

MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING GLADSTONE, MISSOURI MONDAY, JUNE 12, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor R.D. Mallams

Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos Councilmember Carol Suter Councilmember Jean Moore Councilman Kyle Yarber

City Manager Scott Wingerson Assistant City Manager Bob Baer City Counselor Chris Williams City Clerk Ruth Bocchino

Item 2. On the Agenda. ROLL CALL.

Mayor Mallams opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, June 12, 2017, at 7:45 PM in the Gladstone City Council Chambers. All Councilmembers were present.

<u>Item 3. On the Agenda.</u> PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Mayor Mallams stated: "Please stand and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America."

Item 4. On the Agenda. Approval of Agenda.

The agenda was approved as presented.

<u>Item No. 5. On the Agenda.</u> Approval of the Closed May 22, 2017, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Suter moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2017, Closed City Council meeting as presented. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

<u>Item No. 6. On the Agenda.</u> Approval of Regular May 22, 2017, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Garnos moved to approve the minutes of the May 22, 2017, Regular City Council meeting as presented. Councilmember Suter seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

Item No. 7. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerk's reading, **Councilmember Suter** moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

Councilmember Suter moved approval of RESOLUTION R-17-20 A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Gunter Construction Company, for the Rock Creek Greenway Trail Project, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$56,658.37 for Project TP1571. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

Councilmember Suter moved approval of RESOLUTION R-17-21 A Resolution authorizing acceptance of work under contract with Straub Construction Company, Incorporated, for the Community Center Renovations Project, and authorizing final payment in the amount of \$19,623.86 for Project CO1658. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item No. 8. On the Agenda. Communications from the audience.

There were none.

Item No. 9. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Council.

Councilman Yarber stated: "A couple of weeks ago I was invited to a meeting down at Synergy that was on the topic of the Proposition I which will be on the ballot in August. This proposition would establish a Children's Services Fund in Clay County. Currently over 21,000 Clay County children are turned away from services each year for lack of capacity. The Children's Services Fund would increase capacity and tackle tough issues and most importantly keep tax dollars at work here in Clay County. It would be managed by an independent citizen's board to help ensure accountability. This is something that I hope Gladstone residents will approve. The first time something like this was approved was 12 years ago in St. Charles County by St. Louis. St. Charles County, in those 12 years, went from, out of the 114 counties in Missouri, went from 86th in regard to the condition of children to number one. I think this will be a great benefit for the children of Clay County."

Councilmember Suter stated: "I want to congratulate our Master Gardener, Frank Newkirk, there was a wonderful article in the Star yesterday for people who saw it about our heritage garden at the Atkins-Johnson Farm. It's always good to get some good publicity. Also, I was wondering where we are in learning more about the airport proposal that Kansas City Council is moving quickly to try to approve some kind of plan and get it on the ballot in November. It would be helpful, perhaps, if area cities are supportive if we might send some evidence of our support for a plan and encouraging them to get something on the ballot in November."

City Manager Scott Wingerson stated: "Yes Councilmember Suter, Pat Kline from Kansas City, Missouri is scheduled to be here at your next meeting."

Councilmember Moore stated: "Thank you Mayor. I had the opportunity on Saturday to volunteer at the 10th Annual Kids Triathlon in the city. One of the Council goals as everybody remembers is to foster a healthy community, and certainly this event is a prime example of creating an opportunity for the youth in our community. It was so exciting. It's always exciting to see the spirit and the determination and the focus on the faces of these kids who are just barreling through. I was on the bike race. Even though there were some tears, we had a wipeout, but the idea of getting right back up and going forth again and making it to the finish line-all of these kids are winners regardless of where they placed. I think they all had a good time. It was a great festive atmosphere, it was a great day, and it's really encouraging to see this kind of participation in our community from our kids. I think that healthy families start when kids have that kind of attitude. KUDOS to all the Parks and Recreation and Cultural Arts staff for all that they did to put this together, our Public Safety Department, the National Guard, and all the tons of volunteers who really make this event worthwhile and possible for the city. I wanted to give a shout-out to that. Also, I wanted to compliment Councilmember Suter on the great job at MARC for the annual meeting on Friday. We are so proud to see your leadership in the region and all that you have done for Gladstone, to put a face on Gladstone, both in the Metro and in the region. I know it is a lot of hard work and dedication on your part and so we are very grateful for that. Thank you."

Mayor Pro Tem Garnos stated: "Thank you Mayor Mallams. I wanted to also thank everybody who was involved at Bluesfest. All the volunteers, the huge numbers of city staff from all the departments, the volunteers-I was also pleased this year, finally we got to hear the National Anthem played by a real musician on stage instead of an old recording of a march. That was nice. It's only taken four or five years to accomplish that. I was extra pleased to hear the National Anthem played by a blues musician. I also want to remind everybody that Wednesday is Flag Day. Even though we have a lot of things that divide us, I think we all still honor and respect the flag and can come together for that and hopefully display that on Wednesday."

Mayor Mallams stated: "Since our last meeting, it has been a great couple of weeks here in Gladstone. Some of these have already been mentioned, but I'm going to start with Sgt. Bryan Boydston. He is a member of our Public Safety Department and he has successfully completed the Missouri Police Chief's Charitable Foundation Command College. This training provides Law Enforcement Officers with the opportunity to receive command level leadership training in the areas of strategic planning, internal investigations, ethics and cultural diversity.

