

**CITY OF FULTON COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2023**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, November 14, 2023 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street.

Present and presiding were: Mayor Steve F. Myers; Courtney L. Doyle, Int. Director of Administration; Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Myers at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was noted by the City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Alan Combs; Bill Hinchie; Brad Leuther; Lauren Nelson; Mary Rehkla; Valerie Sebacher; Jeff Stone; and Bob Washington. Bob Washington was absent.

Also present were: Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Dustin Dougherty, Chief Financial Officer; Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Doris Stone, Deputy Clerk; Kala Young and Jeremy Polston, Audio/Video; and visitors.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Rev. Williamson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Appointment of Jay Hickman to the Public Safety Commission for a two-year term (exp. July 2025).

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none.

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There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was none.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman Hinchie – had no concerns to share this evening.

Councilwoman Sebacher expressed no concerns but expressed much gratitude for those who worked on the budget. She thanked the Mayor for allowing her to attend the Veterans Day ceremony at the middle school. Additionally, she mentioned that the Public Safety Commission will meet in the upcoming week.

Councilwoman Rehkla has no concerns, but expresses gratitude to those who worked countless hours on the budget.

Councilman Stone shared that the Historic Preservation Commission has a meeting scheduled for tomorrow. He gave thanks for the 2nd Street retaining wall project. In addition, he loved the decorations around town and couldn't wait to see the tree.

Councilman Leuther echoed appreciation for the budget. The Airport Advisory Board met earlier that evening and wanted to share that they loved and appreciated the courtesy. He said the airport is truly busy.

Councilman Combs had no concerns.

Councilwoman Nelson shared that the Public Utility Board has not met since their last meeting. Regarding Arrow street, she said she is concerned about the parking and asked for a review, specifically to move the "no parking sign." She thanked those who worked on the budget.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3515: State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program

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 and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) issued through the Missouri Department of Public Safety and the Office of Homeland Security.

Motion was made by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adopt Resolution 3515 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

Resolution No. 3516: Mid-Missouri Solid Waste District 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 Mid-Missouri Solid Waste Management District Grant to aid in the purchase of a new rear load trash truck for the City of Fulton Solid Waste Department.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to adopt Resolution 3516 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

Resolution No. 3517: IAFF Agreement Amendment

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents needed to amend the existing agreement with the Fulton Professional Firefighters Local 2945, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Nelson and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to adopt Resolution 3517 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

Bill No. 1693: 2024 Budget

An Ordinance adopting an official Budget and Capital Improvement Program and appropriating the funds of the City for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024 and ending December 31, 2024.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Rehklau and Seconded by Councilman Stone to move Bill 1693 to second reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

Bill No. 1694: Establishing a Schedule of Fees and Charges (“Rate Book”)

An Ordinance to consolidate all City fees and charges into a comprehensive Schedule of Fees and Charges to ensure clarity and orderliness for City of Fulton staff and the citizens they serve.

Motion was made by Councilman Leuther and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to place Bill 1694 for second reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:

Bill No. 1692: Southwind Estates Subdivision Plat Seven

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to approve Plat Seven for the Southwind Estates Subdivision.

Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to place Bill 1692 for Third Reading at tonight’s Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to place Bill 1692 for Final Passage at tonight’s Council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member (Washington) absent.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Leuther, YES; Nelson, YES; Rehklau, YES; Sebacher, YES; Stone, YES; Combs, YES; and Hinchie, YES. Councilman Washington was absent.

Bill No. 1692 having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The next scheduled Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 28, 2023.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Myers said there was a need to enter Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(3) to discuss hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee of a public governmental body.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to enter Executive Session.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Nelson, YES; Rehklau, YES; Sebacher, YES; Stone, YES; and Combs, YES; Hinchie, YES; and Leuther, YES. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member absent (Washington).

The Council exited to the Executive Conference Room and entered Executive Session at **7:25** p.m.


The Council reentered the Council Chambers at **7:56** p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, Motion was offered by Councilwoman Nelson and seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to adjourn. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one member absent (Washington). The meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.



Steve F. Myers
Mayor



Kathie Ratliff
City Clerk