



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

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

City Manager Kirk Davis  
Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson  
City Clerk Cathy Swenson

**ABSENT:** City Counselor Randall Thompson

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

Mayor Jean Moore opened the Regular October 14, 2013, City Council Meeting at 7:30 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers, and noted that all City Council members were present.

Mayor Jean Moore said it was a pleasure to welcome everyone in the audience and also those watching the meeting on-line. Mayor Moore said she and the City Council thanked everyone for their interest in City of Gladstone government.

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

Mayor Moore stated it was a very special honor this evening, and she believed it was a first, that there were actually girls who would lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Moore said she and the City Council were very pleased to welcome Girl Scout Troop 1891 and 4002, who led the Pledge of Allegiance, in which all joined.

**Item 4. on the Agenda.**      **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 23, 2013, REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.**

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to approve the September 23, 2013, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes, as presented. Councilman Gary Markenson seconded.

The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. 5-0.

**Item 5. On the Agenda.**      **PROCLAMATION:** recognizing **THE DAY OF THE GIRL CAMPAIGN**, and joining Girl Scouts of America Troops 1891 and 4002 in celebrating all girls’ potential and the many contributions of our area youth.

Mayor Moore invited the Girl Scouts and their leaders to join her in the front of the Council dais, where she read and presented the Proclamation.

Mayor Moore invited the Scout leaders and Girl Scouts to introduce themselves as follows: Girl Scout leaders Amber and Jodi; and Girl Scouts Bailly, Kennedy, Onika, Madeline, Gracen, Maddy Grace, Emily, and Elizabeth.

The Girl Scouts took turns reading a narrative about girls and Girl Scouting (please see attached). The Girl Scouts and their leaders received applause from the audience.

Mayor Moore thanked the Scouts and their leaders, and said she and the City Council were very proud of them, and she knew the Scouts learned a lot in their program, and she expected to see them sitting at the Council dais in the future.

The Scout leaders thanked the Mayor and City Council members.

**Item 6. on the Agenda.**      **CONSENT AGENDA**

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

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-54**, authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Lan-Tel, for the 2012 Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Program Project; and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$165,661.32. Councilmember Carol Suter seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-55**, declaring certain City property as surplus and authorizing the sale of such property held by the City to Assisted Transportation of Kansas City, Kansas. Councilmember Carol Suter seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-56**, authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Amino Brothers Company, Incorporated, for the 63<sup>rd</sup> and Kansas Storm Water Improvements; and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$22,823.91. Councilmember Carol Suter seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0)

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-57**, accepting Temporary Construction Easements in conjunction with the Old Maids Creek Sanitary Sewer Interceptor Replacement and Linden Detention Basin Project. Councilmember Carol Suter seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0)

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

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

There were no communications from the audience.

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

**Councilman Gary Markenson** stated our City was very fortunate this past weekend that one of our law enforcement officers were driving down North Oak Trafficway and noticed a fire at the Smokehouse Barbeque restaurant. He got everyone out of the restaurant before anyone suffered any serious injuries or worse. We were very fortunate that he was in the right place at the right time, and did the right thing.

**Councilman Bill Garnos** stated as a message to the Girl Scouts, the Boy Scouts that have been present at Council meetings in the past have never been able to do a skit like the girls did tonight, or given a speech, so the Girl Scouts are to be congratulated for that.

Councilman Garnos thanked City staff for all their fine work and dedication during Gladfest again this year. It was great.

**Councilmember Carol Suter** began by saying it was a great day for the Gladfest parade. There was decent weather, especially for the parade. Councilmember Suter expressed appreciation to all the volunteers, because it was a huge effort by a lot of people who gave their time, like Mayor Pro Tem Hill, who gave his time to make it happen, and for all the City staff who worked above and beyond the call of duty. It was very much appreciated. It was a great event for the community.

**Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill** thanked the Mayor for doing such a good job with the weather for Gladfest.

Mayor Moore said she would take credit for it, and thanked Mayor Pro Tem Hill.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill said former Mayor Bill Reynolds was at Gladfest, and he visited with him, which was enjoyable. Mayor Pro Tem Hill jokingly said former Mayor Reynolds was the one who started controlling the weather for Gladfest.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill thanked City staff and all the volunteers who made Gladfest a success, especially Richard King, who was there longer than he was. It was much improved from an entertainment standpoint over last year. It was a big step forward. Mayor Pro Tem Hill jokingly said he was a little concerned Saturday night when he learned there would be a Kiss copy band, because that was not his speed, and he was concerned when he entered City Hall Saturday afternoon, and there were black feathers all over the hallway. Evidently, the band was in City Hall changing into their costumes.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill congratulated Public Safety on the bike patrol. They made some excellent contacts with the public over the weekend. Mayor Pro Tem Hill said he hoped to see them out quite a bit more on the trails and so forth. They were impressive, and he expected there were some pretty sore Public Safety Officers on Monday morning, after being out on bikes all weekend.

