

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES  
April 11, 2018  
6:50 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri held a public hearing on April 11, 2018 at 6:50 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 711 W. Main Street for the purpose of the annexation of land to the City of Festus, Missouri described as 1713 Scenic Drive, Lot One of Huckie Acres (full legal description available in the office of the City Clerk). All interested parties were welcome to attend. Mayor Cage called the hearing to order at 6:50 p.m. City Clerk Kerry Patek stated this was the second step in the process of annexation, the petition was read at the last Council meeting and then after this hearing, the final step would be an ordinance brought to Council at the next meeting. Clerk Patek stated the property owners would like to tap on to the city sewer system. No public comment was received. Mayor Cage closed the hearing at 6:55 p.m.

**FESTUS CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
April 11, 2018  
7:00 p.m.**

The City Council of the City of Festus, Missouri met in regular session on April 11, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The following Council members were present for roll call: Tinnin, Wehner, Wilkey, Underwood, Gray, Venz; Absent – Cook. Mayor Mike Cage presided over the meeting. Also present City Administrator Greg Camp, City Clerk Kerry Patek, Police Chief Tim Lewis, Fire Chief Kevin Cremer, Parks Supt. Larry Crites, Finance Director Pat Parsons, Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis and City Attorney Melissa Vighi.

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

**Minutes**

Minutes of the March 28, 2018 council meeting were presented for approval.

**Councilman Underwood made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Councilman Wilkey. Motion carried unanimously. On a call by the chair, minutes of the council meeting were then approved.**

### **Warrants**

Mayor Cage reported warrants in the amount of \$580,207.50. Councilman Wehner made a motion to approve the warrants, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. On a call by the chair the votes were as follows: Ayes – Wilkey, Wehner, Underwood, Gray, Tinnin and Venz; Nays – None. **Warrants were then approved.**

**Visitors** - none

### **Correspondence**

### **Certification of Election Results**

Clerk Patek read the results of the April 3, 2018 Election which were as follows:

Treasurer	Lori Eisenbeis	835 votes
Councilman Ward I	Gary Underwood	134 votes
Councilman Ward II	Marcus Shepherd	85 votes
Councilman Ward II	Brian Wehner	149 votes
Councilman Ward II	Tim Montgomery	63 votes
Councilman Ward III	Bill Gray	188 votes
Councilman Ward IV	Jim Tinnin	196 votes
Councilman Ward IV	Mike Quirk	81 votes

### **2018 Our Lady Picnic 5K**

A representative from the Our Lady's Parish requested permission to hold their third annual 2018 Our Lady Picnic 5K on Saturday, June 2, 2018 starting at 8:00 a.m. The representative from Our Lady's stated she had received permission already from the Festus Park Board. Police Chief Tim Lewis stated he was aware and ok with the event. Council approved the request unanimously.

### **Appointment to Vacant Council Seat**

Mayor Cage stated he would like the Council to approve this appointment of Dave Boyer to the vacant Council seat left by Paul Schaffer in Ward I. Roll call vote was as follows: Ayes – Wehner, Wilkey, Tinnin; Nays – Gray, Underwood, Venz. Mayor Cage broke the tie by voting for Dave Boyer.

## **ADJOURN SINE DIE**

Councilman Gray made a motion to adjourn sine die, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously.

Clerk Patek asked all the newly elected officials to come before her for the swearing in ceremony. Those sworn into office were Treasurer – Lori Eisenbeis, Councilmembers – Gary Underwood, Brian Wehner, Bill Gray, Jim Tinnin and Dave Boyer.

Councilman Brian Wehner was nominated to serve as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilman Gray made a motion to close the nominations, seconded by Councilman Underwood. Council voted unanimously to elect Brian Wehner as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Councilman Tinnin made a motion to reconvene to regular session, seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.

**Bids** - none

## **Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Bill No. 4443** – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Festus, MO.; Amending Section 400.020 – Composition, Section 400.030 – Compensation, Section 400.040 – Terms and Section 400.050 Officers of Chapter 400 – Planning, Article I – Planning and Zoning Commission in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Festus, Missouri; and establishing an effective date. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4443 for the first time. Mayor Cage called for discussion. Greg Camp gave a staff report. **Councilman Venz made a motion to suspend the rules and read Bill No. 4443 for the second time, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Patek read Bill No. 4443 for the second time. Bill No. 4443 was approved by the following votes: Ayes – Gray, Venz, Wehner, Underwood, Tinnin, Wilkey and Boyer; Nays – none; Mayor Cage declared Ordinance No. 4443 passed.**

## **New Business**

### **Appointment to Planning and Zoning Commission**

Mayor Cage stated he would like to re-appoint the following members of the Planning and Zoning Commission:

Mark Freiner, David Davis, Christine Mudd, Dale Persch and Roger Hurst.

