



**MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
GLADSTONE, MISSOURI
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025**

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, March 24, 2025 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, Jim Cox, Gordon Harris, Joe Liles, and Jim Zimmerman.

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 March 10, 2025, Closed City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilmember Moore moved to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2025, Closed City Council meeting as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Smith 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 March 10, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting Minutes.

Councilman Davis moved to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2025, 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 Autism Awareness and Acceptance Month-Logan Eaton.

Mayor Spallo read and presented the Proclamation to North Kansas City High School student, Logan Eaton and congratulated him on all of his accomplishments.

Item No. 8. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: Arbor Day.

Mayor Spallo read and presented the Proclamation to Shelly Hersh and invited everyone to the Arbor Day celebration, Friday, April 4, 2025, at Hobby Hill West Park.

Item No. 9. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: Animal Control Officer Appreciation Week.

Mayor Spallo read and presented the Proclamation to Chief Farris, on behalf of the Gladstone Animal Control Officers. She announced a groundbreaking for the new dog park scheduled April 7, 2025. Additionally, she expressed her gratitude to the Animal Control Officers for their hard work, as they often face challenging situations.

Item No. 10. On the Agenda. PROCLAMATION: National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week.

Mayor Spallo read and presented the Proclamation to Savannah Melton, Gladstone Communications Officer and Chief Farris. She also thanked and congratulated all the Communications Officers for their hard work and dedication.

Item No. 11. On the Agenda. Communications from the Audience.

Jim Oldebeken, 400 NE 76th Terrace, addressed the Council to discuss forgotten patriots, specifically William Boydston, a Revolutionary War veteran who later settled in Gladstone, and is buried in the Faubion cemetery. He emphasized the importance of recognizing forgotten patriots who helped shape early America. He also expressed concerns about current views of the government and suggested reconnecting with history as part of planning for the country's 250th anniversary. He mentioned local government leaders' involvement in monthly meetings for the 250th celebration, the group's reorganization, and the receipt of a grant. Lastly, he paid tribute to a friend he admires for his civil discourse, personal integrity, and meaningful contributions.

Item No. 12. On the Agenda. Communications from City Council.

Councilman Davis congratulated Chief Farris on recently becoming a grandfather.

Councilmember Moore shared that she attended the grand opening of El Mercado Fresco supermarket, located at 6999 North Oak Trafficway in Saigon Plaza last week and encouraged everyone to visit. She emphasized the importance of voting on April 8, 2025, and staying informed about the issues and candidates on the ballot.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith reiterated what Councilmember Moore stated regarding the election, apologized to Mr. Jim Oldebeken for not being available to re-engage in the 250th celebration planning and thanked him for his continued contributions to the 250th celebration.

Mayor Spallo shared a thank you note from residents near NE 60th and N. Forest regarding the recent streetlight installation in front of their home. They expressed their appreciation for the outstanding communication and customer service they received from Public Works staff. Additionally, she reported participating in the Northland Regional Chamber Youth Development Program, noting that the students were fully engaged, and she enjoys being in the public and educating young people about city government and the impact it has on the community.

Item No. 13. On the Agenda. Communications from the City Manager.

City Manager Baer made the following announcements:

- Arbor Day celebration, Friday, April 4th at Hobby Hill Park. In honor of being a proud member of Tree City USA, the City will be planting a tree at the park beginning at 10:00 am.
- Ground breaking for the Dog Park, April 7th at NE 76th and NE Antioch Road, Happy Rock Park East.

Item No. 14. On the Agenda. CONSENT AGENDA.

Following the Clerk's reading:

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

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve **SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS:**

Hobby Hill Disc Golf- Dynamics Disc KCMO, LLC, will sponsor the Nexus Flexus, one-round flex-start PDGA C-tier disc golf tournament, Saturday, March 29, 2025, 7:00 am to 6:00 pm.

Dynamics Disc KCMO, LLC, will host a weekly flex-start singles disc golf league, Tuesdays', April 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025, 3:00 to 7:00 pm

Atkins-Johnson Farm and Museum: Big Shoal Heritage Area Farm, April 1, 2025 through November 30, 2025.

Big Shoal Cemetery Tours, Saturday, October 18, 2025, 5:00 to 10:00 pm.

Photos and Cookies with Santa, Saturday, December 6, 2025, 12:00 to 3:00 pm.

Holiday Nights, Saturday, December 6, 2025, 7:00 to 9:00 pm.

Happy Rock Park West: Walk to End Alzheimer's, Saturday, October 11, 2025, 7:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Linden Square: Mayor's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Smith moved to approve **MONTHLY FINANCIAL UPDATE FEBRUARY YTD 2025.** **Councilmember Moore** seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

REGULAR AGENDA.

Item No. 15. On the Agenda. RESOLUTION R-25-21, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a proposal from Schulte Supply, Incorporated, to provide new hardware, software, and training associated with the City's Automated Water Meter Reading (AMR) System.

Councilmember Moore moved to approve RESOLUTION R-25-21, A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to accept a proposal from Schulte Supply, Incorporated, to provide new hardware, software, and training associated with the City's Automated Water Meter Reading (AMR) System. Councilman Garnos seconded. The Vote: "aye", Councilman Davis, Councilman Garnos, Councilmember Moore, Mayor Pro Tem Smith, and Mayor Spallo. (5-0)

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

There was no other business.

Item No. 17. On the Agenda. Adjournment.

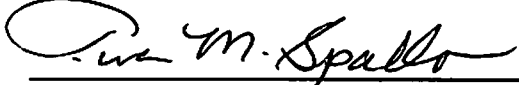
Mayor Spallo adjourned the March 24, 2025, Regular City Council meeting at 7:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Kris Keller, City Clerk

Approved as presented:  _____

Approved as modified: _____


Tina M. Spallo, Mayor