

**CITY OF FULTON COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, AUGUST 8, 2023**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street.

Present and presiding were: Mayor Steve Myers; Courtney L. Doyle, Director of Administration; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. Christine Finnell, Deputy City Clerk The meeting was called to order by Mayor Myers at 7:01 p.m. Roll call was noted by the Deputy City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Alan Combs; Bill Hinchie; Brad Leuther; Mary Rehkla; and Bob Washington. Absent were Lauren Nelson; Valerie Sebacher; and Jeff Stone.

Also present were: Dustin Dougherty, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Tara O'Shea, Assistant Parks & Recreation Director; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Richard Elsenrath, Assistant City Engineer; Michael Shine, Audio/Video; Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk; and many visitors.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Rev. Williamson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

The following items were distributed to each member of the City Council for review and study as a part of their council packet. Mayor Myers presented each item and stated the Council may choose to remove any item from the Consent Agenda for discussion at this time.

- a. Approval of the annual Callaway County CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday October 8, 2023 at 1:30 p.m..

Motion was offered by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to approve the items on the Consent Agenda, as presented. Motion carried with five members of the Council voting in favor, three absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Kristina Bright and Blaine Pestle from Westminster College are seeking permission for the Brick Blast event on Thursday, September 21, 2023 from 1:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. They are requesting cones, barricades, and trash cans.

Motion was offered by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilman Leuther to approve the Brick Blast event on Thursday, September 21, 2023. Motion carried with five members of the council voting in favor, three absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

- b. Lindsey Pace-Snook and Cole Snook's request to designate 902 Court Street as a "Fulton Historic Property".

Motion was offered by Mayor Myers and Seconded by Councilman Combs to approve the designation of 902 Court Street as Fulton Historic Property. Motion carried with five members of the council voting in favor, three absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

Crystal Aulbur, President of the City of Fulton Historic Preservation Commission, presented The Pace-Snook family with a house plaque.

- c. Kathy Nielson, Y.M.C.A. Sports Director, requests permission to sell concessions at the Morgan Soccer Park on August 26, 2023 from 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for a Football Jamboree.

Due to his membership on the YMCA board, Councilman Leuther stated he would need to recuse himself from this vote. Courtney L. Doyle, Director of Administration, said since there aren't enough council members present to hold a vote, the city could handle this internally if the present councilmembers agree. All were in favor.

COUNCILMEMBER CONCERNS:

Councilman Hinchie wanted to thank Darrell Dunlap and all the City of Fulton Utility workers, along with the Police and Fire for Supporting the City so safely and efficiently with the recent dangerous storms and clean up.

Councilwoman Sebacher was absent.

Councilman Stone was absent.

Councilwoman Rehklau shared her thanks to all first responders.

Councilman Leuther wanted to reiterate what Councilman Hinchie stated and added his thanks to the city's response to the fire on Reed Street.

Councilman Combs stated that it takes a lot of work to clean up after these storms, and wanted to recognize those that do this work.

Councilman Washington stated he was looking at the raised sidewalks on Westminster Street, and wanted to thank the Street Department for putting up cones and barriers. He asked if angled parking on Court Street was feasible. Richard Elsenrath, Assistant City Engineer, responded that this had been considered and that if we made the alteration, we would only gain one parking space and create a lot of dead space.

Councilwoman Nelson was absent.

Mayor Myers thanked everyone for all the well wishes for his recovery. He thanked Deputy Mayor Sabacher for filling in and doing such a great job.

RESOLUTIONS:

Councilman Combs presented Resolution No. 3504 for adoption.

Resolution 3504: SHSP Local Crime Prevention Grant

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to make application and sign all necessary documents in relation to the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Local Crime Prevention Grant to assist in the procurement of six Mobile Data Units for the City of Fulton Police Department, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilman Leather to adopt Resolution No. 3504 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with five members of the Council voting in favor and three members absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

Councilman Leather presented Resolution No. 3505 for adoption.

a. **Resolution 3505: NGDISM Grant**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to make application and sign all necessary documents in relation to the Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization (NGDISM) Grant to assist in the replacement of aging natural gas lines within the City of Fulton, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Leather and Seconded by Councilman Combs to adopt Resolution No. 3505 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with five members of the Council voting in favor and three members absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

Councilman Washington presented Resolution 3506 for adoption.

Resolution 3506: Leary Firefighter Foundation Grant

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to make application and sign all necessary documents in relation to the Leary Firefighter Foundation Grant to purchase a Skid Mount Water Pump and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to adopt Resolution No. 3506 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with five members of the Council voting in favor and three members absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

Councilman Hinchie presented Resolution 3507 for adoption.

Resolution 3507: Southwest Power Pool, Inc. Agreement

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to enter into an agreement with Southwest Power Pool, Inc. for Firm Point-to-Point Transmission services to be rendered, and establishing an effective date

Motion was offered by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilman Washington to adopt Resolution No. 3507 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with five members of the Council voting in favor and three members absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

Bill No. 1686 was presented for First Reading by Councilman Hinchie.

Bill No.1686: Tax Rate and Levying of Taxes

An Ordinance fixing the tax rate and levying taxes for the calendar year of 2023, on all taxable property in the City of Fulton, Missouri, at \$0.5271 for each One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) of the assessed valuation of said property and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Rehklau to place Bill No. 1686 for Second Reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. Motion carried with five members voting in favor, three absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone).

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

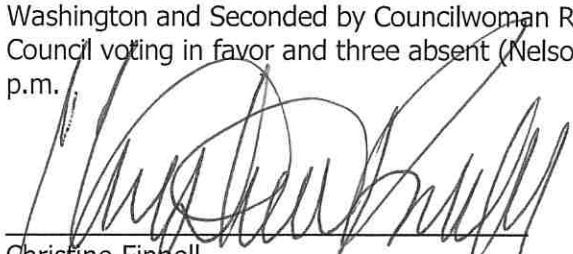
The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, August 22, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with the Work Session to begin at 6:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Motion was made by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to adjourn. With five members of the Council voting in favor and three absent (Nelson, Sebacher and Stone), meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.


Christine Finnell
Deputy City Clerk


Steve F. Myers
Mayor