

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
APRIL 24, 2018

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, April 24, 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: Braun, Chailland, Rehklau, Shiverdecker, Simmons, Stone, and Vaughn. Absent was Councilman Moore. Also present were: Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer; Dennis Houchins, Planning & Protective Services Director; 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 of THE FULTON SUN; Mike Haldeman and Darin Wernig, Audio/Video; and visitors: Danielle Campbell, Kelsay Fletchall, Frank & Carole Raschert, Julie Uhls, Jamie Oestreich, and Sarah Sachs.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Pastor Williamson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Pastor Williamson.

Mayor Benton stated a need to amend tonight's agenda by adding Item C. "Grant Discussion" under New Business. Motion was offered accordingly by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent.

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 that JC Miller, Solid Waste Manager had announced his retirement, effective at the end of June 2018. Miller came forward to address the council and thanked the city for many wonderful years of employment.

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 April 10, 2018.
- b. Acceptance of the Director of Administration Report for March.
- c. Appointment of Jamie Oestreich to the Park Board.

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

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

The Financial Report for the month of March 2018 was presented for acceptance, and Chief Financial Officer, Kathy Holschlag was present to answer any questions from the council.

Holschlag stated there were two months of sales tax recorded, and the city is roughly 3.7% ahead of figures recognized during this period of 2017. Additionally, March was a three-payroll-month with expenses proportionately higher.

Mayor Benton also noted the city is undergoing an annual financial audit this week.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business for consideration at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Kelsay Fletchall and Danielle Campbell, co-chairs of the Fulton Street Fair, were present to request permission for the annual event to be held June 22-23, 2018 in downtown Fulton.

Fletchall and Campbell stated they had previously met with city staff and administration to review the annual event request. This year will mark the 15th anniversary of the "Fulton Street Fair", although it is worth noting that the event has been in existence for many years under a number of aliases. Fletchall and Campbell stated they greatly appreciate the ongoing support from the city.

Motion was offered by Councilman Vaughn and seconded by Councilman Shiverdecker to approve the event as requested. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent.

- b. Julie Boyd-Uhls, Jamie Oestreich, and Sarah Sachs were present to request permission for the Relay for Life event to be held June 8, 2018 at Memorial Park.

Uhls stated the organization is excited to bring this year's event to downtown Fulton. The event will require the closure of Second Street between Court and Nichols, modifications to the splash pad schedule, and a brief shut off of the Memorial Parking lot/Hensley Field lights. Additionally, the Memorial Parking lot will be closed for public parking on Thursday, June 7th through the end of the event. The group will be responsible for working with Parks & Recreation staff and the street department to ensure barricades are placed and removed and lights and equipment are handled properly.

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

c. Grant discussion.

Kyle Bruemmer, Interim City Engineer stated he was notified of a potential federal grant for the downtown area in an amount ranging from \$5 million to \$25 million with a maximum match of 20% (including in-kind). This grant, if awarded to the city, could be used to make significant improvements in the Brick District and repair or replace utilities and other infrastructure. Bruemmer noted that the grant money could not be used for building facades, but could be utilized for sidewalk to sidewalk improvements.

Bruemmer stated the grant application is due in July 2018, and the city will need assistance from an outside agency to prepare the application. Councilman Simmons stated it would be nice to remodel the downtown area and recommended making contact with the Brick District Board and merchants.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Braun to allow Bruemmer and appropriate staff to move forward in pursuing this opportunity, and to contact the Brick District and Historic Preservation Commission for input. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilwoman Rehklau thanked the Engineering Department for their ongoing work on the flashing light at the Tennyson and Route C. intersection.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3304 was presented by Councilman Stone.

- a. Resolution No. 3304: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a Contract with Curtiss-Manes-Schulte of Eldon, Missouri, for the 2018 Steel Storage Building Project, authorizing necessary funds, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Chailland to adopt Resolution No. 3304 at tonight's council meeting.

Johnson stated the Steel Building is a budgeted item and costs will be shared by the various departments utilizing the storage space.

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

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

Bill No. 1500 was presented for First Reading by Councilman Shiverdecker.

- a. Bill No. 1500: An Ordinance repealing Chapter 46, Environment, of the Code of the City of Fulton, Missouri, enacting a new Chapter in lieu thereof, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1500 for Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent. Councilwoman Rehklau stated, "There's

been a lot of work put into this ordinance, and it's been done very well".

SECOND READING

Bill No. 1499 was presented for Second Reading by Councilwoman Rehkla.

- 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 Rehkla and seconded by Councilman Chailland to place Bill No. 1499 for Third Reading at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent.

Bill No. 1499 was presented for Third Reading by Councilwoman Rehkla.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Rehkla and seconded by Councilman Vaughn to place Bill No. 1499 for Final Passage at tonight's council meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent.

Roll call vote of the members of the council was as follows: Chailland, YES; Rehkla, YES; Shiverdecker, YES; Simmons, YES; Stone, YES; Vaughn, Yes; Braun, YES. Bill No. 1499, having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the council, was declared passed by the President of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Spring Cleanup Week will take place April 23-27, 2018 along regular pick-up routes (no construction debris or tires).
- b. 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.
- c. The next meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, May 8, 2018. A Work Session will commence at 6:30 p.m. with Regular Session to follow at 7:00 p.m.
- d. 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.

Mayor Benton asked the council to hold the evening of June 6th for a possible meeting. More information will be available regarding this meeting in the future.

City Clerk, Courtney Crowson stated she had received a notice from the Lieutenant Governor's office that the city's nominee, Ms. Carmen Brandt, was selected as a recipient of the 2018 Senior Service Award. Crowson thanked Councilman Moore for his assistance in gathering information from the various

organizations with which Ms. Brandt volunteers. Ms. Brandt will be honored alongside other recipients of the award on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Capitol Rotunda. The event will be open to the public.

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 Vaughn to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the council voting in favor, and one member (Moore) absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

LeRoy D. Benton, Mayor

Courtney L. Crowson, City Clerk