



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
JUNE 24, 2024**

PRESENT: Mayor Tina Spallo
Mayor Pro Tem Les Smith
Councilmember Jean Moore
Councilman Bill Garnos
Councilman Spencer Davis

City Manager Bob Baer
Assistant City Manager Austin Greer
City Attorney Chris Williams
City Clerk Kris Keller

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

Mayor Spallo opened the Regular City Council Meeting Monday, June 24, 2024 at 7:30 pm.

Item No. 2. On the Agenda. Roll Call.

Mayor Spallo stated that all Councilmembers were present and there was a quorum.

Item No. 3. On the Agenda. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Spallo asked all to stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. She thanked the VFW Post 10906 Color Guard: Carla Gleaton, Gordon Harris, and Jim Cox.

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

The agenda was approved as published.

Item No. 5. On the Agenda. Approval of the June 10, 2024, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024, Closed City Council meeting as presented. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Item No. 6. On the Agenda. Approval of the June 10, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2024, Regular City Council meeting as presented. Councilmember Moore seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Item No. 7. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: National Parks and Recreation Month.

Mayor Spallo read and presented the Proclamation to Director Justin Merkey who recognized and thanked the staff and community.

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

Jim Oldebeken, 400 NE 76th Terrace, thanked City Manager Baer and Mayor Spallo for recently discussing the IRIS services with him. He shared points about his conversation with a KCATA staff member regarding his questions and concerns about his IRIS experience. He also stated the KCATA staff shared thoughts, concerns, and challenges with the system. He expressed his concerns about potential delays for individuals who use it out of necessity and reported it to be a very good service with fantastic potential. He shared a conversation he had with a Kansas City Area Transportation Authority (KCATA) bus rider who had not heard about IRIS and has to use public transportation due to health issues. He reported a positive conversation he had with Clay County Commissioner Scott Wagner regarding the challenges, concerns, and history of the KCATA. Finally, he expressed his concern and disappointment that the Kansas City Mayor did not choose a representative from Clay County to serve on the KCATA Board.

Debra Dobbins, 7612 N. Broadway, discussed the water levels of the creek on her farm and recommended that the City request the engineering and architecture firm that designed the park and wetlands return to confirm the process is working as intended. She shared issues regarding silt in a pond in the wetland areas that feed two creeks and several small springs and believes it could change the course of the water. She expressed her concerns about the cave and the water on NE 76th Terrace.

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

Councilman Garnos commented on the Hobby Hill Park project Mrs. Dobbins was referring to and recalled it was a late addition and additional funds were spent to ensure the proper filling and draining of the pond. He stated he wouldn't be averse to ensure it's working as intended and he recalled the City was very sensitive to the project. He reported he attended the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting and shared the board updates on the following projects: Flora Park, conversion of the tennis courts to pickle ball courts on NE 72nd Street, dog park, Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum Barn, and the Community Center Pool. He stated that the Vice-Chair of the board provided a presentation on advocating for a Traffic Garden also known as Safety City for children. He shared that he recently attended the Board of Zoning and Adjustment meeting and a second electrical service was granted for a house.

Councilmember Moore announced that she and Mayor Spallo attended a volunteer recognition event hosted by the Northland Shepherd Center. She reported that the Center provides many things to Northland and Gladstone residents.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith referred back to Mr. Oldebeken and shared his disappointment that the Kansas City Mayor appeared to disregard the candidates submitted by the Clay County Commission for appointment to the KCATA board and the Kansas City Mayor had chosen an individual that worked for the City. He expressed his disappointment that Clay County does not have a representative to speak on the board of the KCATA, because it would offer support to the cities in the Northland.

Mayor Spallo extended an invitation to attend the art dedication of the "Monarch Girl" sculpture at Oak Grove Park, Friday, June 28th at 10:00 am. She reported that it is the commitment of the City to provide artwork in the City's park and public areas.

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

City Manager Baer announced the Annual Fourth of July Celebration at Oak Grove Park, July 4th, 7:00 pm and reported that City Hall will be closed July 4, 2024.

