

MINUTES REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING **GLADSTONE, MISSOURI MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2019**

PRESENT: Mayor Carol Suter

Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore Councilman Bill Garnos Councilman R.D. Mallams Councilman Kyle Yarber

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

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

Mayor Suter opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, June 24, 2019, at 7:33 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 Suter asked all to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and thanked VFW Post 10906 for posting 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 June 10, 2019, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilman Mallams moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2019, Closed City Council meeting as presented. Councilman Yarber seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

<u>Item No. 6. On the Agenda.</u> Approval of the June 10, 2019, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2019, Regular City Council meeting as presented. Councilman Garnos seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 7. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: PARKS AND RECREATION MONTH

Mayor Suter read and presented the Proclamation to Director Merkey.

Item No. 8. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerk's reading:

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

Councilman Mallams moved to approve RESOLUTION R-19-29 A Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 11 in the amount of \$197,257.50 to the contract with Lan-Tel Communications Services, Incorporated, for the 2019 Curb, Gutter and Sidewalk Project TP1804. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Councilman Mallams moved to approve RESOLUTION R-19-30 A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with American Fidelity Assurance Company via the partnership with Midwest Public Risk for the changes to the Administration of the City of Gladstone's Flexible Benefits Plan. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Councilman Mallams moved to approve the OUTDOOR SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS:

Independence Day Celebration, 7600 N. Troost Avenue, Oak Grove Park, Thursday, July 4, 2019, 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm.

Theater in the Park, 7600 N. Troost Avenue, Oak Grove Park, Friday July 5, Saturday, July 6, Sunday, July 7, Friday, August 2, Saturday August 3, Sunday, August 4, 2019; 5:00 pm to 11:00 pm nightly.

Children's Garden Day, 4109 NE Pleasant Valley Road, Atkins-Johnson Farm & Museum, Saturday, July 13, 2019, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Big Shoal Country Fair, 4109 NE Pleasant Valley Road, Atkins-Johnson Farm & Museum, Saturday, September 7, 2019, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Cookies and Photos with Santa and Mrs. Clause, 4109 NE Pleasant Valley Road, Atkins-Johnson Farm & Museum, Saturday, December 14, 2019, 11:00 am to 9:00 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Councilman Mallams moved to approve the FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MONTH END MAY 2019. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item No. 9. On the Agenda. Communications from the Audience.

J.N. Hernandez approached Council and stated: "My name is J.N. Hernandez, I live at 6817 Jason Smith Court. I just wanted to give a reminder for one of the events that is going on at Linden Square this weekend on Sunday is Northland Pride's inaugural event. This is an event to empower, unite, and celebrate the LGBTQIA Community. Again, it's on Sunday, June 30, from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm. I also want to extend a thank you to the City of Gladstone for hosting us this year. It is very exciting and hopefully it will be a good event and I hope to see everyone there. Thank you."

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

Councilman Yarber stated: "Thank you. A couple of other events that are coming up. On the 27th is the Fourth Annual Old Timer's Alzheimer's Fund Raiser and Comedy Show taking place. We are happy that it is the second year it is happening in Gladstone. It used to take place in Zona Rosa, so another thing that we have stolen from Zona Rosa. It will be on Thursday at the Groundhog Day Theater. No money to come in but David Scott, the gentleman who is hosting it, does so because he lost his wife to complications from Alzheimer's several years ago. He said to bring plenty of money for the Silent Auction and the constant request for donations. The Mayor mentioned the rain over the weekend which did rain out the Gladstone Classic Car Concours. This will be taking place this weekend. It's supposed to be good weather. It will be taking place Sunday morning. We may start it earlier because it is going to be a hot day. It will probably start around 9:00 to about noon. We still have the Stanley Steamer coming. We are working on making sure we still have plenty of interesting old vehicles at the event. And of course this raises funds for Oak Hill Day School."

Councilman Mallams stated: "Thank you, Mayor. With our city's Mayor, I attended the Flag Celebration in the recognition of the Vietnamese Community that resides in the Kansas City Area which was conducted at our own Saigon Plaza here in Gladstone. During this event, Mayor

Suter shared the progress of our city's economic development and she extended a thank you to the developers of the Plaza. I have to say, Mayor Suter, your presentation to the participants was exceptional. You made us feel proud. Mayor, you did a good job."

Councilman Garnos stated: "Thank you, Mayor. I just wanted to mention the Flagpole Dedication at Hobby Hill Park Thursday morning at 10:00 am where we will be dedicating the Flagpole that the American Legion so generously donated to the city."

