

City of St. John
Council Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2024

1. Call to order

Mayor Bobby Stimatze called to order the regular meeting of the St. John City Council at 7:00 PM on October 15, 2024, at City Hall. The following council were present: Aaron Raines, Aaron Gleason, Kyle Bunker, Sara Woolf, and Mark Bryant.

City Personnel: Curtis Smith, Jason Wyatt, Michael Sanders, Tori Perez, and Pam Watson.
City Attorney: Danny Lynch.
Attendance: None

2. Additions to the Agenda

- a) Mail drop-off box at the Post office under new business.

Gleason moved to approve the mail drop-off box to be added under new business. Raines seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) 7 minutes executive session to discuss non-elected personnel.

Raines moved to approve a 7-minute executive session to be added under executive session. Gleason seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

3. Citizen Comments – None

4. Stafford County Economic Development

- a) Stafford County Main Street Program

The director could not make the meeting due to scheduling conflicts.

5. Consent Agenda

- a) Regular Council Meeting Minutes – October 1, 2024

Raines moved to approve the regular council meeting minutes for October 1, 2024. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- b) Appropriation Ordinance #101524AP - \$112,342.04

Raines moved to approve appropriation ordinance #101524AP in the amount of \$112,342.04. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) EBH & Associates - \$11,000.00 (Engineering services for 5th Street Project)

Raines moved to approve EBH & Associates invoice in the amount of \$11,000.00. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- d) Petty Cash - \$261.70

Gleason moved to approve the petty cash in the amount of \$261.70. Raines seconded. The motion carried 5-0

6. Committee & Department Head Reports

- a) Electric Supervisor—Discuss the Foley contract approved at the previous meeting. There was a misunderstanding, so we did not sign the contract as approved. The electric supervisor will look into different companies for options.
b) Water/Sewer Supervisor—Discuss the water rights for well #6. The council has decided to keep our current water rights. Also, discuss removing the sprinkler system at the sewer pond—a consensus of the council to remove the sprinkler system.

Raines moved to table the water rights for water well #6 to old business. Bryant seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

- c) Street/Park Supervisor – None

- d) Police Department – Discuss the truck parking issues.

- e) Fire Chief - None
- f) City Clerk - Discuss the housing project update report. The clerk is to send a reminder to the director of SFCO Economic Development to submit the monthly report. Also, discuss the income restrictions on the house that is ready to sell. The clerk is to clarify this with the director since we were informed that there will not be restrictions on these houses. Discuss about the S&S towing contract. The clerk is to talk to the owner and bring a new contract back to the council.
- g) City Attorney - None

7. Old Business

- a) Property code violations –
 - a. 518 W 4th – Resolution #2023-07
 - b. 101 E 5th – Resolution #2023-06
 - c. 406 E 1st – Resolution #2023-11
 - d. 112 S Monroe – Resolution #2023-04
- b) 5th Street Road by White’s Foodliner
- c) 2024 Housing Violations—The council was presented with an updated list. The clerk will proceed with the next step of the abatement process.
- d) Code Enforcer—City personnel report to the clerk when they see violations, and the clerk sends violation letters to the property owners.

Raines moved to remove Code Enforcer from the Old business. Gleason seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

8. New Business

- a) The mail drop-off box is in front of the Post Office – Discussion about the box being against Chapter 13, article 1, section 110 – Obstructing sidewalks. Options were discussed to help keep the box from getting damaged if the postmaster is to move the box back to the alley. The clerk is to present these options to the postmaster.

9. Executive Session

- a) Raines moved for 7 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A 75-4319(b)(1) to include the Mayor, City Attorney, City Council, and City Clerk. Bryant seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The open meeting will resume in the Council Chamber at 8:20 PM.

The Mayor called the regular council meeting back to order at 8:20 PM. No action was taken.

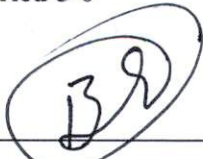
- b) Raines moved for 5 minutes for the City Council to recess into executive session to discuss the non-elected personnel exception, K.S.A 75-4319(b)(1) to include the Mayor, City Attorney, City Council, and City Clerk. Bryant seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The open meeting will resume in the Council Chamber at 8:26 PM.

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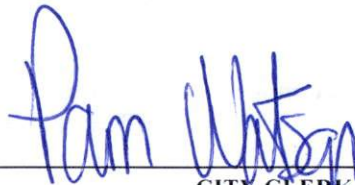
10. Adjournment

- a) Next Regular Council meeting will be held Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at 7:00 PM at the St. John City Hall

Gleason moved to adjourn the regular council meeting. Raines seconded. The motion carried 5-0



 MAYOR



 CITY CLERK