



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
MONDAY, AUGUST 27, 2018**

PRESENT: Mayor Bill Garnos
Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter
Councilmember Jean Moore
Councilman R.D. Mallams
Councilman Kyle Yarber

City Manager Scott Wingerson
City Clerk Ruth Bocchino
City Counselor Chris Williams

ABSENT: Assistant City Manager Bob Baer

Item No. 1. On the Agenda. Meeting Called to Order.

Mayor Garnos opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, August 27, 2018, at 7:45 pm in the Gladstone City Council Chambers.

Item No. 2. On the Agenda. ROLL CALL.

All Councilmembers were present.

Item No. 3. On the Agenda. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Mayor Garnos asked all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and thanked VFW Post 10906: Joe Liles, Stan Stoner, and Al Thompson for presenting the colors.

Item No. 4. On the Agenda. Approval of Agenda.

The agenda was approved as published.

Item No. 5. On the Agenda. Approval of the August 13, 2018, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilman Mallams moved to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2018, Closed City Council meeting as presented. **Councilman Yarber** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman

Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 6. On the Agenda. Approval of the August 13, 2018, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Moore moved to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2018, Regular City Council meeting as presented. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item No. 7. On the Agenda. Communications from the Audience.

George Wages approached Council and stated: *"George Wages, 7201 North Park. My wife and I have lived there for forty years; we have seen a lot of changes. Why I'm here, I received this book five or six months ago (the Gladstone magazine) ... on page 18 it goes on about the code violations, the do's and don'ts and how we make Gladstone beautiful. So, I just want to ask a question. Can a Code Officer write a violation if he sees one? Like a tree, a mowing violation, trash can in front of somebody's door, or does it have to be called in or put into the computer?"*

City Manager Scott Wingerson stated: *"Knowing Mr. Wages, I'm guessing that is a loaded question but I am going to answer it-yes."*

Mr. Wages stated: *"So, month after month on 72nd Street West going to North Oak, hang a left at Quik Trip, hang west to Holmes, took a left, South, to City Hall. Down 72nd, left on Holmes, to City Hall. I counted 12 violations. Yes, 12 violations. Two dead trees, one mow violation, one that has a wrecked vehicle, no license, barrels in front of the house, and eight And the four that really stand out is 1202 NE 72nd Street; there is barrels in front of the house, sand bags like you would put in a trunk, and a wrecked vehicle with no license. 918 NE 72nd Street; trash can in front by the front door. 72nd & Campbell, I don't have the address, but it's right there on Campbell, it's a mow violation and it has a 'for sale' sign on it, and it's got the number on it, the phone number you can call. So this is what really, and I'm going to try to be, I'm kind of nervous, so when you come down Holmes, I can look right up here on Holmes and you have got four violations. So how can we tell somebody on 72nd Street they have a trash can in front of their house, and I can look right up here and see four. I mean, for people coming down, to go to the Community Center, the swimming pool, they see these. It gives them the incentive that if they can do it here, I can do it on Brooklyn, I can do it on Euclid, or many other streets. I can go up Euclid and see a house that has four trash cans in front of the house. So, I want to thank you for listening to me on these concerns and working on solving these problems so we can keep Gladstone beautiful. I need some help because if somebody moves in, and they look up the street, and John Jones has got his out there, well I can put mine out there. It's about to snowball, you get one, you get two, you get three then it is hard to control. On that side, and I really don't get on this side or the other side, just on 72nd Street, 73rd up in there; but I would really appreciate it, if we are going to do things we need to work on things. I think what we ought to do with this*

property, when we send out a violation, we should send one of these (pamphlet on code enforcement) because it states all the violations like trash cans, mowing violations, so when we send it out, I know it is a job where a guy writes it, he's got to go turn it in and then he's got to go up there, 10 days come back, so people coming in and out, need to find a way where we can get it to everybody and try to work on cleaning it up and making it beautiful again, because like I said, I've lived in Gladstone for forty years. I've seen a lot of change. There wasn't a Wal Mart, there wasn't a Hy Vee, none of that. I really appreciate it, for listening to me, and I hope we can work on getting these issues solved. Thank you."

