

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
February 28, 2022
6:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on February 28, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call in the Council chambers: Boyer, Templeton, Venz, Wehner and Tinnin. Present via Zoom: Councilman Dennis. Absent: Councilmen Cook and Underwood. Mayor Sam Richards presided over the meeting. Also present in the Council chambers were City Administrator Greg Camp, Finance Director Stephanie Cunningham, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Public Works Director Matt Unrein, Building Official Mark Harris, Interim Fire Chief Chris Spradling, Police Chief Tim Lewis, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis. Present Via Zoom City Attorney Brian Malone.

Council, staff, etc. then said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Consent Agenda

Mayor Richards announced the bills were in the amount of \$268,337.56. City Administrator noted that the bill for salt purchased was for 560 tons delivered which increased the cost to \$5,257.40 and the invoice for the April election in the amount of \$5,140.00. Motion to approve the bills, minutes of the Council Meeting of February 14, 2022. Motion was made by Councilman Venz, seconded by Councilman Boyer and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none.

Correspondence - none

Visitors

Jim Berger addressed the Council providing two options for the Council to consider for repairing the pickle ball courts in Jokerst Park. One option was to power wash, fill 1275 ft. of cracks, fill 10 low areas, resurface, color and stripe at a cost of \$16,870 or the other option to fill 1275 of cracks, touch up color and stripes at a cost of \$2,950.

Bids - none

Ordinances and Resolutions

Bill No. 4667 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Annexing to the City certain real property described herein; determining that said annexation is reasonable and necessary to the proper development of said City; and that the City has the ability to furnish normal municipal services to the area to be annexed; and specifying the new boundary lines to which the city limits are extended by reason of said annexation. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4667 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. City Administrator Greg Camp stated that 1 Cave Top Lane was previously annexed but that a small portion of the property was not included in that Ordinance and this new Ordinance clears that up. **Councilwoman Templeton made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4667 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilman Venz. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4667 for the second time. Bill No. 4667 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Templeton, Venz, Dennis, Tinnin and Wehner; Nays – none.**

Bill No. 4668 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Final Plat of Savanna Place Plat 2; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4668 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4668 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4668 for the second time. Bill No. 4668 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4668 passed.**

Bill No. 4669 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Final Plat of Festus Commerce and Business Center Plat 7; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4669 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Tinnin made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4669 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilman Venz. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4669 for the second time. Bill No. 4669 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4669 passed.**

Bill No. 4670 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Final Plat of Birchwood Estates Plat Five; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4670 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4670 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilman Boyer. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4670 for the second time. Bill No. 4670 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4670 passed.**

Bill No. 4671 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Approving the Minor Plat Lots A & B Lucy Parks; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4671 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Building Official Mark Harris gave a staff report. **Councilwoman Templeton made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4671 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4671 for the second time. Bill No. 4671 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4671 passed.**

Bill No. 4672 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Adding Section 705.235 Cross Connection and Backflow Controls in the Municipal Code of the City of Festus, Missouri; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4672 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Public Works Director Matt Unrein gave a staff report. **Councilman Boyer made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4672 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilwoman Templeton. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4672 for the second time. Bill No. 4672 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4672 passed.**

Bill No. 4673 – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri; Adding Section 705.290 Lead Ban in the Municipal Code of the City of Festus, Missouri; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4673 for the first time. Mayor Richards called for discussion. Public Works Director Matt Unrein gave a staff report. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4673 for the second time, motion was seconded by Councilwoman Templeton. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4673 for the second time. Bill No. 4673 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Venz, Dennis and Tinnin; Nays – none. Mayor Richards declared Ordinance No. 4673 passed.**

New Business

2022 Roadblock Schedule

Clerk Patek presented for approval the list of 2022 Roadblocks as follows:

January, February, November and December roadblocks are not allowed.

March – Twin City Amvets Post 171

April – VFW Buddy Poppy

May – Shop with a Cop

June – Our Cancer Hero

July – Shop with a Cop

August – Festus Fire Department

September – Mapaville State School PTO

October – Knights of Columbus

Clerk Patek stated it was the same as last year and that all the organizations on the list had filed the proper paperwork. Councilman Wehner asked about any other organizations wanting to have a roadblock and Clerk Patek stated she had not received any other requests and that any organization would have to meet the City's

requirements. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to approve the 2022 Roadblock Schedule, seconded by Councilman Boyer. Motion carried unanimously.**

Four Brothers Mead Festival Request

Dan Luck of Four Brothers Mead requested permission to host a festival on Saturday, April 23, 2022 from noon to 9:00 p.m. and to close Second St. from Behring east 200 feet just prior to Witte Jewelers. The request is also for usage of the park grounds just behind the Ball Barn building as well. **Councilman Wehner made a motion to approve this request, seconded by Councilwoman Templeton. Motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business - none

Reports

Councilman Boyer – Thanked Public Works Director Matt Unrein and his crew for fixing

Councilman Wehner – Commended the street department on their snow removal efforts. Asked about the practice of using salt on the roadways during ice/snow storms and salinization effects on the environment and would like to discuss this some time. Matt Unrein stated the state of Missouri uses beet juice and that would be something the City could look into.

Councilwoman Templeton – Great job on snow/ice removal.

Councilman Venz – Great job on snow/ice removal.

Mayor Richards – Commended the Street Department on an excellent job on both recent snow/ice events and that he received no complaints during these events.

CLOSED SESSION

Councilwoman Templeton made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Missouri Law for the purpose of dealing with matters relating to RSMo. 610.021 (3) personnel. Motion was seconded by Councilman Venz and approved by the following votes: Ayes – Boyer, Wehner, Templeton, Dennis, Venz and Tinnin; Nays – none.

Adjournment

Councilman Boyer made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Wehner. On a call by the chair the motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.