Mayor Pro Tem Moore stated: "Thank you, Mayor. I wanted to give a shout-out to everybody in Parks, Recreation, Cultural Arts, and all the other city staffers who were involved in putting together Food, Art, Drink this weekend. We had a little problem on Saturday night, obviously, with the rain. There was a lot of dedication, effort, and energy to make that happen. Thanks a lot."

Mayor Suter stated: "Thank you. Friday night was really a great night there as well. I've been involved in a number of things, of course, in the last couple of weeks. I represented Gladstone on the Board of the Northland Regional Chamber and participated in their strategic planning retreat which happened here in the Innovation Center. For many of the people on that committee or in that activity, it was the first time they have been in the building so it was really good exposure and it gave us an opportunity sitting up high to talk about what else was going to be going on as they looked out the window. That was good. The Mid America Regional Council had its annual event last week. It was my pleasure to speak at the Saigon Plaza grand opening and the Vietnamese American Communities Association event. It was a full military ceremony to dedicate flags at Saigon Plaza, and exciting to get to know more of the folks and the investors and developers and business owners who are in that Plaza. I also had the privilege to attend a networking breakfast with the Business Journal newspaper who had a 'get to know their staff' event which was very helpful. I made some good connections. I think we have a reporter who is very interested in coming up to learn about Gladstone. I was interested to learn that they have figured out, finally, that they need to expand their coverage area beyond the downtown focus and they figured out that the Northland is where it's at. They really are interested in learning more. They just don't know how to get their arms around the Northland because it is not 'a' thing, there is not anyone in charge of the Northland, so it's very hard for them to figure out how to get at it. We will try to be helpful to them to figure out how to do that. Friday night at the Food, Art, Drink event we hosted a VIP Reception. Thank you to staff who put in the extra time and effort to pull that event off. It was a nice event. Again, made some good connections with those who do business in the city and are looking to do business in the city. I appreciate that. We recognized Reverend Bob Baier for his 40 years in ministry, we sent flowers and congratulations to him. That was yesterday. I also wanted to express my appreciation to the SAGE students and again to our staff who work with the students in the schools around here. They completed a project at the Atkins-Johnson Farm, which are these information panels, that really add a lot to the educational value of people being on the premises. I know it takes extra time and effort for Parks and Recreation staff; especially to work with these different projects, but it really helps us to get some additional benefits that we probably wouldn't have the budget for and certainly is a help to the students to learn more about history and about parks and the importance of some of the facilities that we have. Lastly, I wanted to congratulate Public Safety on their ISO #2 rating. again, for the second time, that puts us in the top 5% of Fire Departments in the country who

were rated. KUDOS, great job, and we always like to see that kind of recognition come our way when we do a great job."

Item No. 11. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Manager.

City Manager Wingerson stated: "Thank you, Mayor, and members of the Council. I add my thanks to everybody who worked on Food, Art, Drink. It was a good festival. I think it started with humble beginnings and all of you remember how it started. Director Merkey knows best how it started its first year. It was quiet. It's really growing and I'm pleased with the progress and I think over the next three to five years it will be the festival that we are known for. Thanks for all the good and hard work to everybody on the staff part and for Council's support. Anecdotally, someone mentioned the rain a couple of times. It rained a lot in a very short period of time on Saturday night, and our system held up miraculously well. I think that is really good planning, really good funding, really good support from the Council, but most importantly, great operations in our Public Works Department to keep those sewers clean and free so that the water can flow. Thanks to everybody who helped out with that over the last year, or two, or five, or ten! Whatever the case may be. Thank you, Mayor."

<u>Item No. 12. On the Agenda.</u> FIRST READING BILL NO. 19-25 An Ordinance amending Chapter 160 of the Gladstone City Code to update its regulations relating to Solicitation within the City.

Councilman Garnos moved Bill No. 19-25 be placed on its First Reading. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the First Reading of Bill No. 19-25, waive the rule, and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Mayor Pro Tem Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0). The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of Bill No. 19-25, and enact the Bill as Ordinance 4.475. Mayor Pro Tem Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Kyle Yarber, Councilman R.D. Mallams, Councilman Bill Garnos, Mayor Pro Tem Jean Moore, and Mayor Carol Suter. (5-0)

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. Other Business.

There was no other business to come before the Council.

Item No. 14. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

Mayor Suter adjourned the June 24, 2019, Regular City Council meeting at 7:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Ruth E. Bocchino, City Clerk

Approved as presented:

Approved as modified:

Mayor Carol J. Suter