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"There is such a loud 'amen' coming from up here because Councilmembers have been really hot to trot on code violations, too."*

Mr. Wages stated: *"The book, it gives you the dos and don'ts but it really doesn't show you what the main things are. We have two pages of what we have to do, what we can't do, we can't go to an HOA, we can't do this, this kind of tells it all right here. We need to mail this out to everyone with the water bill or something, and say, hey, times over. Time to get it."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"We all take code enforcement very seriously, and we have, in the last couple of years. I think all of us have made a greater push for more code enforcement for the very reasons that you are talking about. You do understand that codes enforcement is a real balance. It doesn't take great skill to find a code violation, and if we were to send out our Building Official and inspectors with a zero tolerance policy, we would have people lined up here complaining for being written up for having ...or something else. We try to maintain that balance, but we are completely dedicated to enhancing code enforcement in the community."*

Mr. Wages stated: *"I know you have because I've called on a few things like a dead tree and a mow violation, they come out and take care of it. I really appreciate it, but there is some way that we have to work, because if we start it, one guy does it, another guy moves in, moves out, up the street, I know you guys are doing a fine job because, I think we take one area at a time and work that out, get zone two, zone three, zone four. Thanks a lot, I appreciate it, have a good evening."*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"Mayor thank you, if I could add some context. Mr. Wages and Mrs. Wages have been friends and supporters of the city for a very long time and I greatly appreciate them coming to share their perspective on code enforcement. You may remember that the Wages were here the night the lights went off here in City Hall, and so later that week, Mr. Wages was nice enough to come share some of the information he provided to you tonight with me. Based on that conversation, we did a code enforcement sweep of his neighborhood which is basically 72nd and North Park, generally speaking. Those statistics, what we found and what action we planned to take, were provided in FYIN around that time and I looked for that tonight so I could share those statistics but we will resurface those for FYIN coming up this Thursday and also share those with Mr. Wages. There were some concerns in his neighborhood. We did a proactive sweep of the neighborhood. If I remember correctly, about 60% or 65% of the violations had to do with the location of trash cans. If you remove those from consideration, it's a smaller number. Meaning, that Mr. Wages neighborhood is really pretty healthy compared to other areas of town. In terms of the drive to 72nd Street, we will look at all the addresses that he talked about tonight. The property on Campbell, as you know, is owned by Randy Robb so that is*

always a bit of a challenge. We will continue to work through that and move forward the best we can. Thank you Mr. and Mrs. Wages for spending some time and thank you for allowing me to provide the context to the Council."

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"I have to say the issue with the trash cans is, that is a newly developing thing in the last five years. That's because all the haulers have gone to the great big containers that they can dump automatically without people. Most of the houses in Gladstone don't have garages that can contain those or we have lots of folks who can't manage those and so it is hard for them to get it from the house out, so we have talked about that, it's like, it's almost impossible to kind of enforce the regulation we have about that because a lot of properties just can't contain it. My take on it is we need to look at that part of our regulations and figure out some kind of new approach about what to do about it. You can't keep citing people if they don't have any place to put those things. Increasingly the haulers don't want to pick those up. They want to have the big containers. Different haulers have different options and that is just a really ongoing challenge that part of the new technology of the trash haulers that has caused this problem and so we have an older code. We have to figure out how we are going to live with all this in maybe some different ways."*

Mr. Wages stated: *"What we have done is we let them pull out a day before, 24 hours before, and they have 24 hours to pull it back. Really they have three days and all they have to keep it in is four. I watched a guy down in Meadow Lane, that is an HOA, where you don't see trash cans, older guy, he pulls his can out and he pulls it in. I know some people can't do that and it's hard but I think one thing we ought to do is like on the side of your house put up a little wooden deal where they can sneak it behind. I think that would help out, too. There are a lot of things you can work on in different ways, I know it takes time. Appreciate it. Have a good evening."*

