

**CITY OF FULTON COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR SESSION  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023**

The Council of the City of Fulton, Missouri, met in Regular Session on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 18 E. 4th Street.

Present and presiding were: Mayor Steve F. Myers; Courtney L. Doyle, Int. Director of Administration; Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk; and William Ladwig, Police Chief. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Myers at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was noted by the City Clerk, and members of the Council present were: Brad Leuther; Lauren Nelson; Mary Rehkla; Valerie Sebacher; Jeff Stone; and Bob Washington. Members absent were Alan Combs and Bill Hinchie.

Also present were: Kevin Coffelt, Fire Chief; Dustin Dougherty, Chief Financial Officer; Kyle Bruemmer, City Engineer; Clay Caswell, Parks & Recreation Director; Darrell Dunlap, Superintendent of Utilities; Michael Shine, Audio/Video; and visitors.

**INVOCATION:**

Invocation was given by Rev. Williamson.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Rev. Williamson.

**RETIREMENT PROCLAMATION TO RANDY BELL, FIRE ENGINEER.**

Mayor Myers and Fire Chief Coffelt recognized and congratulated Fire Engineer Randy Bell with a proclamation and plaque celebrating his retirement from the City of Fulton Fire Department after 11 years.

**COMMENTS FROM VISITORS.**

Fulton resident Justin Hathaway, 227 E 6th Street, addressed the Council about his pedestrian concerns at Bluff and St. Louis Avenue, numerous drivers have had close calls, almost hitting him. He claimed that police responded with different answers when he asked for help, but he is frustrated and feels as if he is not being heard.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

There was no items on the Consent Agenda.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

There was none.

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There was none.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Jody Paschal requested permission for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Callaway Christmas Lighted Cruise to be held on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Nelson and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to approve the request with the start time to be amended to 7:00 p.m. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor.

Jacob Marshall, the Westminster Road & Trail Running Club's co-captain, requested permission to close Jack Marshall Avenue at specific dates and times in order to hold a first-time event titled Jack Dashes Road Event. The dates and times (time subject to shorten) are as follows:

Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Marshall provided the Council with a signed roster of effected consent from area residents who have a driveway that filters onto Jack Marshall Avenue acknowledging the race days and times.

Discussion followed before the Council suggested the street department provide barricades and a street closed sign for the race as a safety measure.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to approve the request as presented. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor.

#### **COUNCIL CONCERNS:**

Councilwoman Sebacher had no concerns this evening.

Councilwoman Rehklau thanked the police and fire for their swift reaction and support after her accident.

Councilman Stone reminded people that December 1 is the Field of Joy and December 2 is the Christmas parade. He also recognized the firefighters for their response at his neighbor's home. The service, compassion, and speed were great.

Councilman Leuther had two constituents complain about "abandoned cars" and asked for an action plan response. He stated it's unattractive for city tourists. Callaway Leadership this week placed him at the fire department. He gained in-depth knowledge and thanked them for their work and dedication.

Councilman Washington shared that the N.A.A.C.P. Fulton branch, will be holding the Freedom Fund Banquet on November 11 at 7:00 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church.

Councilwoman Nelson stated that there has not been a Public Utility Board meeting since last month. She gave thanks to the city staff who organized the Mayors Cup event. She said, many thought it was a terrific day and she appreciates the effort.

Mayor Myers praised the Parks & Recreation staff for their efforts in the Mayor's Cup tournament and thanked the others that participated. He said there was an attendance of 104 players despite the weather and we will soon know the total to be donated to the charity of choice, Open Table.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

### **Resolution No. 3513: Firehouse Subs Foundation Grant**

A Resolution authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to sign all necessary documents in relation to the Firehouse Subs Foundation Grant to assist in the procurement of a Digital Fire Extinguisher Training System for the City of Fulton Fire Department.

Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to adopt Resolution No. 3513 at tonight's Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

## **ORDINANCES PRESENTED FOR FINAL PASSAGE:**

### **Bill No. 1688: Establishment of the City of Fulton Public Safety Commission**

An Ordinance establishing the Public Safety Commission of the City of Fulton.

Motion was offered by Councilman Leuther and Seconded by Councilwoman Sebacher to place Bill No. 1688 for Third Reading at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

Motion was offered by Councilman Leuther and Seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1688 for Final Passage at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

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

Bill No. 1688 having received the affirmative vote of six members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

### **Bill No. 1689: MoDOT State Block Grant Agreement Amendment #1**

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to execute all necessary documents in relation to the Missouri Department of Transportation Commission for an Amendment to State Block Grant Agreement regarding Airport Runway Lighting Project Number 23-040A-1, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to place Bill No. 1689 for Third Reading at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

Motion was offered by Councilman Washington and Seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1689 for Final Passage at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

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

Bill No. 1689 having received the affirmative vote of six members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

**Bill No. 1690: Meyer Electric Contract for Runway 18-36 Edge Lighting**

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to execute all necessary documents in relation to a contract with Meyer Electric Company, Inc. of Jefferson City, Missouri, regarding Airport Runway 18-36 Lighting State Project Number 23-040A-1, and establishing an effective date.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Rehkla to place Bill No. 1690 for Third Reading at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to place Bill No. 1690 for Final Passage at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

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

Bill No. 1690 having received the affirmative vote of six members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

**Bill No. 1691: Crawford, Murphy, & Tilly Supplemental Agreement Runway 18-36**

An Ordinance authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri to execute all necessary documents in relation to the Aviation Project Consultant Supplemental Agreement No. 1 for Construction Services by Crawford, Murphy, and Tilly, Inc. (CMT) regarding Airport Runway Lighting Project Number 23-040A-1.

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilwoman Nelson to place Bill No. 1691 for Third Reading at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

Motion was offered by Councilwoman Sebacher and Seconded by Councilman Stone to place Bill No. 1691 for Final Passage at this Council meeting. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie).

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

Bill No. 1691 having received the affirmative vote of six members of the Council was declared passed by the President of the Council.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

There was none.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

The next scheduled Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 24, 2023.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business to come before the Council, Motion was offered by Councilman Stone and seconded by Councilman Washington to adjourn. Motion carried with six members of the Council voting in favor, two members absent (Combs, Hinchie). The meeting adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

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Steve F. Myers  
Mayor

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Kathie Ratliff  
City Clerk