

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 8, 2022**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, February 8, 2022 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street. Present and presiding were: Mayor Lowe Cannell; Darrell Dunlap, Interim Director of Administration/Superintendent of Utilities; Courtney L. Doyle, City Clerk; and William Ladwig, 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: Braun, Combs, Nelson, Rehklau, Simmons, Stone, Washington, and West. Also present were: Kathy Holschlag, Chief Financial Officer; Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Dennis Houchins, Planning & Protective Services Director; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Robert Boone, Assistant Director of Administration; Michelle Maupin, Human Resources Director; Rev. Bruce Williamson; Darin Wernig and Mike Haldeman, Audio/Video; Michael Shine of *The Fulton Sun*; and visitors: Valerie Sebacher, Lindsey Hux, and Libby Beetem.

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.

There were none.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

There were no Consent Agenda items for consideration at this meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was no Unfinished Business for consideration at this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Representatives from Central Missouri Foster Care & Adoption will be present to request a fee waiver for Whitlow Pavilion on Saturday, May 21, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. for an annual fishing event.

Libby Beetem stated the organization works with adoptive families and children and hosts four events in Callaway County that are focused on supporting children who are in the foster care system and adoption process. Beetem provided some background information on the annual event and noted people can volunteer on the organization's website.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Braun to approve the fee waiver request as presented. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

- b. Lindsey Hux, on behalf of the Super Sam Foundation, will be present to request a fee waiver for Memorial Pavilion on Saturday, June 18th for a Fun Run and Cornhole event.

Hux provided background information about the annual event and thanked the City of Fulton for continued support. Motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to approve the fee waiver request as presented. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

COUNCIL CONCERNS:

Councilman West thanked the city crews for their hard work during the recent heavy snowstorms and thanked the community for their patience. These sentiments were echoed by the other members of the Council.

Councilman West expressed concerns with stormwater issues near the Lutheran Church off Douglas Boulevard and believes the issue should be remedied.

Councilman Combs encouraged citizens and business owners to ensure their sidewalks are cleared of snow so that foot traffic can safely continue without being forced to enter roadways.

Councilman Washington stated he believes communication regarding trash collection needs to improve when winter storms impact collection and thanked Wendy Powers for her assistance. Councilwoman Nelson echoed this sentiment.

Mayor Cannell thanked Councilman Simmons for covering for him at the past couple meetings. Mayor Cannell stated the Council has completed the first round of interviews in search of a new Director of Administration, and the Council will meet in executive session this evening to discuss the next steps.

RESOLUTIONS:

There were no Resolutions for consideration at this meeting.

ORDINANCES:

FIRST READING

Bill No. 1632 was presented for First Reading by Councilwoman Rehklau.

- a. Bill No. 1632: An Ordinance amending Section 10-31, License-Required; Term; Renewal; Fulton City Code. by repealing certain legislation, enacting new legislation in lieu thereof, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Rehklau and seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1632 for Second Reading at the next regularly-scheduled Council meeting. City Clerk Courtney Doyle noted the Council authorized the creation of a proration schedule in mid-2021, and this ordinance will allow for the change to be officially enacted and codified. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, February 22, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

- b. In late February, Jody Buchholz will retire from the City of Fulton Street Department after thirty years of service.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Cannell said there was a need to enter into an Executive Session pursuant to 610.021, Subsection Two (2), RSMO, to discuss hiring, firing, disciplining, or promotion of an employee of a public governmental body.

Motion was offered by Councilman Braun and seconded by Councilman Simmons to enter into Executive Session.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Nelson, YES; Rehklau, YES; Simmons, YES; Stone, YES; Washington, YES; West, YES; Braun, YES; Combs, YES. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

The Council exited to the Executive Conference Room and entered the Executive Session at 7:24 p.m.

The Council reentered the Council Chambers at 8:48 p.m. Motion was offered by Councilwoman Nelson and seconded by Councilman West to exit Executive Session.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Rehklau, YES; Simmons, YES; Stone, YES; Washington, YES; West, YES; Braun, YES; Combs, YES; Nelson, YES. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor.

The Council exited Executive Session at 8:49 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was offered by Councilman West and seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adjourn this meeting. Motion carried with eight members of the Council voting in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Lowe Cannell, Mayor

Courtney L. Doyle, CMC/MRCC
City Clerk