Inoru Wade approached Council and stated: *"Hi, I'm Inoru Wade, we live at 601 NE 70th Street. I just recently graduated from the School of Public Affairs and Administration at the University of Kansas. I've spent the last three years travelling around the United States doing research on marginalized communities as it relates to public institutions and our public values. My boyfriend and I just recently moved in last month to the City of Gladstone. I was born here, I was raised here off of North Wyandotte. One of the things that I do research on is figuring out whether or not municipalities and counties have any type of non-discrimination ordinances as it relates to sexual orientation/gender identity. I will admit I started my research doing homelessness, and it turned out that it's just a massive catastrophe on all levels; it's not just one issue, but they are all interrelated with one another. When we were researching places to live, we had to use Trulia, and Trulia is a private company, they are the only private company that actually shows LGBTQ individuals what areas are safe for them to be in, in terms of non-discrimination ordinances. That's not something that most people have to worry about, but we do. I work all across the metropolitan area, I give lectures and workshops to the City of Olathe, I am traveling down to Orlando for a national conference with the Reformation Project which is a religious organization that works to reform churches to accept LGBTQ people. I was baptized last year. It is a very important issue to me because of the historical precedence when it comes to it. I have been down to Jefferson City to testify as well. The main thing I get from people who oppose such ordinances is that it is not needed because discrimination doesn't happen. That's not true, number one. Also, when it comes to our public values and our public institutions, we generally*

like individuals to be proactive, not reactive. We are trying to get people proactive so we don't have to have victims before we have action. I can tell you from personal experience comments that I get just walking around, just for wearing a little rainbow flag or having it. But, I am here to express my concerns and hope that we have time to discuss it. I would very much love to see the City of Gladstone adopt a non-discrimination ordinance for sexual orientation and gender identity, it's not in the online code. I have ..."

Mayor Garnos stated: *"It would have been in the last two months that we..."*

Councilman Yarber stated: *"That one was specifically about housing, it's not a general, you're talking about a general..."*

Mr. Wade stated: *"I am talking about a general one that would cover..."*

Councilman Yarber stated: *"Yes, we did address it last year when it was brought to our attention in regard to housing. I certainly understand what you are saying in the bigger picture."*

Mr. Wade stated: *"Just because, I do know these things do happen. Part of the reason is we have historical precedence throughout the United States of local municipalities and county ordinances and laws that are actually designed to closet the LGBTQ identity so that they were afraid to come out and what that does, that invites shame on our residents so they are afraid to stand up for themselves. This is actually a great segue, we were here slightly before this meeting started and I got to hear the opioid one which, drug addiction is something that really destroys a community very badly. Right now, what I try to do is go around school districts to have them get started teaching kids that it's OK to demand for sex because what happens is they have become victims, they will become victims of sexual predators, they will become victims of race, they will become victims of assault. Some students get thrown out by their parents because they are different. This has been declassified in 1973 by the American Psychological Association as just a part of human genetics and yet we are having a hard time adjusting to that. I'm amazed to see the progress and I'm glad people believe it doesn't happen, but it does. I have research to back that up and I'm being published in Administration Theories and Process which is the academic journal that deals with...ordinances and I would just be here all the time. I live right across the street. This is very important to me. It's nice to meet you all."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"We need to make sure Trulia has our housing ordinance."*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"For the Council's benefit, the Municipal Code is updated on line once or twice a year, usually once a year based on the Council's actions. That is in progress now. Certainly anyone can call at any time and find out our views on this subject or any other but I'd like to just say that this Council and previous Council's and this administration and previous administrations have been ahead of the curve as it relates to inclusion and diversity issues. I think if a real estate app doesn't show it that way, people can do a little bit more research and come to the conclusion that we are very welcoming of all people."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"Thank you. We are, and welcome. One of the reasons..."*

Mr. Wade stated: *"Thank you, I'd very much like to call Gladstone our home, permanently."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"One of the reasons we passed that was because Nate reminded us that Gladstone is 'better than that' and that is why we passed that. If there is more we can do or should be doing, you've got a receptive audience."*

Councilman Yarber stated: *"So specific language was added, it was late last year. Sexual orientation and gender identity, that is the specific language as it relates to housing."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"Specifically housing discrimination."*

Mr. Wade stated *"...so it's a little more inclusive and protective in terms of violent harassment and things like that would be beneficial just because as it correlates the idea is that you see your government actually standing up for you and therefore it actually empowers people to stand up against crime, against harassment, which actually becomes that city or that community that stands up for its individuals and actually believes in the dignity of all human life. Very fruitful language and flowery language but it is absolutely true as it relates to other communities that have adopted this sort of language in terms of their municipal laws."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"Thank you, we appreciate it."*

Item No. 8. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Council.

