

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 27, 2018**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 27, 2018 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; Courtney L. Crowson, City Clerk; and Steve Myers, 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: Chailland, Gray, Moore, Shiverdecker, Stone, Vaughn, and West. Absent was Councilwoman Rehklau. Also present were: Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer, Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; J.C. Miller, Solid Waste Manager; Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration; Pastor Bruce Williamson; Mike Haldeman and Darin Wernig, Audio/Video; and visitors: John Braun, Sandy Kelley, Kim Barnes, Tamara Tateosian, Chloe Shank, Vernon Laswell, and Anne Johnson.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Pastor Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Mayor Benton asked any attendees not listed on tonight's agenda, but whom wished to address the Council, to please come to the podium, state their name, address and area of concern, and to keep comments under five (5) minutes. A digital timer was administered and monitored by the City Clerk.

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 Benton 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 Council Meeting Minutes of March 13, 2018.
- b. Acceptance of the Director of Administration Report for February.
- c. Approval of an event request from Nichole Thomas, on behalf of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, for the Out of Darkness Walk on Saturday, April 14, 2018.
 - i. The event request has been reviewed and approved Chief Myers; no police assistance is needed or requested.
- d. Approval of an event request from Nichole Thomas, on behalf of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, for a Car/Truck show at Veteran's Park on Saturday, June 9, 2018 from 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
 - i. This event request has been reviewed and approved by Clay Caswell. Robert Boone has made contact regarding insurance requirements.
- e. Approval of an event request from Sandy Kelley, on behalf of CARD-V, to close 5th Street between Market and Court on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 for the "Take Back the Night" event from 6:00 -10:00 p.m.

- i. The event request has been reviewed and approved by Chief Myers. The group will be responsible for placing and removing street barricades; no police assistance is needed or requested.
- f. Acceptance of the following Board & Commission Reports:
 - i. Historic Preservation Commission – February 20, 2018
 - ii. Public Utility Board – February 26, 2018

Councilman Stone requested to remove items (c.) and (d.) for further discussion. Councilman West requested to remove item (e.) for further discussion.

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

Vernon Laswell and Chloe Shank were present to discuss the Out of Darkness Walk and Car/Truck Show benefiting the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

Laswell stated the Out of Darkness Walk be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018, and will encompass both college campuses to promote student involvement. As in years past, traffic control will be handled by the group volunteers. Following some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Chailland and seconded by Councilman Stone to approve the request as presented. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

Laswell and Shank also requested permission for the Car/Truck show to be held in Veteran’s Park on Saturday, June 9, 2018, and for park reservation fees to be waived. Bill Johnson, Director of Administration, stated that historically, the fees are not waived for non-profit organizations, as we also require taxpayers to pay for the shelters. Councilwoman Gray stated she believed the money for the reservation should be paid out of general revenue.

Following some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to approve the event request without waiving the reservation costs. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

Sandy Kelley, of the CARD-V Board, was present to discuss the event request for a “Take Back the Night” gathering outside the County Courthouse on Tuesday, April 10, 2018. April is “Sexual Assault Awareness Month”, and Kelley requested to close Fifth Street between Court Street and Bluff Street to allow the group enough room to safely organize and meet. Councilman West expressed concerns with the street closure, as he believes it is already difficult for people to navigate around the roadwork currently taking place. Kelley stated she believes the street closure would be necessary from 6:30 – 10:00 p.m.

Following some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilman Stone to approve the event and street closures as requested. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:

The Financial Report for the month of February 2018 was presented for acceptance, and Bill Johnson offered to answer any questions from the council, as Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer was absent from the meeting.

Following review, motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Moore to accept the Financial Report for the month of February 2018 as presented. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business for consideration at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Tamara Tateosian, Executive Director of the Callaway Chamber of Commerce, was present to provide a quarterly update on the organization's accomplishments.

Tateosian relayed that the organization was off to a great start and had added eleven new members since the start of the new year. Additionally, the Chamber experienced record attendance at their Annual Banquet and saw a boom in participation at the Job Expo. Tateosian informed the council that the Chamber and Central Region Workforce Investment Board were the recipients of a \$341,000.00 grant geared to assist welding students and adults in the profession.

Tateosian also promoted the Youth 180 Program, which provides opportunities for youth to shadow business leaders and gain valuable work experience. Participants, ages 14-24, are paid by funding through the Missouri Job Center and are allotted 240 hours of shadowing time.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman Stone noted the glass recycling dumpster at the north end of town is full and needs to be emptied.

Councilwoman Gray thanked the Fulton Police Department for assistance with congestion on Wood Street after school releases in the afternoon.

Councilwoman Gray stated she believes she was misrepresented by THE FULTON SUN following comments during the last meeting, as she is opposed to the location of the proposed apartment complex, not opposed to affordable housing.

Councilwoman Gray stated she believes the city should further explain that it is audited annually by an outside agency, in the wake of recent issues in other municipalities and the County Courthouse.

Councilman Moore asked when the Historic Preservation Districts would be brought to the council for consideration. City Clerk Courtney Crowson stated the ordinance would likely be presented for First Reading at the next council meeting.

Councilman Shiverdecker expressed some concerns with the timing of the stoplight at the intersection of Fourth Street and Westminster Avenue. Due to road construction on Fourth Street, the intersection has become congested and proves to be difficult for westbound traffic. Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer, stated he would contact MoDOT, as they control the stoplight.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3299 was presented by Councilman Vaughn.

- a. Resolution No. 3299: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to execute a Contract with the Housing Authority of the City of Fulton, Missouri, for the provision of supplemental police services.

Motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Chailland to adopt Resolution No. 3299 at tonight's council meeting.

Anne Johnson, Executive Director of the Fulton Housing Authority stated the partnership between the FHA and the Police Department has been excellent and has made the property safer. Johnson stated the families also appreciate the police support and presence on the premises.

Chief Myers stated it benefits the entire city when the two organizations can work together to keep productive citizens safe and remove others when needed.

Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

ORDINANCES:

SECOND READING

Bill No. 1498 was presented for Second Reading by Councilman Moore.

- a. Bill No. 1498: An Ordinance repealing Chapter 118, Vehicles for Hire of the Code of the City of Fulton, Missouri, in its entirety, enacting a new Chapter 118, Vehicles for Hire in lieu thereof, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilwoman Gray to place Bill No. 1498 for Third Reading at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent.

Bill No. 1498 was presented for Third Reading by Councilman Moore.

Motion was offered by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to place Bill No. 1498 for Final Reading at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member, (Rehklau) absent.

Roll call vote of the members of the council was as follows: Gray, YES; Moore, YES; Shiverdecker, YES; Stone, YES; Vaughn, YES; West, YES; Chailland, YES. Bill No. 1498, having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the council, was declared passed by the President of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Election Day is Tuesday, April 3, 2018. (Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
- b. The next meeting of the City Council will be Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. (No Work Session due to installation of new City Council.)

- c. The 18th Annual Clean Sweep will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018. To register, please contact Parks & Recreation at 573-592-3190.

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 Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman West to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

LeRoy D. Benton, Mayor

Courtney L. Crowson, City Clerk