



**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2013**

Mayor Carol Suter opened the City Council Meeting to adjourn to a Closed Executive Session on January 14, 2013, at 6:00 PM. Councilman Barry McCullough 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 Bill Garnos seconded.

Roll Call Vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (3-0).

Councilman Brian Hill was also present at the Closed Executive Session. Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore was absent.

Motion to Approve Settlement

Councilman Brian Hill moved to approve a settlement in the lawsuit captioned Aipperspach v. McInerney, et. al., Case No. 4:11-CV-01225-W-DGK on the following terms: Plaintiff will dismiss all claims against the City of Gladstone and any individually named persons who were or are employed by the City in exchange for the payment of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

Councilman Barry McCullough seconded.

Roll Call Vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Mayor Carol Suter adjourned the Closed Executive Session.

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

PRESENT: Mayor Carol Suter
Councilman Barry McCullough
Councilman Brian Hill
Councilman Bill Garnos

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

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore
City Manager Kirk Davis

Item 2. on the Agenda. ROLL CALL.

Mayor Carol Suter opened the Regular January 14, 2013, City Council Meeting at 7:30 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers, and noted that all City Council members were present, except for Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, who was unfortunately “under the weather” with the flu. City Manager Kirk Davis was also absent, as he, too, was “under the weather” with the flu. Mayor Suter noted that this has been a tough season for the flu, with a lot of people ill.

Item 3. on the Agenda. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Carol Suter lead the Pledge of Allegiance, in which all joined.

Item 4. on the Agenda. APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 10, 2012, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to approve the **December 10, 2012, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES** as presented. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Item 5. on the Agenda. PRESENTATION OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPRECIATION PLAQUES.

Mayor Suter began by saying that our City is so successful because of people like this evening’s honorees, who are willing to serve. So many people have the opportunity to serve our City on a Board or Commission. It is a great volunteer opportunity, and it is really helpful to the City Council, because they rely on the Boards and Commission members’ judgment, their process in making recommendations to the City Council, and to be the pulse of the City of Gladstone. Mayor Suter offered a special thank you to the people, some of whom have served a long time, who are being recognized this evening. Mayor Suter invited the honorees to approach the Council dais, while she read their plaque, and to remain there until all honorees were present. The honorees were:

David Velasquez, member, and former Chairman of the Planning Commission. Mayor Suter stated that she and Mr. Velasquez were in the very first Leadership Academy, which is how they met, and they both have gone on to do lots of other things with the City. It was a very productive academy that year.

Staci Hagen, member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment. Mayor Suter said she had the opportunity to be the liaison to the Board of Zoning Adjustment, which is how she first met Ms. Hagen.

Lee Hinderliter, member of the Arts Commission. Mayor Suter stated that the Arts Commission, of which Ms. Hinderliter was a member, was responsible for the wonderful art seen

at the Community Center. There will also be a piece of sculpture at the dentist's office being built behind City Hall, and Ms. Hinderliter has worked on these projects.

Daniel Green, member of the Neighborhood Commission. Mayor Suter said that Dan Green was one of the City's pioneers in helping with the neighborhood organization and redevelopment program that has been worked on for a number of years in Gladstone. Mr. Green has served in his own neighborhood association and then he served on the Neighborhood Commission, which was created several years ago.

Donald Harper, member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. Mayor Suter stated that Mr. Harper is one of our City's most profound volunteers, and one of the first people she got to know when she became involved with the City. Mr. Harper has been a great supporter of the City of Gladstone. Mayor Suter said a lot has happened during his 12 years on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, and Mr. Harper has provided great leadership.

The family of **Mary Abbott**, former member of the Planning Commission. Jane Davies, granddaughter of Mary Abbott accepted the award on behalf of the family of Mary Abbott, who passed away this past year. Mayor Suter began by saying that Mary Abbott was one of the most wonderful volunteers the City has had. Mayor Suter said when she was first appointed to the Planning Commission, Mary Abbott made her feel so welcome from the very first meeting. She was always a very enthusiastic supporter of women in leadership, and so she was always eager to see more women participate.

Applause followed each plaque presentation.

Note: Honorees **Mary Cross**, member of the Neighborhood Commission, and **John Stueve**, member of Tax Increment Financing, were unable to attend this meeting.

Item 6. on the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA

Following the Clerk's reading, Councilman Barry McCullough moved to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-01**, authorizing acceptance of work under a takeover agreement with the Guarantee Company of North America USA to complete the 2011 Small Water Main Replacement Project WB1194 due to the default of Wilson Plumbing Company; and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$49,211.25. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-02**, authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Linaweaver Construction, Incorporated, for the 24 Inch Water Transmission Upgrades Project; and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$45,548.73. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All "aye" – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-03**, ratifying and approving the purchase of a tract of land located within Block 36 of Linden Subdivision. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to approve a **LIMITED ONE-DAY LIQUOR BY THE DRINK LICENSE** for Oakhill Day School, 7019 North Cherry, for an annual auction event on March 2, 2013. Hours: 6:00 PM – 11:59 PM. Managing Officer: Sarah Van Duser. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to approve a **BUILDING PERMIT** to expand the structure on property located at 6927 North Oak Trafficway by enclosing the current drive through lanes. Applicant/Owner: ATA Karate for Kids. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to approve the **NOVEMBER 2012 FINANCIAL REPORT**. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

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Item 7. on the Agenda. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE.