Councilman Yarber stated: *"Yes, I attended an event over the weekend that got a very good response for the first year-the Restoration Run and Walk at the Atkins Johnson Farm and Museum. For the first year event, 150 people participated which raised quite a bit of money, I don't have the exact figure, but raised money both for the farm and museum and for Synergy Services. Another event that is coming up that is going to take place at the Atkins Johnson Farm on September 8 is the Big Shoal Country Fair that will be music, crafts, food, and demonstrations. It's a family friendly event and it is free. As the evening goes on, starting about 3:00, there will be a couple of concerts also at the Atkins Johnson Farm and Museum, starting at 3:00, the Knobtown Skiffle Band, we don't get to see Skiffle bands very often, that's what the Beatles started off as and look how they progressed. Later, the John Brown Boys at 6:00 pm. A lot of things going on. It was great for a lot of people to come out and for a lot of people it was a first opportunity to come out and see how nice the grounds are around it and how much there is to enjoy out there on really a daily basis. Earlier today I went to the ribbon cutting of the Gateway 6th Grade Center just north of Gladstone, the Grizzlies is their mascot. It's great to see the facility. I was taken on a tour by one of the 6th graders and she made sure that we saw everything. It was very impressive and nobody got hurt when they were doing the ribbon cutting."*

Councilman Mallams stated: *"Thank you, Mayor. For those folks that are at home listening and also for our visitors this evening, if you haven't driven past the new developing Hobby Hill Park, you should do so. The multi-generational playground, the climbing rock, the zip line, they have all been installed. The walking trail around the wetlands and the bridges are near completion. Soon it's going to be a wonderful addition to our Gladstone Park system. Mayor, just looking at*

it, the south side sure looks like a great place for Frisbee golf. I'd just like to give a pat on the back to Director Merkey for a good job overseeing this project."

Councilmember Moore stated: *"Thank you, Mayor. I was excited to see the promotion in the Kansas City Star on Sunday that touted Gladstone's shopping center at 64th and North Oak and hopefully this will help to introduce more people to the eating opportunities in that area. Not only in our community but in the entire metro area. I would encourage people to take advantage of all the Asian cuisine that is in that new area."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"I'm going to share the same KUDOS to the folks at Saigon Plaza. They got a whole page in the Star. It was really great. I hope that it helps them to grow the business there at Saigon Plaza. It's been a busy last week. EMAC met the week before last and had an update on our energy savings program and a review of the history of single source refuse. They had an extensive discussion about potential future schedule of discussions around that issue. I had the opportunity to attend the VIP reception for the Restoration Run on Friday night which was a really nice opportunity to get to speak with some sponsors. One of the cool things about this event was that there were some super volunteers, one who used to run this city, who did a great job of finding some new sponsors, people who hadn't supported things in Gladstone before, that was really exciting that we are getting new people. We went from that reception to Linden Square which was a great night again with a huge crowd at Linden Square on Friday night. We have had several really big nights this year which is great. Again, lots of people come in and often for the first time and discover something that has been there now for six years. I'm losing track. Just like the Atkins Johnson Farm, we walked on Saturday which, again, was a very well run event. It's so amazing to those of us who spend all our time focusing on these things but most of the people in the area don't even know the Atkins Johnson Farm exists. They don't know what it is for, people said to me 'could we come here on any day and walk the trail?' yes you can. I know Erica was in the museum and was concerned for a while that people weren't coming in to the museum, and I think people don't get that part yet, we probably need to have a big sign that says 'Come on In' and see the house because again, people were just kind of trying to get their heads around the whole thing and what a great resource it is but still we have to remind ourselves. Most people don't see the news, they don't get any kind of publication, they don't really pay that much attention so they still don't really know about a lot of the activities in Gladstone. We have to keep working on communicating and inviting new people in new ways to experience what we have."*

