



**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI  
MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2011**

**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION  
6:00 PM**

Councilmember Jean Moore opened the City Council Meeting to adjourn to a Closed Executive Session on August 22, 2011, at 6:00 PM. Councilmember Jean Moore made a motion to adjourn to Closed Executive Session pursuant to Missouri Open Meeting Act Exemption 610.021(1) for Litigation and Confidential or Privileged Communications with Legal Counsel, and 610.021(2) for Real Estate Acquisition Discussion, and 610.021(3) for Personnel Discussion. Councilman Brian Hill seconded.

Roll Call Vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, and Councilmember Jean Moore. (3-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter and Mayor Barry McCullough were also present at the Closed Executive Session.

Mayor Barry McCullough adjourned the Closed Executive Session.

**REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
7:30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Barry McCullough  
Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter  
Councilmember Jean Moore  
Councilman Brian Hill  
Councilman Bill Garnos

City Manager Kirk Davis  
Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson  
City Counselor Randall Thompson  
City Clerk Cathy Swenson

**Item 2. on the Agenda.      ROLL CALL.**

Mayor Barry McCullough opened the Regular August 22, 2011, City Council Meeting at 7:30 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers, and noted that all Council members were present.

**Item 3. on the Agenda. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

Mayor Barry McCullough led the Pledge of Allegiance, in which all joined.

**Item 4. on the Agenda. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AUGUST 8, 2011, CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.**

Councilman Brian Hill moved to approve the **REGULAR AUGUST 8, 2011, CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** as presented. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

**Item 5. on the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-66**, authorizing Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$250,253.41 to the contract with Superior Bowen Asphalt Company, LLC, for the 2011 Mill and Overlay Program. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-67**, authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding by and between the City of Gladstone, Missouri (“City”), and the Mid-America Regional Council (“MARC”) to deploy high efficiency LED streetlight technology within the City. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-68**, accepting a Temporary Construction easement in conjunction with the Northeast Antioch Road at Pleasant Valley Road Street Reconstruction Project. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-69**, authorizing Change Order No. 2 in the amount of \$225,568.00 to the contract with Linaweaver Construction, Incorporated, for the Atkins-Johnson Farm Infrastructure Project and improvements to Northeast Antioch Road. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill

Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-70**, authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Utility Service Company, Incorporated, for the 5.0 Million Gallon Reservoir Tank Mixer; and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$5,440.00. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTON R-11-71**, authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Independent Salt Company for the purchase of snow removal salt. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-72**, authorizing the City Manager to purchase one 2012 Type III ambulance on a Chevrolet G4500 chassis, one ambulance patient box, and specified loose equipment from U.S. Coachworks for the total purchase amount of \$162,344.00. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-73**, authorizing execution of a contract with Premier Picks, LLC, dba Performance Fitness Equipment, for the purchase of fitness equipment for the total purchase amount of \$25,100.00. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to approve a **NEW SEVEN DAY PACKAGE LIQUOR LICENSE** for Gulnoor LLC dba Gladstone Mart & Liquor, 7020 North Oak Trafficway. Managing Officer: Nancy Whiton. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to approve a **NEW SIX DAY PACKAGE LIQUOR LICENSE** for Dolgencorp, LLC dba Dollar General Store #2610, 6026 A NE Antioch Road. Managing Officer: Lorene Samson. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to approve a **NEW SIX DAY PACKAGE LIQUOR LICENSE** for Dolgencorp, LLC dba Dollar General Store #3241, 6577 North Oak Trafficway. Managing Officer: Lorene Samson. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to approve the **JULY 2011, FINANCIAL REPORT**. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

**Item 6. on the Agenda.**      **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.**

There were no communications from the audience.

**Item 7. on the Agenda.**      **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL.**

**Councilman Bill Garnos** stated he appreciated all the work the City did in the last couple of storms and also for keeping him apprised, as a new City Councilman, of what the City has been doing with the power outages, yard waste pickup, and opening up the Public Works brush disposal, for which we received good publicity on the evening news. Councilman Garnos said regarding the sewer issue, we had a Study Session and a presentation this evening, and the City Council has had other briefings on this issue, and he does not know if it is the work of the consultants or Public Works, but at some point, when this is explained to the people, and everyone knows that is going to be a critical part of the issue going forward, he would like to see the two sides of the equation on the monthly water bill that the people of Gladstone receive. We pay a water bill for the City’s portion and the sewer portion of the bill for the City of Gladstone. We need to keep thinking of those two parts separately, and at some point, he would like to see on the City side, here is the average residential annual water bill for the City side of the equation, and the incremental increases and what we project the increases to be. Similarly, seeing the same kind of thing on the sewer side, and see what the changes have been and what we have to pass through to the City of Kansas City. What is scaring everyone is the projection on those sewer rate increases that we will be facing. We keep hearing the 13 and 15 percent annual increases. Hopefully, between the work of the consultants and Public Works, we can show what the City is facing and what the City has been doing to try to manage and control this, and here is what we are facing right now if we do not do anything on the sewer side with the City. To a citizen who receives their water bill every two months, that is the kind of information he would like to know, and so that people know that the bad guy is not the City of Gladstone, and all the things we have done to try to manage and control this issue.

**Councilman Brian Hill** had no comments at this time.

**Councilmember Jean Moore** had no comments at this time.

**Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter** stated she wished to express appreciation to the Public Works staff who were out at 3:30 AM cleaning streets, and she always appreciates the good work of our City staff. Mayor Pro Tem Suter said it is exciting to see the new road being built to the Atkins Johnson Farm. She drives by that area from time to time, and it is fun to see us moving forward, and she believes, long term, that some great things will come out of that project.

