

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 22, 2014

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 22, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street. Present and presiding were LeRoy D. Benton Mayor; William R. Johnson, Director of Administration; Carolyn L. Laswell, City Clerk; and Roger Rice, Deputy Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Benton at 6:30 p.m. Roll call was taken by the City Clerk and members of the council present were Cannell; Chailland; Moore; Pace; Rehklau; Shiverdecker; Vaughn; and West. Also present were Matt Harline, Assistant Director of Administration; Les Hudson, Code Enforcement; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer; Greg Hayes, City Engineer; Dean Buffington, Fire Chief; Michelle Frazee, Human Resources Director; Clay Caswell, Parks and Recreation Director; Samantha Bedsworth, Purchasing Agent; J. C. Miller, Solid Waste Manager; Pastor Bruce Williamson; Kara Wagner; Whitney Eastwood; Blake Eastwood; Jennell Austin; Addy Bedsworth; and Darin Wernig, Audio/Video.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Pastor Bruce Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Mayor Benton asked if there was anyone present who wished to address the council that was not listed on tonight's agenda to please come to the podium and state their name, address and area of concern. There were none.

Mayor Benton said there was a need to amend this evening's meeting agenda by adding under 9. Unfinished Business f) Dirt work on the Warehouse and under Resolutions b) Resolution 3213.

Motion was offered by Councilman Cannell and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to approve these additions to the agenda. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

MINUTES:

Mayor Benton said the council meeting minutes for April 15, 2014 will be presented for approval at the next regularly scheduled council meeting.

FINANCIALS:

Financials for March were presented for approval and Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer, was present to answer any questions from the council.

After some discussion and review, motion was offered by Councilman Cannel and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to accept the Financial Statements for the month of March as presented. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION REPORT FOR MARCH:

The Director of Administration Report for March was presented to the council for review. Bill Johnson said he or any of the department heads at this meeting would answer any questions from the council.

Upon review, motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to accept the Director of Administration Report for March as presented. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

a) Permission needed on the requests received from Jennell Austin, Chairman of the 2014 Fulton Street Fair, for the city's support and work to be done in setting up the fair.

After much discussion, some of the council members felt they had not had enough time to read over the requests prior to this meeting. Therefore, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilman Chailland to table this discussion until the next regularly scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (Pace and Moore) voting against.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a) Second Presentation of the Rules of Order and Procedures for Review, Discussion and Approval.

Motion was offered by Councilman Cannell and seconded by Councilwoman

Rehklau to remove this item from the table for further discussion. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

Mayor Benton asked the city clerk to explain her research with Robert Rules of Order and she said that the preferred agenda was to have the Minutes, Financials and the Department's Reports done before any New Business being addressed. She said she understood the reasoning of not having our visitors sitting through a meeting until their time to address the council, but those three items, traditionally, take five minutes or less. But, the final decision was up to the council.

After some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Cannell and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to approve the Rules of Order and Procedure for 2014-2015 as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (West and Chailland) voting against.

b) Permission needed to hold a Block Party on McNeal Lane.

Kara Wagner, 636 McNeal Lane, said the residents on McNeal would like to hold a Block Party on Saturday, May 17th from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. They are asking permission to block McNeal and Wood Street and McNeal and Canterbury Street (each end of the street) for this event.

Deputy Chief Rice said he saw no problem with this as long as all the rules would be followed and the city clerk said she would give them the contact names for barricades, noise and liquor permits, etc.

Motion was offered by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Chailland to approve this request as presented. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

c) Further Discussion on the City Employee Parks & Recreation city discount.

Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director, presented an amended proposal per the council's request at the last meeting.

Upon further review, the council requested this policy include the Annual Pass for Tanglewood Golf Course and a Season Pass for the Oestreich Swimming Pool.

Motion was offered by Councilman Chailland and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to approve the City of Fulton Employee Discounts for Parks & Recreation Fees as amended. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor and one member (Rehklau) voting against.

d) Update on the Splash-pad.

