pipe and Fence was the bid the Park Board had agreed on. Total bid price was \$5811.

Alderman Molzahn did include an additional bid to upgrade to black fencing which increased the price to \$7900.

The Board of Alderman discussed and thought the cohesive look of black fencing would be a good upgrade since the fencing put in last year was also black.

Alderman Kendrick made a motion to accept the bid from KB Pipe and Fence if they would be able to bring the price to \$7500 and the city staff would prepare the area and pull the old fencing.

Alderman Houchen made the second.

The motion passed with a vote of Houchen-yes, Kendrick -yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

DISCUSSION

Aaron Byous asked the Board to review his water bill. Mr. Byous had pipes freeze during the cold spell causing over 500,000 gallons of water to go through his meter. The Board of Alderman has agreed on a discount totaling a credit of \$3515.80 towards sewer, \$5112.39 towards water and removed the late fee \$1028.27.

A payment agreement will be sent to Mr. Byous for a monthly payment of \$229.17 monthly for the next 24 months to get this paid. This agreement does not include any current or future bills.

Safe Streets 4 All Grant Update presented by Jay Aber with HDR Engineering.

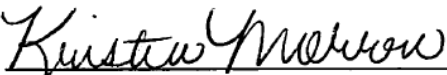
Lee Baer with Merg Midwest Engineering will be working with HDR to get started on the Safety Action Plan. They will be working with MoDOT to get information such as crash data and will work to help the City of Archie update policies and enforcements. They will also conduct a safety audit and help with truck routing and signage.

Alderman Kendrick made a motion to go into executive session at 8:38 p.m. for (C) HIRING, FIRING, DISCIPLINING, OR PROMOTING EMPLOYEES (610.021 (3) RSMo). Alderman Houchen made the second. The motion passed with a vote of Houchen-yes, Kendrick-yes, Molzahn-yes, Sallee-absent.

8:59 p.m. Out of executive session

Administrator Clark has asked for Budget Work Sessions this year prior to approving the City's annual budget. Work Sessions are scheduled for April 28th at 6:30 p.m. and May 27th at 6:30 p.m. All Department Heads will be expected to attend.

9:11 p.m. Alderman Kendrick made the motion to adjourn.
Alderman Houchen made the second. The motion passed.
The meeting was adjourned 9:11 p.m.



Kristen Morrow, City Clerk