**Mayor Jean Moore** said she wished to add her kudos to everyone involved with Gladfest. It was an enormous amount of work for everyone, and it was certainly obvious this year that everything was stepped up a notch, and it was a great event.

Mayor Moore said she had the opportunity to talk to two of the female bike riders, who were our Police Officers, and they seemed to be really enjoying themselves, and indicated what good comments they had from the public, and they really enjoyed their interaction with Gladstone citizens and people who attended Gladfest. That was a really good opportunity for them to begin interacting with the public.

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

City Manager Kirk Davis began by saying the Council might note that behind City Hall at Linden Square there was a little bit of dirt work going on as staff prepares to install the ice rink this year. City Manager Davis said, for all the Girl Scouts present, in November the City would be offering free ice skating lessons, and everyone is encouraged to come out and learn how to ice skate, and enjoy the facility which will formally open to public following the Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony in November.

City Manager Davis said he had an opportunity to participate in an interesting historic session at the Big Shoal Cemetery on Saturday. The staff and re-enactors, including Larry Newport in the audience, gave a living history of some of the folks who are interred there. It was fascinating to hear some of their history. City Manager Davis said he wished to extend his kudos to Assistant City Manager Scott Wingerson, Economic Development Administrator Melinda Mehaffy, Museum Manager Erica White, and staff for putting on a really fascinating and interesting session. There were about 30 people who showed up for the tour, which lasted about an hour and was very well done.

City Manager Davis reminded the City Council that on November 2, 2013, there would be a bus tour for the City's advisory boards and Council members. Folks will see a lot of the projects that Public Works Director Tim Nebergall referred to in an Open Study Session this evening, and some of the projects that are up coming. It will be a Capital Improvement Projects tour of the City, and we have not done it for a while, and it will be a good time to do it again. The date is Saturday, November 2, beginning at 8:00 AM. The bus will be at Happy Rock Park, where the tour will begin.

**Item 10. on the Agenda.**      **RESOLUTION R-13-58**, in support of the proposed Constitution, establishing a new form of government for Clay County, Missouri, to be voted upon by the citizens of Clay County on November 5, 2013.

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-58**, in support of the proposed Constitution, establishing a new form of government for Clay County, Missouri, to be voted upon by the citizens of Clay County on November 5, 2013. Councilman Bill Garnos seconded.

Councilmember Carol Suter said she was proud to be part of an elected body that had the courage to do its job, and to help take a position that informed citizens. The County Commissioners of Clay County have waged the most vicious campaign of fear and intimidation, and it has been working for many public bodies or entities that are afraid of retaliation from the County Commissioners, if they express support for this new Constitution. Councilmember Suter said she was proud to be a member of this group of public servants, who are not intimidated or afraid to do what they felt was in the best interest of the community.

Councilmember Suter said she obviously would speak in support of this Resolution, and she believed that the proposed Constitution presents a viable, needed option for professional government in Clay County.

Councilman Gary Markenson stated in his career he had assisted about 20 cities draft City Charters, and this Constitution was very similar to a City Charter, and he found it extremely well written and probably, better, in many respects than many City Charters. The drafters did a very good job. It was very clear and concise, with a clear separation of powers between the legislative, executive, and judicial. Councilman Markenson offered his kudos.

Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill stated he had been a resident of Clay County since 1984, and almost continuously during the time he had been a resident, the government of Clay County had been an embarrassment. In strong contrast, the City government of Gladstone had been a source of pride. As Councilman Markenson mentioned, the proposed Constitution very much parallels a City government in the way that it was structured. It was also very similar to the model that was used by Johnson County, Kansas. Mayor Pro Tem Hill said he wished to point out the difference since 1984 in the growth that had occurred in Johnson County, Kansas, as opposed to what had occurred in Clay County. It is time we moved forward and adopt a progressive form of government in Clay County that would serve its citizens well. Mayor Pro Tem Hill said he realized that it was the only item on the ballot for November 5, for the City of Gladstone, but he would strongly encourage residents to go out and vote for the Constitution, and it would be time and effort well spent to do so.

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

**Item 11. on the Agenda.**     **FIRST READING BILL NO. 13-31**, authorizing the City Manager to execute a cost apportionment agreement with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) for funds relating to the construction of pedestrian improvements at Missouri Route 1 and Northeast 73<sup>rd</sup> Terrace.