Clay Caswell referred to the hand-outs to the council on the Fry & Associates proposal, comparing it to Athco, Inc., proposal that was presented at the last council meeting.

After much discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Chailland and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to have the city enter into an agreement with Fry & Associates to purchase the Splash-pad to be installed at Memorial Park. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

e) Update from Councilman Vaughn, council liaison, on the Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on Tuesday, April 8th.

Councilman Vaughn said the commission discussed the Historical Markers that are to be placed on the Stinson Trail. A Dedication ceremony will be held on Tuesday, May 20th in Memorial Park at 12:00 noon, with Mayor Benton present.

Other subjects discussed were an update on the Brick District; a short discussion on the Rock Barn; and future review and discussion of the current Historic Preservation Ordinance.

f) Update from Greg Hayes, City Engineer, on the Airport Manager position at the Airport.

Greg Hayes said five proposals have been received with the deadline being April 30th. The top four-five will be interviewed by the Airport Advisory Board on May 19th and then should be back to the council with a recommendation in early June.

An interim Airport Manager has been suggested, yes or no. The current staff is keeping up with the mowing and general maintenance.

g) Dirt work on the Warehouse site.

Greg Hayes referred to the hand-out provided to the council showing the individual proposal costs from three vendors on equipment rental, operators costs; and expected fuel cost.

After some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to authorize the City Engineer to proceed with getting the dirt moved on this project. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

Councilman Moore said he has received complaints and many comments about the last two months of utility bills being estimated. Bill Johnson said the city is set up and is working with customers, giving them an extra month to pay their bill. Councilman Moore asked about having a pre-pay on gas and water. Bill Johnson said in a couple of years, the gas and water meter will be digital and something like Councilman Moore suggested could be undertaken.

Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer, said the credit card machines were installed this week and will be up and working by May 1st.

Councilman Moore asked for the city crews to check the American Flag at Hillcrest Cemetery as it has become frayed.

The council asked for a hail damage report from the administration. Matt Harline, said that he and a representative from MIRMA are evaluating all city-owned buildings.

The council also asked about the White Christmas lights on the buildings in the downtown area that were damaged, who owns these lights? This will be reviewed and discussed at a future council meeting.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 3212 was presented by Councilman Cannell.

RESOLUTION 3212 - a Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with J.C. Industries, Jefferson City, Missouri, for the construction of the West

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7th Street Bridge Project in the amount of \$647,776.76, and establishing an effective date (Copy is included in the official Resolution Book).

Motion was offered by Councilman Cannell and seconded by Councilman Moore to adopt Resolution 3212 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor and one member (West) voting against.

Resolution 3213 was presented by Councilman Shiverdecker.

RESOLUTION 3213 - A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to Execute a Contract with Fry and Associates, Inc., North Kansas City, Missouri, for the construction of a Splash-pad Spray Park, with Installation at Memorial Park in the amount of \$249,949.00, and establishing an effective date (Copy is included in the official Resolution Book).

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to adopt Resolution 3213 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor.

ORDINANCES:

Bill No. 1402 was presented for Second Reading by Councilman Vaughn.

BILL NO. 1402 - An Ordinance Authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to Declare a Tract of Land commonly known as the Rock Barn and 7.96 Acres, located on State Road O, Fulton, Missouri, to be Surplus Property, authorizing its sale, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to place Bill No. 1402 for third reading at the next regularly scheduled council meeting. Motion carried by all eight members of the council voting in favor.

APPOINTMENTS:

There were no appointments to be presented by Mayor Benton at this council meeting.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a) Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, May 1st at 6:30 a.m. in the Senior Center.
- b) MML Central Regional Meeting/Dinner on Wednesday, May 28th in Centralia.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Benton said there was no need for an Executive Session at this council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the council, motion was offered by Councilman Chailland and seconded by Councilwoman Pace to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with all eight members of the council voting in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

LeRoy D. Benton, Mayor

Carolyn L. Laswell, CMC/MRCC