

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
MARCH 14, 2023**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 14, 2023 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street. Present and presiding were: Mayor Lowe Cannell; Renee Tyler, Director of Administration; Courtney L. Doyle, Assistant Director of Administration; Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Cannell at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was noted by the City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Combs, Leuther, Nelson, Rehlau, Sebacher, Stone, Washington, and West. Also present were: Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; June Skamenca, Human Resources Manager; Rev. Bruce Williamson; Michael Shine and Jeremy Polston, Audio/Video; and visitors: John Braun, Ronda Braun, Steve Myers, Melissa Case, Logan Nichols, Joey Mirth, and Allen Huggins.

**INVOCATION:**

Invocation was given by Rev. Williamson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

**PROCLAMATION:**

Mayor Cannell recognized the Fulton Rotary Club for 100 years of "Service above Self."

**COMMENTS FROM VISITORS:**

There were none.

**COUNCILMEMBER CONCERNS:**

Councilman West stated that he has no concerns to address.

Councilwoman Sebacher shared no concerns.

Councilwoman Rehlau expressed concerns regarding the walkway that is sliding into the lake near the Harris Community Center. Parks and Recreation Director, Clay Caswell, noted that his department is aware of the issue and has plans to correct it in the upcoming months.

Councilman Stone stated there was a upcoming Historic Preservation meeting on March 21. He asked for a brief update, if possible, on the Ravine and Second Street intersection project. He also expressed his thanks to all those involved in bringing the Jefferson City Medical Group urgent care center to Fulton.

Councilman Leuther asked the Rotary Club representative to share more information about the Fulton Rotary Club and their event. He also made note that the YMCA Banquet will be held in April.

Councilman Combs shared that the Human Rights Commission is looking for vendors for the Juneteenth Celebration.

Councilman Washington stated he has no concerns tonight.

Councilwoman Nelson said that the Public Utility Board met on March 10. They are in favor of adoption of Resolution 3481.

Mayor Cannell spoke about that evening's Council Work Session topic of salaries for the City of Fulton elected officials.

Director of Administration Tyler gave a legislative review of her time spent in Washington D.C. with the American Public Utility Alliance.

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Councilman Washington presented Resolution No. 3479 for adoption.

**Resolution No. 3479: Facility Use Agreement with Callaway Ambulance District**  
A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with the Callaway County Ambulance District of the City of Fulton, Missouri, for the provision of reciprocal facility usage in the event of a disaster where one party's facility is unusable.

Motion was offered by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher for passage of Resolution No. 3479 at tonight's Council meeting.

Councilman Stone stated that he and Councilwoman Nelson both serve on the Callaway Ambulance Board. He said that both are in support of the MOU, and even though this bears no financial weight, both Councilpersons will abstain from the vote at the opportunity of transparency.

Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two abstained.

Councilman West presented Resolution No. 3480 for adoption.

**Resolution No. 3480: Firefighter Collective Bargaining Agreement**  
A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to enter into an Agreement with the Local 2945 International Association of Firefighters and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman West and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to adopt Resolution No. 3480 at this Council meeting.

Director of Administration Tyler reviewed changes made in the agreement.

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

Councilwoman Sebacher presented Resolution No. 3481 for adoption.

**Resolution No. 3481: Water Tower and Storage Tank Rehab Contract**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to a Contract with Viking Painting, LLC, for services relating to the rehabilitation and repainting of the pedestal water tower and ground storage tank located in the southern half of Fulton (South Business 54 and Collier Lane), Project CoF 22-04, at an estimated cost of \$1,159,450.00.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adopt Resolution No. 3481 at this Council meeting.

Superintendent of Utilities Dunlap stated that those tanks have a little bit of structural issue that need fixed and this is not just a painting project. The money to complete this project will come from a Wastewater sales tax that sunsets in 2025.

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

**ORDINANCES:**

**FIRST READING**

Bill No. 1673 was presented for First Reading by Councilwoman Rehklau.

**Bill No.1673: Animal Control Officer**

An Ordinance amending Chapter 14, Article I, Animals – In General, Section 14-4 by repealing all of Section 14-4 Animal Control Officer. and enacting section 14-4 in full, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Rehklau and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to place Bill No. 1673 for Second Reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

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

Bill No. 1674 was presented for First Reading by Councilman Combs.

**Bill No.1674: Document Authorization for Project Design**

An Ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 1612-23 (Bill 1665) and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to execute all necessary documents in relation to the Missouri Department of Transportation Application for Federal/State Assistance for project design by Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc. (CMT) regarding Airport Runway Lighting Project Number 23-04A-1, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Combs and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehklau to place Bill No. 1674 for Second Reading at the next regularly scheduled Council meeting.

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

## SECOND READING

Bill No. 1672 was presented for Second Reading by Councilman Stone.

**Bill No. 1672: Annual Financial Disclosure Requirement**

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 Stone and Seconded by Councilman West to move Bill No. 1672 for Third Reading at tonight's Council meeting.

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

Bill No. 1672 was presented for Third Reading by Councilman Stone.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilman West to place Bill No. 1672 for Final Passage at tonight's Council meeting.

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

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Nelson, YES; Rehklau, YES; Sebacher, YES; Stone, YES; Washington, YES; West, YES; Combs, YES; Leuther, YES.

Bill No. 1668, having received the affirmative vote of eight members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next City Council meeting will be held Tuesday, March 28, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

### EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Mayor Cannell said there was a need to enter Executive Session pursuant to RSMo 610.021 (1,3) to discuss or deal with legal actions, causes of action, or litigation and the hiring, firing, disciplining or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to enter Executive Session.

Roll call vote of the members of the Council was as follows: Rehklau, YES; Sebacher, YES; Stone, YES; Washington, YES; West, YES; Combs, YES; Leuther, YES; Nelson, YES.

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

The Council exited to the Executive Conference Room and entered Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

The Council exited Executive Session and reentered the Council Chambers at 8:46 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was offered by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to adjourn this meeting.

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.



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Lowe Cannell  
Mayor



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Kathie Ratliff  
City Clerk