Councilman Bill Garnos moved to place **BILL NO. 13-31** on its First Reading. Councilman Gary Markenson seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Bill Garnos moved to accept the First Reading of **BILL NO. 13-31**, Waive the Rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. Councilman Gary Markenson seconded. The vote: All “aye” – Councilman Gary Markenson, Councilman Bill Garnos, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Brian Hill, and Mayor Jean Moore. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Bill Garnos moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **BILL NO. 13-31**, and to enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.253**. Councilman Gary Markenson seconded.

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

**Item 12. on the Agenda.**      **RESOLUTION R-13-59**, authorizing execution of a contract with Gunter Construction Company in the total amount not to exceed \$214,629.00 for the Missouri Route 1 and Northeast 73<sup>rd</sup> Terrace Pedestrian Improvements Project.

Councilman Bill Garnos moved to adopt **RESOLUTION R-13-59**, authorizing execution of a contract with Gunter Construction Company in the total amount not to exceed \$214,629.00 for the Missouri Route 1 and Northeast 73<sup>rd</sup> Terrace Pedestrian Improvements Project. Councilmember Carol Suter seconded.

Mayor Pro Tem Hill jokingly said he wished to be sure there was somewhere a plaque involved that calls this the Bill Garnos Memorial Improvements.

Mayor Moore remarked, well stated, and thanked Mayor Pro Tem Hill.

Councilman Garnos stated Councilmember Suter had many times reminded the Council that those on City Council stand on the shoulders of those who have come before, and he believed former Mayor Wayne Beer was one of the first to identify the problems at this intersection, so he would suggest the plaque have former Mayor Beer’s name on it, instead of his own, but jokingly said that could be worked out later.

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

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

There was no other business to come before the City Council.


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

There were no questions from the News Media.

**Item 15. on the Agenda.**      **ADJOURNMENT.**

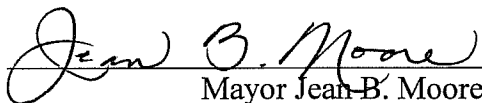
There being no further business to come before the October 14, 2013, Gladstone Regular City Council Meeting, Mayor Jean Moore adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Cathy Swenson, City Clerk

Approved as submitted: ☒

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

  
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Mayor Jean B. Moore



**\*Attachment to the October 14, 2013 City Council Meeting Minutes.  
Narrative read by Girl Scout Troops 1891 and 4002**

How do you see me?

Am I just a kid that rides my bike up and down your street or am I a girl that can do anything I put my mind to?

Do you realize that only 30% of girls in the world are enrolled in high school. In America, the dropout rate is worse for boys but one in four girls does not finish high school, and the dropout rate is even higher for minorities.

Am I just a kid that is always under foot, always asking questions or do you see me as a curious young lady whose thirst for knowledge cannot be quenched.

- Fortune 500 Companies Chief Executive Officers – Only 3% are women.
- Top Positions in Media (entertainment, advertising, telecommunications) – Only 3%
- Hollywood Top Filmmakers – Only 5%
- US Senate – Out of 100 Senators, only 17 are women
- US House of Representatives – Out of 435 lawmakers, only 90 are women (13 African American, 7 Latinas and 4 Asian Congresswomen)
- Governors – Only 6 states are run by women
- State Lawmakers – 1,740 women out of 7,382 legislators nationwide
- County Council & Executives – Barely 14% of about 18,000 officials
- School Superintendents – Only 24%, even though most teachers are female
- Mayors – Only 8 women run the largest 100 cities

Do you realize that I worry about how my peers see me?

You may see me as a knobby kneed little girl but more than half (54%) of 3rd-5th grade girls worry about their appearance and 37% worry about their weight. More than half (57%) of music videos feature a female portrayed in an untasteful manner.

Did You Know ...

Girl Scouting reaches one in every nine girls age five through seventeen in the United States?

Did you know that for every 100 girls who join Girl Scouting . . .

Four will earn the Girl Scout Gold Award--the highest award for girls.

Twelve will have their first contact with a church.

Five will earn their church religious award.

Only rarely will one be brought before juvenile court.

One will enter the clergy.

Eighteen will develop hobbies used during their adult life.

Eight will enter a vocation that was learned through the badge or patch program.

Seventeen will be future Girl Scout volunteers.

One will use her Girl Scouting skills to save a life.

One will use her Girl Scouting skills to save her own life.

A recent study proved that Girl Scouting positively impacts girls:

72% more Girl Scouts than non-Girl Scouts will resist negative peer pressure.

76% of girls try new things in Girl Scouting that otherwise they would not have experienced.

71% of Girl Scouts nationwide will achieve A's and B's as compared to 50% of girls nationwide.

81% of Girl Scouts are more likely to attend college.

61% of women who have been Girl Scouts believe their membership influenced their success.

64% of women in Who's Who of American Women were Girl Scouts.

Please help us proclaim that October 14 is Day of the Girl.