



Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting
Telemeeting Via Zoom Video
May 22, 2023
Regular Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.

The two thousand four hundred and forty-eighth meeting of the Jennings City Council was held on Monday, May 22, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in person and via Zoom Video.

A. Regular Meeting

1. Call to order – the meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Read Decorum Ordinance

4. Roll Call

Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton (via Zoom), Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

Also Present Mayor Gary Johnson, Deletra Hudson, City Clerk, and Sam Alton, City Attorney

5. Approval of the Agenda

On the motion made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Brown, the City Council approved the agenda for the meeting. All in favor; none opposed.

6. Approval of the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2023

On the motion made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Clower, the City Council approved the minutes from the Regular Meeting of April 24, 2023. All in favor; none opposed.

B. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONERS, REMONSTRATIONS, COMPLAINTS, AND REQUESTS

1. Comments by the public. (Please sign in. Comments are limited to 3 minutes. See Decorum Ordinance.)

Freddie Bracy shared he has seen some improvements in the 3rd Ward, as well as from St. Louis County Police Department.

Steve Pokorny congratulated the newly elected officials and Mayor Johnson on their win. He stated it was great to see Stephanie on the streets hand-delivering business license paperwork to business owners. He said it was great for her to see the good, bad, and ugly of West Florissant. Mr. Pokorny said the city needs a plan, because he is the only one trying and they need to get other businesses involved.

State Rep. Yolonda Fountain Henderson reported the flags at Buzz Westfall Center were torn and dirty. She said you couldn't recognize the City of Jennings flag or the United States flag. She stated it's good to see the Council working together. She reported cars that were parked the wrong way are now parked the right way. She stated it was a good idea for the city to include the residents in the trash service decision. She reported as she drives around, she sees a lot of residents who

have entered the Curb Appeal Contest and houses that are under repair coming down. She said she will be home for a while and she's not due back until January 2024. She reported she has witnessed and has a picture of a fox on her street. She said she is willing to help any Councilperson if they need help with anything. She went on to say thank you and you will see more of her.

Shirley Wayne, 5828 Janet Ave., thanked the Police Department. She stated she always attends the Neighborhood Watch meetings, and she wishes other residents would participate. Mrs. Wayne said she's dealing with a few issues in her community. She reported there's a lot located at 5829 Helen. She said a pick-up truck without a license plate came by and dumped furniture and trash. She reported 5825, 5818, and 5832 Janet are vacant properties with overgrown grass and vegetation. Mrs. Wayne then asked if there was anything in an ordinance that talks about Pitbull Dogs not being on a leash.

Sharon Stewart asked if the code inspectors have been certified to issue a summons. Mrs. Stewart asked where's the city with the trash company as far as making a decision. Mayor Johnson stated the City has a 30-day extended contract with Republic Services until they negotiate what the residents have asked for. She then asked Jim when will the 8400 block of Osborn street repair be completed. Jim stated they are concentrating on the grass and right now, they don't have the manpower at the moment to complete the repairs. He reported they did put in the budget to hire contractors. Mrs. Stewart then asked where is the city with the audit. Mayor Johnson stated they need 59 more signatures.

Lynder Scott thanked the city for the changes that have been made. She reported there's an area on Cozens and Center and it looks like an eyesore. She said she sent photos, and nothing has been done about it. She asked if anyone could go out and look at that area. Mrs. Scott asked if the city could look at the flowers in the median, at Buzz Westfall Center. She said since the city is making improvements let's be outstanding in making important improvements.

Elzy Mitchell, 8878 Trudy Ave., reported Jennings Station Road and Halls Ferry has a hump that has been there for over a year. He stated he knows Jennings has a housing code because he has seen houses in Jennings where the roof is coming off the house and people still living in the home. He said other municipalities have inspectors go around and check the houses and give out written notices. Mr. Mitchell suggested Councilmembers Brown and Wilson should form a street party to get to know their residents. He reported a house on Shannon and Cozens, he said it looks worse than Sanford and Son's house. He then reported a house on Jennings Station Road and Shannon, he said you have to pull out to make a left turn because of the weeds and grass.

Terry Buford, 2601 Kinamore Dr., reported she put 8428 McLaren in the system and checked the progress and didn't see anything. 2600 Kinamore Dr. doesn't have trash service and the grass needs to be cut. As well as 8409 Sunbury. She stated the semi-trucks are starting to park on the Goodwill lot again. Mayor Johnson stated those addresses are in the system and they will check 2600 Kinamore for trash service.

JoAnne Clay, reported 5556, 5544, and 5533 Albia the grass is high. Mrs. Clay asked what can the city do about loud music. She then asked about the speeding cars in Jennings. Mayor Johnson stated there is an ordinance for loud music. Sam stated in the code, loud music is prohibited. He said it's one of those things where you could contact law enforcement.