Congratulations to him. I'd like to thank our Public Safety Department, the Police Officers, EMTs, Firefighters, for their participation in the Alex's Lemonade Stand sponsored by our own Gladstone Hy Vee. During those two days last weekend, Gladstone residents shopping at Hy Vee donated over \$2,500.00 which will be used for further research related to the treatment of cancer found within children. Again I'd like to express appreciation to our city staff, members from Public Works and Public Safety in supporting and volunteering in this year's Bluesfest sponsored by the Gladstone Chamber of Commerce. Councilman Yarber, thank you for extending a welcome from the City of Gladstone to the Friday evening participants. I understand you did a wonderful job. Thank you. Going right along with Councilmember Moore; this past Saturday the city sponsored its 10th Annual Kids Triathlon. Children from ages 6-14 competed in a competition that included swimming, biking, and running. Pats on the back-Linda Borders and the staff from Parks and Recreation, Public Safety, and Public Works along with many businesses, churches, and Missouri Army National Guard who provided volunteers for this event. It was wonderful. It was so well organized. I spoke with families from Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas and other local communities. It was a great day for everyone. We were able to showcase our Community Center, Linden Square and the City of Gladstone. Going along right with what you have said already, one last comment. Last Friday, the Mid America Regional Council, we refer to them as MARC in many of our conversations, held its Annual Luncheon to present regional leadership awards. Seated to my left is the MC of the program, Co-Chair of MARC, Councilmember Carol Suter. Carol, your presentation was amazing, exemplary. We were all so proud of you and that you were and continue to represent our great city. Congratulations on that, very good."

Item No. 10. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Manager.

City Manager Wingerson stated: "Mayor, thank you. You covered most of it as a Council. Linden Square kicked off last week, 400-450 people enjoyed Platinum Express for the first weekend of Linden Square so that is a very good start. With the programming that is coming forward, I have no doubt that will just be a start. Director Merkey and Arley Hoskin have put together a wonderful plan for this year and we are excited about the energy that will come with that. Next week is Vantage Point. I'm going to read this: They are called the supreme party band of KC. Vantage Point plays hits from artists such as Bruno Mars, LL King, Michael Jackson, Katy Perry and more. That is Friday night. Saturday during the day into the evening is Food, Art, Drink, it's the second of its kind. Last year was the first year. Food trucks, local artists, and after the main event Linden Square hosts La La Land, free screening in the amphitheater itself. We are excited about that. I think the weather will be better than it was last year, if you remember, it was pretty hot. Since it is summer, recreation has done a great job programming things for school age kids at the Community Center. Theater camp starts tomorrow for 7-12 year olds. They learn how to perform and do theater things. The play itself will be called, when they learn it, "Bros, A Tale of Two Plumbers." I don't know how that goes, but it is about an adventure to rescue a princess stuck in a castle by her enemies. I don't know how 'two plumber bros' fit into that, but apparently they do. Another summer class we are excited about is Youth Tech classes. They take place next week. These classes include robotics for 8-14 year olds and video game design for 9-17 year olds. Trying to do things to keep kids busy in our community so they don't get into too much trouble during their summer vacation. Of course we are taking advantage of the outdoor pool and the indoor pool at the Community Center. The last thing is that the Atkins-Johnson

Farm Clay County Cooking Exhibit is Friday evening at 6:00 pm on June 16. Finally, from all of the staff, we thank Councilmember Suter for her service at MARC. We participate at a staff level at MARC and we know how much time and effort it takes for an elected official to do it, especially a volunteer elected official like Councilmember Suter. Thank you on behalf of all of us."

<u>Item No. 11. On the Agenda.</u> RESOLUTION R-17-22 A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Progressive Electronics, Incorporated, in the total amount not to exceed \$41,223.00 for the Community Center Audio Visual upgrades Project CO1658AV.

Councilmember Suter moved to approve RESOLUTION R-17-22 A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Progressive Electronics, Incorporated, in the total amount not to exceed \$41,223.00 for the Community Center Audio Visual upgrades Project CO1658AV. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

<u>Item 12. On the Agenda.</u> RESOLUTION R-17-23 A Resolution adopting the 2018 Annual Operating Budget for the City of Gladstone, Missouri, and authorizing the expenditures of funds for municipal services.

Councilmember Moore moved to approve RESOLUTION R-17-23 A Resolution adopting the 2018 Annual Operating Budget for the City of Gladstone, Missouri, and authorizing the expenditures of funds for municipal services. Mayor Pro Tem Garnos seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 17-13 An Ordinance amending Section 6.110.100 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gladstone, Missouri, regarding water service rates in the City.

Councilmember Suter moved Bill No. 17-13 be placed on its First Reading. Mayor Pro Tem Garnos seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Suter moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 17-13, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Garnos** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Suter moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 17-13, and enact the Bill as Ordinance 4.388. Mayor Pro Tem Garnos seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilmember Jean Moore, Councilmember Carol Suter, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Garnos, and Mayor R.D. Mallams. (5-0)

Item No. 14. On the Agenda. Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the Council.

Item No. 15. On the Agenda. Questions from the news media.

There were no questions from the news media.

Item No. 16. On the Agenda. Adjournment. The Mayor adjourned the Regular City Council meeting at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk

Approved as submitted:

Approved as corrected/amended: __

R.D. Mallams, Mayor