

**CITY OF FULTON COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, MAY 28, 2024**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street.

Present and presiding were: Mayor Steve F. Myers; Courtney L. Doyle, Director of Administration; Marissa Peneston, Deputy Clerk; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Myers at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was noted by the Deputy Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Alan Combs; Bill Hinchie; Lauren Nelson; Mary Rehklau; Jeff Stone; Bob Washington; and Brad Leuther. Mike West was absent.

Also present were: Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Dustin Dougherty, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; and Jordan Lewis, Audio/Video.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS.

There were none.

PROCLAMATION FOR THE RETIREMENT OF BRIAN SCHMIDT FOLLOWING 18 YEARS OF SERVICE:

The Mayor honored Brian Schmidt for his 18 years of dedicated service as a fire engineer.

PROCLAMATION FOR THE RETIREMENT OF RICHARD ELSENRATH FOLLOWING 38 YEARS OF SERVICE:

The Mayor honored Richard Elsenrath for his 38 years of dedicated services to the city as Assistant City Engineer.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. City Council Minutes for April 9, 2024
- b. City Council Minutes for April 23, 2024.
- c. Fulton Street Fair – June 21 & 22, 2024.
- d. Kingdom Pilots Association Pancake Breakfast and Fly-In – September 21, 2024.
- e. Appointment of Valerie Sebacher to the Public Safety Commission. First term to expire July 2025 to build staggered succeeding terms.
- f. Independence Day Parade – July 4, 2024
- g. 2nd Annual KFTT (Airport) Summer Luncheon
- h. Juneteenth Event for the Human Rights Commission – June 15, 2024

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION (IF ANY)

There were none.

PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE APRIL DOA REPORT.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to approve the April DOA Report. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE APRIL FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Nelson and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to approve the March Financial Statement.

Chief Financial Officer Dougherty provided an overview of the financial statement.

Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Richard Vaughn, on behalf of VFW Post 2657, was present to request financial support for the annual Fourth of July Fireworks Display.

Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to give \$2,500.00 towards the annual fireworks display and with the option of Mr. Vaughn coming back at a later date to let us know the status of his fundraising. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

- b. Tamara Tateosian, Chief Executive Officer of Callaway Chamber of Commerce, was present to provide an update of the organization's efforts.

Tamara Tateosian provided an update of the organization's efforts, highlighting that tourism is now under the Chamber of Commerce as well.

- c. Consideration by Council to officially excuse Councilman Leuther from council duties and meetings through August 2024.

Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to allow flexibility and excusal when needed to Councilman Leuther from his duties with compensation through the end of October. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman Hinchie addressed citizen's concerns about improper use of waste bins at the City Warehouse and mentioned the bins are not for commercial use. He then provided an update of the Public Safety Commission meeting stating many topics were discussed. Finally, he noted that the cicadas are healthy and thriving!

Councilwoman Rehkla stated that she also attended the Public Safety Commission meeting, and shared her appreciation of how many of the city departments are collaborating to make the commission a success.

Councilman Stone reported that the Historic Preservation Meeting for May did not have a quorum but there will be another meeting on June 12, 2024, at 1 p.m. He also mentioned that May is Historic Preservation Month and to be on the lookout for the blue and white signs that mark historic buildings in Fulton.

Councilman Leuther expressed his appreciation for everyone that has reached out to him and stated that he is blessed to live in this community.

Councilman Combs noted the Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting will be on June 11th, he had no other concerns.

Councilman Washington reported that the Park Board met on May 2nd but he was unable to attend and invited Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director to share. Caswell stated that the main focus of the meeting was the 2025 Capital Budget improvements. Next, he asked City Engineer Kyle Bruemmer to give an update on

demolition and Bruemmer shared bids will be received until June 20th, noting it has been a long process to get to this point. Councilman Washington also brought to the council's attention that the council stipend has not been changed in several years, and the council should consider this at a future meeting.

Councilwoman Nelson invited Wastewater Supervisor Anna Zerr to provide updates from the Public Utility Board meeting. Zerr shared the Medium Facility Biosolids Award that the City of Fulton received. Zerr also gave an update on the Lead Service Inventory that the City is about to start and also gave an update on the Wastewater plant.

The Mayor gave a quick update on the Utility Conference in Tulsa that he attended.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 3540: Asphalt Contract with Christensen Construction Company

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a contract with Christensen Construction Company of Kingdom City, Missouri, for Asphalt Overlay and Cold milling, Project COF 24-04 and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adopt Resolution 3540 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Resolution 3541: Micro Surfacing Contract with Missouri Petroleum

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a contract with Missouri Petroleum of St. Louis, Missouri, for the 2024 Micro Surfacing Project – COF 24-04 and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Nelson and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to adopt Resolution 3541 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Resolution 3542: Chip Seal Contract with Missouri Petroleum

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a contract with Missouri Petroleum of St. Louis, Missouri, for the purpose of proving Chip Seal services and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Rehklau and Seconded by Councilman Stone to adopt Resolution 3542 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Resolution 3543: Bartlett and West Contract

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a contract with Bartlett & West of Jefferson City, Missouri, for technical assistance with creating a Lead Service Line Inventory and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to adopt Resolution 3543 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Resolution 3545: Bulletproof Vest 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 Patrick Leahy Bulletproof Vest Program Grant through the United States Department of Justice, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to adopt Resolution 3545 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Resolution 3546: State Homeland Security Program Regionalization 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 Regionalization Grant and establishing an effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adopt Resolution 3546 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR FIRST READING:

Bill No. 1709: Revised Open Container Possession in Public Places

An Ordinance repealing Section 10-10., Possession in open container in public places. Fulton City Code. is hereby repealed, and a new Section 10-10., Possession in open container in public places. is enacted in lieu thereof, and establishing and effective date.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Rehkla and Seconded by Councilman Hinchie to place Bill No. 1709 for Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

Bill No. 1710: Budget Amendment

An Ordinance authorizing amendments to the City of Fulton Budget for the Fiscal Year 2024 as outlined by Article VIII, Financial Procedure, Section 8.8, Amendments After Adoption, Paragraph (C), Transfer of Appropriations, Fulton City Charter, and establishing and effective date.

Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to place Bill No. 1710 for Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).

ANNOUNCEMENT:

The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with a work session scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Myers said there was a need to enter an Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021(1), to discuss or deal with legal actions, causes of action, or litigation and RSMo 610.021(3) to discuss the hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to enter Executive Session under RSMo 610.021.1. and RSMo 610.021.3.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – **Yes**

Councilwoman Rehkla – Yes
Councilman Stone – Yes

Councilman Leuther – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson - Yes

Councilman Washington - Yes
Councilman West - Absent

The Council agreed to a short break and exited to the Executive Conference Room at 7:49 p.m.

There being no further business, the council exited Executive Session. Motion was made by Councilman Hinchie and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla. Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows:

Councilman Combs – Yes
Councilman Hinchie – Yes
Councilman Leuther – Yes
Councilwoman Nelson - **Yes**

Councilwoman Rehkla – Yes
Councilman Stone – Yes
Councilman Washington - Yes
Councilman West - Absent

Executive session adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Motion was made by Councilwoman Nelson and Seconded by Councilman Stone to adjourn at 8:19 p.m. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, one absent (West).



Kathie Ratliff
City Clerk



Steve F. Myers
Mayor