**Mayor Barry McCullough** thanked the Public Works Department, and said he knew they had been hustling, and he appreciates them opening up the brush drop-off for our residents. It will make a lot of people happy to have that available, and especially since we are doing it for no charge through next Sunday.

Mayor McCullough stated he would like to make an announcement regarding City Council liaison positions with Boards and Commissions. Mayor McCullough said that for the most part Councilman Garnos would fill in where former Councilman Smith left off. He will serve on the Tax Increment Financing Commission, and he will replace Mayor McCullough on the Planning Commission, and also serve on the Gladstone Special Road District No. 3. Mayor McCullough said he would take over the Neighborhood Commission to fill the vacancy there.

Mayor McCullough suggested that Council approval was necessary in order to appoint Don Ward to the Planning Commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter moved to appoint Don Ward to the Planning Commission. Councilman Brian Hill seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

Mayor McCullough congratulated Mr. Ward, who was in the audience.

**Item 8. on the Agenda.            COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER.**

City Manager Kirk Davis began by saying, relative to the Atkins Johnson Farm road project, this is the first phase of what will ultimately be Pleasant Valley Road, and an extension of Pleasant Valley Road in Kansas City. We are working with Kansas City officials to make sure it has some priority in funding in the future, either through the Mid America Regional Council or the Public Improvements Advisory Committee (PIAC), or whatever the source may be. That alignment was set several years ago, and will ultimately result in work on 64<sup>th</sup> Street, and the removal of the dangerous curves by the cemetery and on the east side of the farm. It is a big project, and this is an important first step, and it is not only for providing access to the farm and the activities that are planned there.

City Manager Davis said work would be starting on the Antioch Road curve project, which the Council addressed in the Consent Agenda tonight. It will be the first attempt to improve a curve that poses challenges in the wintertime, with the deep ditches and so forth. That is an important project, and he was glad that the Council mentioned it this evening.

City Manager Davis announced that the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Theatre in the Park Golf Tournament is Thursday, and the City Council is invited to eat lunch with the golfers. This event raises a lot of money for the summer theatre program, and helps to make it free for our residents.

City Manager Davis said yesterday, at the brush drop-off, there were over 300 visitors. That is a pretty heavy use for a brush drop-off, and we are pleased that people are using it and that we were able to make it available for free. City Manager Davis said he was proud of the work that

Public Works has done to manage this issue, including Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson, who did a lot of work on Saturday morning in assessing damage and working with the department to make sure that we were providing appropriate service.

City Manager Davis introduced Rodney Lucas, who is an intern with the City. Mr. Lucas comes to us with some tools. We are usually working with folks in the undergrad, intern program. In this case, Rodney has a Master's degree in Public Administration and in Urban Administration. He chose to "turn right instead of left" and is now back to a fork in the road, and is interested in City management. He did a brief internship with our City in 1991 or 1992. City Manager Davis welcomed Mr. Lucas, and said he would be with us for five or six months.

Mayor McCullough welcomed Mr. Lucas, and thanked him for being with our City.

**Item 9. on the Agenda.**      **RESOLUTION R-11-74**, authorizing execution of agreements between the City of Gladstone, Missouri, and the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority to provide public transportation for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, and for transit shelter cleaning and maintenance at 72nd and North Prospect Streets.

Councilmember Jean Moore moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-11-74**, authorizing execution of agreements between the City of Gladstone, Missouri, and the Kansas City Area Transportation Authority to provide public transportation for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012, and for transit shelter cleaning and maintenance at 72nd and North Prospect Streets. Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

**Item 10. on the Agenda.**      **PUBLIC HEARING:** on setting the annual rate of levy for the 2011 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes within the corporate limits of the City of Gladstone, Missouri.

**Mayor Barry McCullough opened the Public Hearing, and said a report would first be heard from Finance Director Debra Daily.**

Finance Director Daily began by saying we had a drop in valuations for real estate in general – it was down by 2 percent; however there were increases in the personal property tax side of 7.87 percent, and overall there was a net change of .78 percent on the negative side for our valuations. Relative to how the tax levies are set, which are very intricate and are from a State formulation, our overall property tax remains at \$0.9290.

**There was no one to speak in Favor or in Opposition of this proposal.**

**Mayor McCullough closed the Public Hearing.**

**Item 11. on the Agenda.**      **FIRST READING BILL NO. 11-23**, enacted pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes Section 94.030 fixing the annual rate of levy for the 2011 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes within the corporate limits of the City of Gladstone, Missouri.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to place **Bill 11-23** on its First Reading. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the First Reading of **Bill 11-23**, Waive the Rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **Bill 11-23**, and to enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.195**. Councilmember Jean Moore seconded.

Councilman Hill said he was quite pleased with City staff in being able to hold the line on expenses in the budget, so we are not forced to increase the taxes for residents at this time; especially, with the economy the way it is.

City Manager Davis said, for the people in the audience who may not have heard the presentation made earlier, effectively, there was a slight decrease in assessed valuations, but the rate for personal and real property is going to be exactly the same as it was last year at \$0.9290.

Mayor McCullough stated that translates to the fact that we are working with less money.

City Manager Davis agreed.

Roll call vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Barry McCullough. (5-0).

**Item 12. on the Agenda.      OTHER BUSINESS.**

There was no other business.

**Item 13. on the Agenda.      QUESTIONS FROM THE NEWS MEDIA.**

There were no questions from the News Media.

**Item 14. on the Agenda.      ADJOURNMENT.**

There being no further business to come before the August 22, 2011, Gladstone Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor Barry McCullough adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

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Cathy Swenson, City Clerk

Approved as submitted: \_\_\_\_  
Approved as corrected/amended: \_\_\_\_

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Mayor Barry McCullough