

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
April 28, 2015

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in regular session on Tuesday, April 28, 2015, 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 Chief of Police. 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; Moore; Rehklau; Shiverdecker; Vaughn; and West. Absent were Councilmembers (Chailland and Pace-Snook). Also present were 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; Jerry Sorte, Assistant Director of Administration; Samantha Bedsworth, Purchasing Agent; J. C. Miller, Solid Waste Manager; Pastor Bruce Williamson; Dawn Smith; Jennell Austin; Mark Webb; Anara Agala; Steve Wilds; Jeanne Wilds; Brittany Ruess, reporter for THE FULTON SUN; Mike Haldeman and Darin Wernig, Audio/Video.

**INVOCATION:**

Invocation was given by Pastor 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.

**MINUTES:**

The council meeting minutes for April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2015 were presented for approval at this council meeting.

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Vaughn that council meeting minutes for April 4th, 2014 be approved as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two councilmembers (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

**FINANCIALS:**

Financials for the month of 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 West and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to accept the Financial Statements for the month of March as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two councilmembers (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a) Update on the Animal Shelter.

Les Hudson, Code Enforcement, said they are putting up an outside fence and outside pens will follow. The city workers also planted grass around the outside of the building.

Mayor Benton announced there will be an Open House at the Animal Shelter on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> with a ribbon-cutting at 10:30 a.m. On Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 - 3:00, there will be free Animal Adoptions at the Animal Shelter.

- b) Update on the new Warehouse Facility.

Greg Hayes, City Engineer, said some progress is being made despite the wet weather. The Utility and Municipal Sheds are up and in place. They are working on the details of the Administration building.

Councilman West asked for trash in the yards of residential homes with stronger enforcement, could be placed on a future work session for discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Discussion and Permission needed on the Request received from Jennell Austin, representing the Street Fair Committee on the 2015 Annual Street Fair to be held on June 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

Jennell Austin was present at this council meeting and said the Street Fair Committee will present the city with \$300 for Police Supervision. She gave the council some of the new ideas that will be at the Street Fair this year.

After some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to approve these requests for the 2015 Street Fair as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

b) Discussion on the proposed 2015 Sidewalk Project.

The council reviewed and discussed the hand-out that was in the council packet.

After much discussion, Bill Johnson said he and the Mayor will be driving around town again and could make some changes as the council desires.

c) Discussion on a Proposed Purchase of a Police Vehicle.

The MUSTANG Grant funds have been restored and Bill Johnson asked if the council would like to use \$7,000 to allow the city to buy another Explorer or does the council want the entire grant money (\$20,000) returned to their special project fund?

After some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to go ahead and purchase the vehicle as proposed. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

d) Discussion of the Proposed 2015 Asphalt Overlay Program.

Greg Hayes, City Engineer, referred to a hand-out that was included in the council packet referring to the proposed asphalt replacement.

Upon some more review and discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Cannell and seconded by Councilman West to approve the 2015 Asphalt Overlay Program as proposed. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

e) Discussion of a Vehicle Idle Policy.

J. C. Miller presented a draft of a Vehicle Idle Policy which says that no unattended vehicle should be left idling and limits the time

an idling vehicle may do so.

After some review and discussion, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilman Moore to adopt this policy as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two members (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

**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 West and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to accept the Director of Administration Report for March as presented. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor and two councilmembers (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent.

A video was shown to the council on the City of Columbia and their Solid Waste Maintenance employees showing Safety Work Compensation liability.

The council asked for a GIS Mapping demonstration at a future council meeting.

**BOARD AND COMMISSION MEETING REPORTS:**

- a) Report from Steve Moore, council liaison to the Human Rights Commission meeting held on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Moore gave an overview of the meeting and reported that the 2015 Jane Bierdeman-Fike Humanitarian Award was given to Jerrie Bell.

This event raised \$1,290.00 in sales and donations, and after expenses had been deducted, the commission profited \$329.84 which was given to The Guiding Light Baptist Church; CARDV and the Kingdom Center for Women's Ministries.

- b) Report from Greg Hayes, City engineer, on the Airport Advisory board meeting held on Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

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Greg Hayes said there was an open discussion on the additional trees at the end of Runway 18-36. The City of Fulton has received a letter from the FAA on these trees being in the glide path of this runway. Mr. Hayes and his staff will review this situation again before pursuing the removal of these trees.

c) Report from Richard Vaughn, council liaison, to the Historic Preservation Commission meeting held on Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.

Councilman Vaughn said the commission met and was given a copy of the current Historic Preservation Ordinance with the proposed changes for them to review and study and bring back to the next meeting for further review and discussion.

d) Report from Richard Vaughn, council liaison, to the Utility Board meeting to be held on Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>.

The Utility Board did not meet as they lacked a quorum.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

Mayor Benton said he had no appointments to be presented at tonight's council meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Mayor Benton reminded the council of the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast to be held on May 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 a.m. in the Fulton Senior Center.

The Animal Shelter Grand Opening will be held on Friday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.

The Annual Pilot's Association Fly-In Breakfast will be held on Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at the Hensley Airport.

The MML Central Division meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> in Columbia.

Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> is the Annual City Employee Picnic at the Splash Pad Shelter.

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**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 Cannell and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with six members of the council voting in favor, two members (Chailland and Pace-Snook) absent, and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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LeRoy D. Benton, Mayor

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Carolyn L. Laswell, CMC/MRCC  
City Clerk