

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 10, 2018**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 10, 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 Roger Rice, Assistant 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, Rehklau, Shiverdecker, Stone, Vaughn, and West. Also present were: Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; J.C. Miller, Solid Waste Manager; Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration; Michelle Maupin, Human Resources Director; Pastor Bruce Williamson; Jenny Gray, THE FULTON SUN; Mike Haldeman and Darin Wernig, Audio/Video; and visitors: Rhonda Braun, John Braun, Noah Braun, Carole Raschert, Frank Raschert, Paige Braun, Caleb Braun, Marilyn Simmons, Ballard Simmons, Richard Rehklau, Susan West, Justin Easley, Amanda Easley, Ashley Isenberg, Michael Isenberg, Michael West, Frances Vaughn, Ron Elliott, Dale LaRue, Dennis Houchins, Jenna Houchins, and Carolyn Laswell.

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.

Bill Johnson, Director of Administration, stated Les Hudson retired from the position of Planning & Protective Services Director on March 16, 2018. Johnson invited Dennis Houchins, the selected successor to Hudson, to come forward to address the council.

Houchins greeted the council and stated he was thankful for the opportunity to work for the city.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2018:

The minutes of the March 27, 2018 council meeting were presented for approval.

Motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3300 was presented by Councilman West.

- a. Resolution No. 3300: A Resolution certifying the votes cast in the Municipal Election held on April 3, 2018.

Motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to adopt Resolution No. 3300 at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

ADJOURNMENT OF THE SITTING COUNCIL:

There being no further business to come before the present council, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor. The meeting of the sitting council adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

The new City Council gathered for individual and group pictures at this time.

NEW COUNCIL

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Benton at 6:40 p.m. Ballard Simmons, newly-elected member for First Ward, and John A. Braun, newly-elected member for Third Ward were present, in addition to Councilmembers Moore, Rehkla, Shiverdecker, Stone, Vaughn, and Chailland.

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICIALS:

City Clerk Courtney Crowson administered the oath of office to the newly-elected councilmembers.

First Ward: Ballard Simmons
Second Ward: Mary K. Rehkla
Third Ward: John A. Braun
Fourth Ward: Steve Moore

ADOPTION OF COUNCIL RULES OF ORDER AND PROCEDURES:

Mayor Benton noted an interest was previously expressed to incorporate the Pledge of Allegiance into the Order of Business.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Chailland to incorporate Item 4. Pledge of Allegiance under Section 4.01 "Order of Business" of the Rules of Order and Council Procedure. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor. All subsequent items in said Section 4.01 shall be advanced forward one position.

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Chailland to approve the Council Rules of Order and Procedures, as amended. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

ELECTION OF DEPUTY MAYOR:

Mayor Benton called for nominations for the position of Deputy Mayor for the ensuing one-year term.

The nomination of Steve Moore was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla. Motion was offered by Councilman Chailland and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to close nominations for Deputy Mayor. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

Mayor Benton declared Councilman Moore elected as Deputy Mayor by acclamation.

Councilman Moore thanked his fellow councilmembers for the opportunity to serve in this capacity.

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. Re-Appointment of Tim Wilkerson to the Fulton Housing Authority Board.
- b. Re-Appointment of Julie Boyd-Uhls to the Fulton Housing Authority Board.

Motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Stone to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Dale LaRue and Ron Elliott were present to request funding and permission for the Fulton Country Club Fireworks Display on Wednesday, July 4, 2018.

Elliott and LaRue introduced themselves as representatives of the Fulton Country Club. LaRue thanked the city for the ongoing support of this event and stated last year's display was very successful.

This year, the fireworks will be launched from a different location on the course, as trees have caused visibility issues in the past. LaRue requested the city authorize a contribution of \$2,950.00, the same amount given in 2017, to assist with the payment of the display and technicians, as well as authorize the event and necessary permits.

Following some discussion, motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Chailland to authorize the request as presented. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Mayor Benton asked any members of the council with a concern to raise their hand and wait to be called upon.