Item No. 11. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerks' reading:

Councilmember Moore moved to approve the Consent Agenda as published. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve the **Special Event Permits:**

Big Shoal Country Fair, Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum, Saturday, September 28, 2024, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Scarecrow 5K Run/Walk, Linden Square, Sunday, October 6, 2024, 5:30 to 9:30 am.

Friday Night Fright, Happy Rock Park East, Friday, October 18, 2024, 5:00 to 9:00 pm.

Big Shoal Cemetery Tours, Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum, Saturday, October 19, 2024, 7:00 to 10:00 pm.

The Alzheimer's Association "Walk to End Alzheimer's", Happy Rock Park West, Saturday, October 19, 2024, 7:30 to 11:45 am.

Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Linden Square, Tuesday, December 3, 2024, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

Photos and Cookies with Santa and Holiday Nights, Atkins Johnson Farm and Museum, Saturday, December 7, 2024, 10:00 am to 9:00 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-32**, A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from MHC Kenworth, for the emergency repair of a 2013 Ford F450 ambulance in the amount of \$23,764.74. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-33**, A Resolution accepting easements from certain property owners in conjunction with the Northeast 68th Terrace and North Bellefontaine Storm Drainage, Project CP2432. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-34**, A Resolution declaring certain City Property Surplus and authorizing the sale and/or disposal of such property held by the City to the highest bidder via online auction, sealed bid, and/or otherwise disposed of as approved by the City Manager. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-35**, A Resolution authorizing acceptance of a proposal from Shawnee Mission Ford, Shawnee, Kansas, for the purchase of four (4) 2025 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor vehicles for the total purchase amount of \$175,700.00. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-36**, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Coop Fence and Construction, LLC in the total amount not to exceed \$18,596.41 for the Antioch Water Tower Fence Replacement, Project WP2492D. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-37**, A Resolution authorizing Change Order No. 7 in the amount of \$36,904.35 to the contract with Orr Construction Management, Incorporated, for the 2022/23 Water Mains Replacement Project WP2386. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Councilmember Moore moved to approve the **FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 11 MONTHS ENDING MAY 31, 2024**. **Mayor Pro Tem Smith** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. **RESOLUTION R-24-38**, A Resolution authorizing Amendment No. 3 to the contract with Cook, Flat and Strobel Engineers, Incorporated in the total amount not to exceed \$15,618.00 for the design of the Linden Connector Trail, Project TP2373.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve **RESOLUTION R-24-38**, A Resolution authorizing Amendment No. 3 to the contract with Cook, Flatt, and Strobel Engineers, Incorporated in the total amount not to exceed \$15,618.00 for the design of the Linden Connector Trail, Project TP2373. **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. **FIRST READING BILL NO. 24-20**, An Ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a program agreement between the City of Gladstone and the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for Federal Transportation Enhancement Funds to construct the Linden Connector Trail- Federal Project TAP-3323(413), City Project TP2373.

Councilman Garnos moved **BILL NO. 24-20** be placed on its First Reading. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0) The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the First Reading of **BILL NO. 24-20**, waive the rule and place the Bill on its Second and Final Reading. **Councilman Davis** seconded. The Vote: “aye”, Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0) The Clerk read the Bill.

Councilman Garnos moved to accept the Second and Final Reading of **BILL NO. 24-20** and enact the Bill as **Ordinance 4.674**. **Councilman Davis** seconded.

Roll Call vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0) **Mayor Spallo** stated **BILL NO. 24-20** stands enacted as **Ordinance Number 4.674**.

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

There was no other business.

Item No. 15. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

Mayor Spallo announced that Councilmembers will reconvene to Closed Session and the Regular City Council meeting would be adjourned at the completion of the Closed Session. Since the meeting was to discuss personnel issues, the clerk was excused from the meeting and Amanda Wheeler kept notes of the closed session.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

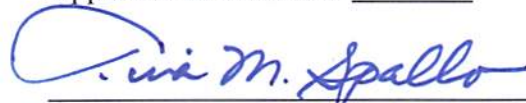
Respectfully submitted:



Kris Keller, City Clerk

Approved as presented: _____

Approved as modified: _____



Tina M. Spallo, Mayor