Councilman Venz made a motion to approve these re-appointments, seconded by Councilman Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Cage informed the Council that he would be serving on the Planning and Zoning Commission also and that he would like to appoint a Council liaison. Councilman Tinnin volunteered to be the Council liaison. Council approved unanimously.

**Old Business** - none

## **Reports**

City Administrator stated his written report was in the packet which included the items listed below.

- Several local retailers and community representatives made a presentation to the Jefferson County Council regarding the coordinated placement of a Use Tax proposal on an upcoming ballot
- Trane has been on-site for several weeks completing the City Hall/PD HVAC project
- Preliminary draft of the city's website is under review by staff
- Attended monthly meeting of Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation
- Met with James Gurley – Lighting Associates regarding the lighting retrofit at the Library
- April 16<sup>th</sup> will be meeting with Matt Clemens, Josh Whaley and Bill Haag, project manager with Jacobs Engineering to get started on the WWTF project
- Have been selected to serve a three year term on the newly created MIRMA health committee. We are fortunate that Jefferson County will be well represented as Bryan Richison from the City of Arnold is also on the committee

Councilman Underwood – Congrats to new Councilman Dave Boyer and to the others who won their elections.

Councilman Wehner – Stated that he was very happy about the City working in conjunction with the YMCA to bring programs to the community. Congrats to all those winning their elections.

Councilman Boyer – Like the City working with the YMCA on programs for the community also. Stated he was thankful to be allowed to serve on the Council and that he will do the best job he can for the City and citizens.

Councilman Wilkey – Congrats to Councilman Boyer and to all the others on winning their elections.

Councilman Gray – Congrats to Councilman Boyer and to all the other on winning their elections.

Councilman Venz – Congrats to Councilman Boyer and to all the other on winning their elections.

Councilman Tinnin – Congrats to Councilman Boyer and to all the others. Asked Chief Lewis if it was possible to establish “no parking” on the street behind the barbershop and Comtrea. Chief Lewis stated he would look into it.

Treasurer Lori Eisenbeis – Congrats to everyone.

Police Chief Tim Lewis – Asked permission to sell two old Crown Vic Patrol Cars. Council approved request unanimously. Congrats to Dave Boyer and all others.

Fire Chief Kevin Cremer – Congrats to all those winning the elections. Stated the Fire Department is going to be reviewed by ISO in July. Councilman Gray asked if the water department and building codes would be reviewed also. Chief Cremer stated he would have to check with Matt Clemens on that. Chief Cremer stated that the department would be holding a mock drill on drunk driving at Festus High School this Friday at 9 a.m.

City Administrator Greg Camp – Stated Matt Clemens was at a floodplain management conference. Mr. Camp stated that bids were opened on Monday for streets in the Sunset Park group and that Jokerst was the low bid and it would be brought to Council for approval at the next meeting. Mr. Camp stated that they have been having issues with the lights in Sunset Park and stressed the importance of getting this problem taken care of as soon as possible. Mr. Camp requested that he be able to proceed with getting quotes and taking care of this problem and that he would let Council know via email what was going on, what was being spent, etc. Councilman Gray asked if the public works department could do the trenching to save money.

Mr. Camp stated they were looking into doing that. Finance Director Parsons reminded Mr. Camp to re-appropriate the funds for this out of the parks/stormwater fund. Mr. Camp stated the park department budget could just not absorb this kind of expenditure. Council agreed unanimously to allow Mr. Camp to proceed.

City Clerk Kerry Patek – Congrats to everyone on the election. Stated there was a new business opening at 34 Main Street across from Pogolinos which would be a retail boutique and that they're grand opening is this coming Saturday.

Finance Director Pat Parsons – Stated there was a sales tax report included in the packet and that the figures were looking good.

Park Supt. Larry Crites – Informed Councilman Wehner that he checked on the price of the wind screens and it was \$475.00.

Mayor Cage – Stated he would like for the Council to consider putting four new tennis courts at Sunset Park and a new pickleball court and that he would like them to consider using the airport money and look into this in next years budget. Greg Camp stated that the Festus school district has voiced some willingness to support this project. Mayor Cage stated we have new bathrooms a new concession stand in this park and they are not being utilized. Greg Camp stated that as part of this project is the updating of the electric service.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilman Venz made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Tinnin. On a call by the chair the motion carried unanimously. Meeting then adjourned.