Councilman Vaughn asked for an update regarding a house on Sixth Street that was deemed to be unsafe. Johnson stated a hearing has been scheduled with the homeowner for May 7, 2018.

Councilman Vaughn asked if the Planning & Zoning Commission has considered a recommendation regarding tiny homes. City Clerk, Courtney Crowson stated the commission will need to meet regarding a subdivision plat in the near future and will consider the topic of tiny houses at that time.

Councilwoman Rehklau requested an update on the installation of a flashing light for the intersection of Route C and Tennyson Road. Councilwoman Rehklau noted the installation was authorized by the council in 2017, but had yet to be completed. Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer, stated the project would be staked out later in the week.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3301 was presented by Councilman Vaughn.

- a. Resolution No. 3301: A Resolution of Recognition and Appreciation to Beverly Gray for her two years of service as a City Councilmember.

Motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Stone to adopt Resolution No. 3301 at tonight's meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

Resolution No. 3302 was presented by Councilman Moore.

- b. Resolution No. 3302: A Resolution of Recognition and Appreciation to Mike West for his fourteen years of service as a City Councilmember.

Councilman Moore stated it was a great personal pleasure to honor West's many years of service. Motion was offered by Councilman Moore and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to adopt Resolution No. 3302 at tonight's meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

West bestowed well wishes upon the council and stated it had been an honor for him to serve.

Resolution No. 3303 was presented by Councilman Shiverdecker.

- c. Resolution No. 3303: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a Contract with Fence Pro LLC, of New Bloomfield, Missouri, for the Anderson Baseball Field Fence Project with the City of Fulton's costs not to exceed Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$8,342.00), and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Moore to adopt Resolution No. 3303 at tonight's meeting.

Councilman Simmons asked if the contract had a fixed price and what would happen if the project cost more than originally planned. Johnson explained that the contract utilizes the city's standard contract language and provides for the Mayor to authorize change orders. Johnson stated that a large increase in cost could be brought back for council consideration, but it would depend on the scale and scope of the project and difference in cost.

Councilman Stone noted the Parks & Recreation Department had received a \$10,000.00 grant to assist with the project, leaving the remaining balance of \$8,342.00 for the city to cover.

Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

Bill No. 1499 was presented for First Reading by Councilwoman Rehklaue.

- a. Bill No. 1499: An Ordinance repealing Ordinance Number 918-03 and enacting a new Ordinance in lieu thereof to re-establish the Downtown, Court Street, Westminster College, Robertson, and Bell Historic Districts, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Rehklau and seconded by Councilman Chailland to place Bill No. 1499 for Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting.

David McDaniel, Chair of the Historic Preservation Commission was present to answer questions regarding the district changes. McDaniel noted the districts are established to assist with identifying historic properties within an area. The districts had not been amended since 2003, and were in need of modifications to include additional eligible properties and exclude some areas that were no longer applicable.

Councilman Braun expressed concerns with limiting the districts and the opportunity for additional homes to be included in the future. McDaniel explained that the districts can be modified in the future, and that homes outside of the historic districts may still receive historic designations. McDaniel also explained that the districts and historic property designations carry no regulations or restrictions.

Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.
- b. The 18th Annual Clean Sweep will be held Saturday, April 21, 2018. To register, please contact Parks & Recreation at 573-592-3190.
- c. Spring Cleanup Week will take place April 23-27, 2018 along regular pick-up routes (no construction debris or tires).
- d. The Household Hazardous Waste Center, located behind the fire station on Tennyson Road, will be open for drop-off on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month through October. To schedule a drop-off, please contact the Fire Department at 573-592-3150.
- e. The Mayor's Annual Prayer Breakfast will be held Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 6:30 a.m. at the Fulton Senior Center (531 Commons Dr.) Tickets are available in the City Clerk's Office or at the Senior Center.
- f. The City of Higginsville will host the next MML Central Division meeting on Wednesday, May 23, 2018. Councilmembers who wish to attend must RSVP with the City Clerk no later than Tuesday, May 8, 2018.

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 Stone to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the council voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

LeRoy D. Benton, Mayor

Courtney L. Crowson, City Clerk