### CITY OF PORTAGEVILLE, MO BUDGET MEETING March 18, 2024

The Portageville City Council met in special budget session Monday, March 18, 2024 at City Hall, 301 East Main Street, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Mayor Walker called the meeting to order. The following members of the Board of Aldermen were in attendance:

| Mayor Walker          | Present |
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| Alderman Johnson      | Present |
| Alderman Adams        | Present |
| Alderman Estes        | Present |
| Alderman Hollingshead | Present |

Also present were the following:

Rachel Wrather, City Clerk Sam Tillman, City Accountant

Mayor Walker asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Motion was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Hollingshead. All members voted in favor.

The proposed draft budget for the May 1, 2024 to April 30, 2025 fiscal year was reviewed and discussed.

### Administration Department-

EXPENSES- Additional funds were added Repairs & Maintenance Building to bring the total to \$15,000.00 so new indoor/outdoor carpet could be purchased.

#### Police Department-

Several ideas were discussed in an effort to cut costs. Alderman Hollingshead will discuss the assistant chief being on shift, BDU vs Uniforms and searching for a grant for funding a K9 vehicle.

The following changes were proposed for fiscal year 2025:

A City-wide hiring freeze was discussed meaning that if an employee leaves the City of Portageville, the Board of Alderman would have to approve advertising for a replacement for the position. Motion to draft the proposal for a city-wide hiring freeze was made by Alderman Hollingshead. Alderman Johnson seconded. All members voted in favor.

An employee purchasing limit was discussed. No employee would be allowed to make any purchases without a supervisor's approval. The supervisor would only be allowed to spend or approve spending for purchases up to \$100.00 without approval. For any purchase between \$101.00 - \$500.00, approval from the Committee Chairman or Co-Chairman would be required before the purchase can be made. Any purchase greater than \$500.00 would have to be presented to the Board of Alderman during a Board Meeting for approval. Motion to draft the proposal was made by Alderman Hollingshead. Alderman Johnson seconded. All members voted in favor.

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Discussion was held over removing GPS Fleet devices and cancelling service for all departments except for the Police department. Motion to draft the proposal was made by Alderman Johnson. Alderman Estes seconded. All members voted in favor.

Discussion was held over gas expenses. It was decided that all departments except for the police and fire would be required to have two employees in one vehicle and when signing gas tickets employees would be required to log mileage and truck identifying number. Motion was made by Alderman Estes. Alderman Hollingshead seconded. All members voted in favor.

All proposals will be drafted by the April 2024 meeting for final approval. After approval, a copy will be distributed to the Supervisors and employees.

Mayor Walker called for the meeting to adjourn at 6:20 p.m.

Rachel Wrather, City Clerk

Dennis R. Walker II, Mayor

# ORDINANCE NO. 1347

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN IMPEACHMENT PROCEDURE FOR THE REMOVAL OF ELECTED OFFICERS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF PORTAGEVILLE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS, TO-WIT:

SECTION I: THE PROCEDURE FOR THE IMPEACHMENT OF ELECTED OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF PORTAGEVILLE SHALL BE AS FOLLOWS:

## SECTION ONE. REMOVAL OF OFFICERS.

## <u>A.</u>

The Mayor may, with the consent of a majority of all the members elected to the Board of Aldermen, remove from office, for cause shown, any elective officer of the City, such officer being first given opportunity, together with his/her witnesses, to be heard before the Board of Aldermen sitting as a Board of Impeachment. Any elective officer, including the Mayor, may in like manner, for cause shown, be removed from office by a two-thirds vote of all members elected to the Board of Aldermen, independently of the Mayor's approval or recommendation. The Mayor may, with the consent of a majority of all the members elected to the Board of Aldermen, remove from office any appointive officer of the City at will, and any such appointive officer may be so removed by a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the Board of Aldermen, independently of the Mayor's approval recommendation. The Board of Aldermen may pass ordinances regulating the manner of Impeachments and removals.

# B.

Nothing in this Section shall be construed to authorize the Mayor, with the consent of the majority of all the members elected to the Board of Aldermen, or the Board of Aldermen by a two-thirds vote of all its members, to remove or discharge any chief, as that term is defined in Section 106.273, RSMo.

## <u>C.</u>

If a member of a committee, commission or board, excluding those elected officials referenced in Subsections (A) or (B) above, shall fail to attend three (3) consecutive meetings of which the member has been duly notified, such absences shall be deemed to be the member's resignation,