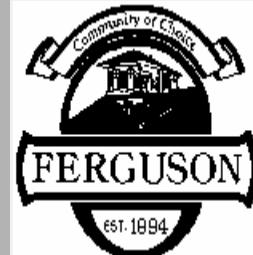


FERGUSON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Council Meeting, October 26, 2004
Work Session, 7:00 P.M.
Council Meeting, 8:00 P.M.

CITY HALL
110 Church Street



The regular meeting of the Ferguson City Council was called to order at 8:00 p.m. on October 26, 2004, by Mayor Steven Wegert, in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 110 Church Street, Ferguson, Missouri. Mayor Wegert requested that everyone stand for a moment of silent prayer, after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. On roll call the following Council members were present:

Mayor Steven Wegert
John Corson
Keith Kallstrom
Mark Crinnion
James Hines
Peggy Faul
Bill Duncan

Also present were City Manager A.J. Krieger, Attorney Martin Barnholtz and City Clerk, Debbie Matthies. Mrs. Matthies declared a quorum was present.

Mayor Wegert welcomed all present and explained the meeting would be the Public Portion and the Business Portion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Blue Tapp Scheffer – 705 N. Florissant Road – welcomed back Councilman Hines, reminded everyone of the Town Hall Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 28, 2004 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 1115 S. Florissant Road and encouraged everyone to support Proposition 1 and Proposition 2 on the November 2 ballot. Ferguson events and Proposition information may be found on the www.fergusonforward.com website.

There being no further public comments, Mayor declared the public portion closed at 8:05 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes

Council Meeting Minutes – October 12, 2004. A motion was made by Mr. Crinnion, seconded and carried to accept the minutes as presented.

Council Meeting Closed Minutes – October 12, 2004. A motion was made by Mr. Crinnion, seconded and carried to accept the minutes as presented.

Senior Citizens Commission Minutes – October 7, 2004. A motion was made by Mr. Crinnion, seconded and carried to accept the minutes as presented.

Ferguson Neighborhood Improvement Program (FNIP) – September 27, 2004. A motion was made by Mr. Crinnion, seconded and carried to accept the minutes as presented.

Park Board Minutes – October 19, 2004. Discussion - Mr. Crinnion requested Staff to check into the sponsoring of a mini-triathlon as part of the 4th of July festival. Staff will follow-up. A motion was made by Mr. Crinnion, seconded and carried to accept the Park Board Minutes as presented.

APPOINTMENTS - No Boards and Commissions Appointments at this time.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager, A.J. Krieger explained the items on the agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2004-30 – Authorizing donation of surplus property (bicycles) to the Walker Scottish Rite Clinic for Childhood Language Disorders and Kingdom House was introduced by Council as a Whole and read by Attorney Barnholtz. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7 – Kallstrom, Crinnion, Hines, Wegert, Faul, Duncan, Corson
NOES: 0

Resolution passes

Resolution No. 2004-31 – Recognition for six years of service for Gregory Casem and the late Canine Officer “Flik” was introduced by Council as a Whole and read and presented by Director of Public Safety, Thomas Moonier. Chief of Detectives, Lt. Dan DeCarli, Officer Gregory Casem and Canine Officer Dan-O were present. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7 – Crinnion, Hines, Wegert, Faul, Duncan, Corson, Kallstrom
NOES: 0

Resolution passes

Resolution No. 2004-32 - Authorizing the City Manager to appoint a City Attorney and execute a contract for services was introduced by Council as a Whole and read by Attorney Barnholtz. The City Manager chose the Law Firm of Curtis, Heinz, Garrett & O’Keefe, P.C. Kevin O’Keefe and Stephanie Karr of the firm were present.

Mr. O’Keefe thanked Council and the City Manager for the appointment and looks forward to working with the City of Ferguson.

On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES: 7 – Hines, Wegert, Faul, Duncan, Corson, Kallstrom, Crinnion
NOES: 0

Resolution passes

PROCLAMATIONS

Red Ribbon Week – October 23-31 – was introduced by Council as a Whole and read by Attorney Barnholtz.