Mayor Bill Garnos stated: *"I have a couple of items. The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting was cancelled last week and the Neighborhood Commission meeting scheduled for next week has been cancelled so I've gotten out of both of those. I was not able to get out of the Northland Regional Chamber of Commerce meeting or the Gladstone Chamber coffee but they did have a nice coffee at Marx Family Dental. That was nice. I attended Dunkin' Dogs on Saturday. I really enjoyed it. It was really popular. I just enjoyed watching the people and the dogs and the community there. It also reminded me that these events don't just happen on their own. I remember years ago saying 'hey wouldn't it be a lot of fun if we let all the dogs play in the pool on the last day' and now you go there on Saturday and there were countless park staff working, we had two Animal Control Officers there checking the dogs in and out, making sure everything was well run. It was a good event but it takes a lot of work on the part of city staff."*

Thank you for making that another successful and well regarded city activity. I know everybody that was there that I saw just really, really enjoyed it. Also last week I had the privilege of attending a meeting with city staff to coordinate the 2020 Census already. We are already starting to talk about the coordination of that. It's going to be very important for Gladstone. We are going to participate fully and I think just between some of the changes in the last decennial between Linden Woods and The Heights, we should see some growth that we maybe haven't seen in some previous censuses. That is already started. Finally I'd like to wish a happy 91st birthday to our Commission Emeritus Member Anne Alexander, so happy birthday to her."

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

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"Thank you, Mayor and City Council, for the kind comments tonight. I have a couple of follow up comments. Dunkin' Dogs is a partnership between our Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Arts Department and Animal Control in Public Safety. It does take a lot of work to make that happen. The program is growing. The first year was last year and we had 108 dogs; Saturday there were 161 dogs counted. It's growing and obviously very, very popular so thanks to everybody that works on that. The Restoration Run was also a partnership, obviously with the Friends of the Atkins Johnson Farm; Mr. and Mrs. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. Kramer were instrumental in raising funds for that program but I'd like to specifically thank again our Parks Department, our Public Works Department and White Chapel for making sure that the grounds of the walk and run were as good as they could be. Sounds on the Square coming up August 31 is the Scott Perry Band; Friday, September 7, 7:00-9:00 is Cherry Bomb, always a favorite; and City Hall will be closed on Monday, September 3; and a note to the public following up on Councilmember Mallams comment about Hobby Hill: it is still a construction site so be very, very careful for liability reasons and we are trying to organize a field trip for the Council to get some time out there in the next two to three weeks; that timeframe; for a sneak peek before it is completely finished."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"Does it have a shelter house?"*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"It has a shelter house, sort of."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"I went by last week and it didn't. Now we have a shelter house!"*

Item No. 10. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-18-53 A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Shawnee Mission Ford, Shawnee Kansas, for the purchase of three (3) 2019 Ford Police Interceptor SUV Vehicles for the total purchase amount of \$87,255.00.

Councilman Mallams moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-18-53** A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Shawnee Mission Ford, Shawnee Kansas, for the purchase of three (3) 2019 Ford Police Interceptor SUV Vehicles for the total purchase amount of \$87,255.00. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 11. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-18-54 A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Independent Salt Company for the purchase of snow removal salt.

Mayor Pro Tem Suter moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-18-54** A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Independent Salt Company for the purchase of snow removal salt. **Councilman Mallams** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT MONTH END JULY, 2018. **Councilman Mallams** moved to approve **FINANCIAL REPORT MONTH END JULY, 2018.** **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. PUBLIC HEARING: Fixing the Annual Rate of Levy.

Mayor Garnos opened the Public Hearing at 8:18 and stated: *"During the Public Hearing we will hear first from city staff, followed by those in favor of the annual rate of levy and then by those opposed."*

Finance Director Dominic Accurso stated: *"Good evening, Mayor and Council. First I want to apologize for all the different numbers we've seen over the past couple of weeks on the levy. First we started out with the preliminary numbers that we received in June from the county; it's very customary for them not to have the state utility on there so at the time it was \$13,000,000.00 short. Before we had a chance to get the final numbers we received on August 22, we had to have the Public Hearing advertised. For those numbers, we did have the first valuation, again, the numbers were not correct. I saw them and looked and worked with the state and county to get another revised schedule which we didn't have in time for the Request for Council Action so we actually have a different set of numbers for you to look at. The numbers that are certified by the state auditor are the correct amounts. The numbers off to the left are actually what was advertised, so you can see the difference between the two, I'm going to touch on what the actual levy is going to be. So, the total residential is going to be \$240,961,830.00; agriculture is \$34,610.00; that did not change at all. Commercial was \$61,797,325.00 was also up a little bit, for a total real estate of \$302,793,765.00. That is up almost about \$2,000,000.00 from the previous year. Personal Property, I've actually talked to several finance directors around the area. It has declined. That was a concern of everybody. We talked and Personal Property taxes are always a difficult thing because values change throughout the year. People buy new boats, buy new cars, buy new all-terrain vehicles, things like that. We do have it set right now at \$65,440,661.00 which is down a couple of million from the previous year. As you can see, actually how it translates into the money from valuation, we are expected to receive \$2,238,535.00 for residential real estate; \$322 from agriculture, \$573,479.00 for commercial. Once again this year the levy was set at .929 for residential, agricultural, and personal and Commercial property is set to .928 I have some phone calls into the state to find out why, to understand a little bit better. Personal Property came in at \$604,265.00 for a total levy of \$3,416,601.00. That is down about \$1,000.00 from last year. Basically what that translates into*