Billy Reinsch, 203 NE 67 Street, said he had with him a signed request from all the neighbors on 67 Street requesting a streetlight to be put up on the south side of the road. Mr. Reinsch said there is a lot of traffic on the street, traveling at a very fast rate, and it is a very dark curve. A lot of people do not realize it, and there is a lot of screeching tires. Mr. Reinsch said he had two neighbors on the north side of the street who will not let their children play in their own front yard, because they are afraid of the traffic. Mr. Reinsch said he wished to present this request to the Mayor and City Council for their consideration.

Mayor Suter thanked Mr. Reinsch, and said the Council appreciates input from community members, so whenever someone has a need, please make sure you talk to the City Council, or call the City staff, and make your request known, because it will get to the City Council that way, as well. Mayor Suter confirmed with Mr. Reinsch that he was the point person, and informed Mr. Reinsch that this information would be passed on to staff, and someone would be back in touch with him.

Norbert Reinsch, 300 NE 74 Street, began by saying that he was Billy Reinsch’s uncle. Mr. Reinsch said his street goes up to Linden West Elementary School. Mr. Reinsch said he had a request with him that had been signed by his neighbors, asking the City to do something about the drainage problem on his street.

Mayor Suter thanked Mr. Reinsch and confirmed with him that he was the point person, and said this information would be passed on to staff, and the Public Works Department would be contacting him.

Mayor Suter asked both gentleman to include their phone numbers and e-mail addresses on the information as point people, so that staff may easily get in touch with them.

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

Councilman Bill Garnos stated that one of his first involvements with City government was also requesting a streetlight for a dark corner by his house. His question was what does one have to do to get a streetlight here - he had to learn the process, and learn to be patient. There is now a streetlight at that corner, which is a dangerous, dark corner that has a curve, with an uphill approach from two directions. With cars parking on the street, he felt this was a good place to put a streetlight. Councilman Garnos said he did not at the time understand what all goes into getting one approved and installed, but with some patience, there is a streetlight there now, which is a big improvement. It may not have happened if someone had not brought it to the City's attention. Councilman Garnos said he appreciates Mr. Reinsch's input on this issue, as he has been down the same road. Councilman Garnos encouraged Mr. Reinsch to be patient.

Councilman Brian Hill had no comments at this time.

Councilman Barry McCullough expressed his true appreciation for all the City's Boards and Commissions members who were able to join the City Council this evening, and for all their years of service.

Mayor Carol Suter agreed, and said it was the beginning of a new year, and so there are a lot of new people who have started serving the City, and she hopes they have as good of an experience as most of the Boards and Commissions members present at this meeting have had, and that they serve the City as well as tonight's honorees.

Mayor Suter said she would rely on Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson to provide an update on upcoming events in the City.

Mayor Suter reminded the City Council of the Special City Council meeting this Thursday, at 5:30 PM, to certify the election for the seat on the City Council.

Item 9. on the Agenda. **COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER.**

Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson reported that the Atkins Johnson Farm garage sale will be at the Hillside Christian Church, on Vivion Road, on January 26, 2013, between 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM. There is a student art exhibit that opens at the Community Center on January 25, 2013, at 5:30 PM. Free ice-skating lessons will be available on Saturdays, while the rink is open, between 2:30 PM and 4:30 PM. People who participate in the free ice-skating lessons are asked to rent their skates.

Assistant City Manager Wingerson reported that City Hall would be closed on January 21, 2013, for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Item 10. on the Agenda. **RESOLUTION R-13-04**, adopting the 2013 Legislative Program for the City of Gladstone, Missouri.

Councilman Barry McCullough moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-04**, adopting the 2013 Legislative Program for the City of Gladstone, Missouri. Councilman Brian Hill seconded.

The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Item 11. on the Agenda. **RESOLUTION R-13-05**, repealing Resolution R-08-20, adopting a new Tax Increment Financing Policy, and adopting a new Tax Increment Financing Bidding Policy.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-05**, repealing Resolution R-08-20, adopting a new Tax Increment Financing Policy, and adopting a new Tax Increment Financing Bidding Policy. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Item 12. on the Agenda. **FIRST READING BILL 13-01**, an Ordinance of the City of Gladstone, Missouri, repealing Chapter 125 of the City Code, relating to redevelopment, in its entirety, and enacting in lieu thereof a new Chapter 125.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to place **BILL 13-01** on its First Reading. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the First Reading of **BILL 13-01**, Waive the Rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Brian Hill moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **BILL 13-01**, and to enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.224**. Councilman Barry McCullough seconded.

Roll call vote: All “aye” – Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilman Brian Hill, Councilman Barry McCullough, and Mayor Carol Suter. (4-0).

Item 13. on the Agenda. **OTHER BUSINESS.**

There was no other business.

Item 14. on the Agenda. **QUESTIONS FROM THE NEWS MEDIA.**

There were no questions from the News Media. Mayor Suter thanked the Media representative for being present this evening.

Item 15. on the Agenda. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business to come before the January 14, 2013, Gladstone Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor Carol Suter adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

Cathy Swenson, City Clerk

Approved as submitted: ____
Approved as corrected/amended: ____

Mayor Carol Suter