

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 9, 2021

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street. Present and presiding were: Mayor Lowe Cannell; William R. Johnson, Director of Administration; Courtney L. Doyle, City Clerk; and Steve Myers, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cannell at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by the City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Pace-Snook, Sebacher, Shiverdecker, Simmons, Stone, Washington, and Braun. Absent was Councilwoman Rehklau. Also present were; Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Dennis Houchins, Planning & Protective Services Director; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration; Michelle Maupin, Human Resources Director; Rev. Bruce Williamson; Ryan Boland of *THE FULTON SUN*; Darin Wernig, Audio/Video; and visitors: Alan Combs, Mike West, and April Redmon.

INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Rev. Williamson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:

Mayor Cannell 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.

April Redmon, 5000 Red Maple Lane, stated she is the founder and President of Callaway Cares. Redmon said she recently sent a proposal for a feral cat program to Mayor Cannell and would like to know what the Council thinks about moving forward.

Mayor Cannell noted that the Council is unable to interact with speakers during Comments from Visitors but may choose to address this topic on a future agenda. City Clerk Courtney Doyle offered to reach out to Ms. Redmon to assist her with how to address the Council and her proposal.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

There were no items for consideration on the Consent Agenda.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Legends Rec-Plex facility update.

Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer, stated the city and contractor have agreed upon a solution for the banquet center room flooring; a luxury vinyl plank flooring will be installed, and the city and contractor have split the cost for the flooring. Bill Johnson, Director of Administration, noted the contractor credited the cost of the original concrete stain and sealant back to the city.

Bruemmer also reported that the field house netting has been installed. Johnson stated the work out equipment has not yet been delivered, and an opening date has not been set. Following brief discussion

regarding the anticipated opening for the facility, Johnson stated that the flooring installation and delivery of the equipment are major items that must take place before an opening date can be decided.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no New Business for consideration at this meeting.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman Washington reported he intends to speak with owners who have abandoned/derelict houses and cluttered properties to encourage them to reach compliance. Councilman Washington also noted that many people neglect to yield at the roundabout, and he believes this needs to be addressed.

Councilman Stone reported there is a flashing speed radar sign near the intersection of Fourth Street and Westminster Avenue, but no sign is nearby to indicate the speed limit through this area. Bruemmer will investigate this further.

Councilwoman Sebacher noted a drainage issue near the Fulton Housing Authority property. Bruemmer will investigate this further.

Councilman Simmons asked if the Traffic Commission had any further insight into the speed limits along Wood Street. Bruemmer noted that the Council chose not to amend any of the speed limits or school zones along Wood Street, and the speed limit signs and flashing signal were altered to provide a clearer understanding of the speed limits. As no further action or recommendation was needed, the Traffic Commission did not meet again regarding this issue.

RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution No. 3395 was presented for adoption by Councilman Stone.

- a. Resolution No. 3395: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to an Amendment to the Allied Waste Services Disposal Agreement, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Braun to adopt Resolution No. 3395 at tonight's Council meeting.

Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration, offered to answer any questions from the Council. He noted the current contract was up for renewal, and the proposed fees (\$36/ton with a 3% increase annually for the next five years) are still well under the average costs when compared to other rates across the region.

Johnson noted this new contract rate will cost the city an additional \$48,000 annually, but the city is not recommending any rate increases for solid waste customers at this time. Johnson also stated that Allied Waste Services has been an excellent partner to Fulton for a number of years, and he believes the proposed rate is attractive. Brief discussion followed.

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

ORDINANCES:

SECOND READING

Bill No. 1608 was presented for Second Reading by Councilman Simmons.

- a. Bill No. 1608: An Ordinance re-enacting Sec. 2-9 through 2-13 of the Fulton City Code pertaining to the Annual Financial Disclosure Requirement, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Simmons and seconded by Councilwoman Pace-Snook to place Bill No. 1608 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. 1608 was presented for Third Reading by Councilman Simmons.

Motion was offered by Councilman Simmons and seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1608 for Final Passage 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: Pace-Snook, YES; Sebacher, YES; Shiverdecker, YES; Simmons, YES; Stone, YES; Washington, YES; Braun, YES. Absent: Rehklau. Bill No. 1608, having received the affirmative vote of seven members of the Council, was declared passed by the President of the Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next meeting of the City Council will be held Tuesday, March 23, 2021, at 6:30 p.m.
- b. Election Day is Tuesday, April 6, 2021. (Polls open 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.)
- c. The 20th Annual Clean Sweep will be held on Saturday, April 10, 2021. To register, please contact Parks & Recreation at 573-592-3190.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Cannell stated there was not a need for an Executive Session at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was offered by Councilman Shiverdecker and seconded by Councilwoman Pace-Snook to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with seven members of the Council voting in favor, and one member (Rehklau) absent. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Lowe Cannell, Mayor

Courtney L. Doyle, CMC/MRCC
City Clerk