REQUESTS

A motion was made by Mayor Wegert, seconded, to approve a Temporary Liquor License for Victorian Plaza, Northern Lights Parade, Sunday November 28, 2004. Applicant Michael J. Straetz, Motion approved unanimously.

BILLS REQUIRING SECOND READING

BILL NO. 6701 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF FERGUSON, MISSOURI, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY TO ACCEPT FOR CITY DEVELOPMENT AND BEAUTIFICATION, REAL PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS LOCATOR NUMBERS 12H410316; 12J310860; 12J310824; 12J310815; 13H632274; 13H630184; AND 13H632186, HELD IN TRUST BY THE TRUSTEE OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY. A FEE OF \$27.00 (TWENTY SEVEN DOLLARS) PER PROPERTY TO COVER THE RECORDING OF THE DEED IS REQUIRED; EFFECTIVE WHEN, introduced by Council as a Whole and read the first time

Discussion: The properties that were reviewed, but not selected, were due to the grade not being appropriate for building, they were too narrow or there were other issues which made the properties not suitable for building.

A motion was made by Mr. Corson, seconded and carried to read the Bill a second time and place it upon its passage. On roll call vote, the motion carried as follows:

AYES – 7 – Wegert, Faul, Duncan, Corson, Kallstrom, Crinnion, Hines
NOES – 0

Bill No. 6701 was declared passed and sent to the Mayor for signature. Bill No. 6701 thus became Ordinance No. 2004-3228 and is permanently recorded in Book 26 on page 194.

MISCELLANEOUS

Peggy Faul – The tree dedication was a success and a good opportunity to show the City of Ferguson, the trees looked gorgeous as our Tree City USA. Welcomed the Soma Coffee Shop and attended their grand opening on Saturday, October 23. Thanked the PROUD Committee for their Halloween paintings. Mrs. Faul had comments and concerns regarding FSBD and monies spent on Farmers' Market and Northern Lights. Commend the Police Department for their donation of bicycles to the Walker Scottish Rite Clinic for Childhood Language Disorders.

Bill Duncan – welcomed back Councilman Hines and reminded everyone to vote on November 2, 2004 and to vote for Proposition 1 and 2.

John Corson – welcomed back Councilman Hines, thanked Officer Greg Casem and

thanked Attorney Martin Barnholtz for sitting in as City Attorney. Discussed other Municipality sales tax increases that are facing similar situations, as Ferguson. Mr. Corson feels it is important to maintain the level of quality of service for our community and for everyone to vote on November 2. Mr. Corson commented on a newspaper article regarding the Creve Coeur Town Center concept, which is gaining strength. Mr. Corson feels this is a new urbanistic approach to downtown areas. Reminded everyone of the Town Hall Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 28, 2004 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 1115 S. Florissant Road.

Keith Kallstrom – The tree dedications reached a record of 16 trees. Reminder to vote on November 2, 2004 and get educated on the issues and to please support Propositions 1 and 2. Go Cardinals!

Mark Crinnion – welcome back Councilman Hines and thanked Attorney Martin Barnholtz.

James Hines – thanked everyone for their prayers, cards and flowers.

Mayor Wegert – thanked Attorney Barnholtz for his service and appreciated the help and advice.

Attorney Barnholtz – enjoys working with the City and enjoyed working with Council and if he is ever needed again please call, welcomed back Councilman Hines.

A. J. Krieger - Town Hall Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Thursday, October 28, 2004 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 1115 S. Florissant Road. Reminder that there is one Council Meeting in November on November 16, 2004 at 7 p.m. The Council Meeting on December 14 is when Council will recognize the Boards and Commission members who have finished a full term. Due to the Holidays, Council confirmed that there will be one December Council Meeting on December 14, 2004.

Mr. Hines – attended the Housing Board of Appeals meeting and the members are doing a fine job.

There being no further business to consider, the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Debbie Matthies, City Clerk