is we expect to usually get about 95% of real estate levy and usually we exceed about 105% for Personal Property tax levy so that number really is difficult to get down. Total revenues do exceed slightly what we have budgeted so we do have a little bit of wiggle room, hopefully we will have a bit of room this year for that. With that said, I'm happy to answer any questions you may have."

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"Why is it so hard to get all the numbers?"*

Finance Director Accurso stated: *"I don't know, but I had a lot of heartburn, needless to say, when I got the first final valuation. It was about \$14,000,000.00 low. I picked up the phone really fast and started making some phone calls. Apparently, nobody else's numbers changed but ours. We got left off the list."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"The numbers from the county or the state?"*

Finance Director Accurso stated: *"From the state utilities. It says state and railroad but I've lived here for close to 40 years and I've never known any trains coming to town. It is the public utilities I went through and got the details."*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"Part of the concern in getting the numbers, it's fun to talk about the county, but their deadline to submit it to the cities and our deadline to turn it back around is always problematic. It's always a very short turn around period. If we have any concerns or questions, it's always a rush to the deadline. I think the recording day is tomorrow?"*

Finance Director Accurso stated: *"I have till Thursday, this is going to be a record; we have it two days early this year."*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"It's a timing issue."*

Councilmember Moore stated: *"I just want to say I truly appreciate you being so on top of this. It makes a big difference."*

Mayor Garnos stated: *"I can't imagine bad numbers coming from Jefferson City but I'm glad our eyes are open to that."*

There were no other comments or questions from staff.

Mayor Garnos asked if there was anyone here who would like to address City Council in favor of the annual rate of levy.

There were none.

Mayor Garnos asked if there was anyone here who would like to address City Council in opposition to the annual rate of levy.

There were none.

Mayor Garnos asked if there was anyone from the audience or city staff to address City Council.

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"Just for the public record is the rate of the levy changing?"*

City Manager Wingerson stated: *"No."*

Mayor Pro Tem Suter stated: *"It's the same rate that we have had."*

Mayor Garnos closed the Public Hearing at 8:24 pm.

Item No. 14. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 18-35 An Ordinance enacted pursuant to Missouri Revised Statutes Section 67.110 fixing the annual rate of levy for the 2018 Real Estate and Personal Property Taxes within the corporate limits of the City of Gladstone, Missouri.

Councilmember Moore moved Bill No. 18-35 be placed on its First Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Moore moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 18-35, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilmember Moore moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 18-35, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.442**. **Mayor Pro Tem Suter** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 15. On the Agenda. FIRST READING BILL NO. 18-36 An Ordinance approving the Re-Plat of Lot 1, McDonald's Antioch Road addition (commonly known as 6305 North Antioch Road), and directing the appropriate officials to affix their signatures to said Plat for recording.

Councilman Mallams moved Bill No. 18-36 be placed on its First Reading. **Councilmember Jean Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Mallams moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 18-36, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilmember Jean Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Mallams moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 18-36, and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.443**. **Councilmember Jean Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilmember Jean Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Carol Suter, and Mayor Bill Garnos. (5-0)

Item No. 16. On the Agenda. Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the Council.

Item No. 17. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

Mayor Garnos adjourned the August 27, 2018, Regular City Council meeting at 8:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted:



Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk

Approved as presented: 

Approved as modified: _____



Mayor Bill Garnos