James Williams Jr., 5618 Hamilton Ave., congratulated Mayor Johnson. He stated he wanted to applaud the council because he sees a lot of agreement versus the past. He said he can tell things are happening in his neighborhood because before nothing had been done. Mr. Williams reported a house next to him on Hamilton Ave. there are a lot of trees on the property. He also reported there is a derelict vehicle that has been there for years at 5620 Hamilton Ave.

Justin Herm, 2331 Shannon Ave., stated at the last council meeting Mayor Johnson was being referenced as Mayor Austin. He asked Councilwoman Brown if she could identify who the current Mayor is. Councilwoman Brown stated Mayor Johnson. Mr. Herm stated he has lived in Jennings for several years. He reported Jennings Station Road and West Florissant has bumps all over the place. He said he knows it's under Saint Louis County, but it would be nice if the county could step in and fix the roads. He agreed with Mr. Mitchell, he said he sees Councilwoman Brown in Ward 2, but he doesn't see Councilman Wilson much. He said he thinks they should have a block party to engage with the residents. He reported he does see some improvements with the Police

Department, but Jennings has a crime problem. He reported at Ada Wortley & Berkay that a man's ac and heating and cooling units has been stolen and his van has vulgar things on it and the windows are busted out. He said the city needs to come up with a plan to stop all the crime. Mr. Herm went on to say that he does see some changes. He mentioned there was a clean-up festival in Ward 2 and that he is thankful that happened. He said the Republic Town Hall was nice but there were times people were referencing a Republic person by their first name. He said if someone is trying to get a contract and people are calling them by their first name that's not good business.

Terri Carter, 5673 Wilborn Dr., stated she lives in the 4th Ward and she has been working with Councilwoman Clower. She said her concerns are the grass cutting. She said she and some of her neighbors called last year about a resident at 5665 Wilborn Dr. the grass needs to be cut. She said the grass is extremely high. She reported 5662 and 5664, someone purchased those properties last year and they stopped construction and the grass is very high. Ms. Carter also reported 5674, a new tenant just moved in and she believes he doesn't have an occupancy permit. She said the young man moves someone in every six months. She asked if anyone could look into that.

Peter Steward, 5670 Wilborn Dr., reported the owners at 5674 Wilborn do not have air or heat but they keep renting out the home without it and the grass is knee-high. He said he lives at the bottom of the hill on Wilborn. He asked the council if he could get a speed bump, because cars are zooming through.

Rayburn Wilkins, 9228 Riverwood Dr., stated his concern is the crime. He thanked the officers for an issue 18 months ago, where they removed some young people off the streets selling drugs. He reported 9232 Riverwood Dr., people are selling drugs in front of the house. He said the young guys come through and congregate and mug the residents. He said they are also running a repair shop without licenses and they can't get in and out of their driveways. He reported 9231 has junk cars in the driveway without plates and 9229 has excessive trash. He reported there are potholes at 9020 that has torn up his cars. He said he has seen young guys running through his backyard as well.

Lisa Wilkins, 9228 Riverwood Dr., reported she has complained about 9223 Riverwood Dr. repeatedly because the owner has a guy that comes to cut the front yard but not the back yard. She said there is a huge dead tree in the back yard and the limbs are falling into the neighbor's yard. She said the landlord needs to be held accountable. She said someone finally came out and said the home is inhabitable. She reported 2667 Ranchdale has two big trash cans filled with trash. She said it looks like no one lives there. She said 2067 has tall grass. She said Saturday she witnessed an undercover cop bringing someone up the street in handcuffs. She said they need police presence there.

2. Councilmember's Reports (Reports are limited to 5 minutes. See Decorum Ordinance.)

Councilman Stichnote reported on May 6th that Wards 1 and 2 had a clean-up and it went well. He thanked Woodland School who had a picnic at Lions Park on Friday for cleaning up after themselves. He asked Jim if they are going to replace the speedbumps on Hord. He also reported there will be a concert at 7 p.m. Councilman Stichnote stated there has been a lot of shots being fired and asked Captain Mann if the shot spotter is still working. Captain Mann stated every Monday he gets a shot spotter report for the area. He said last week they received 20 activations but only one revealed a crime. Councilman Stichnote asked if the shot spotter works on the North and South end of the city. Captain Mann stated yes, it works off a triangular pinpoint and there are towers placed throughout the city.

Councilwoman Woods stated she agrees with what Mr. Mitchell said earlier about having Ward block parties. She reported she got a call from Anna Williams who lives on Darnell Place. She said the resident had an inspector come out twice because there was water washing out dirt onto her concrete. She said Inspector Johnson was supposed to get back to her, but he never did. Councilwoman Woods stated she has lived on her street for 20 years and recently she's been having problems with her next door neighbor. She said he threw a rope in a tree and a branch fell and he pushed it into her front yard. She said she has called the police several times and they did nothing. She said her neighbor has threatened to shoot her and she doesn't feel safe in her own home. Councilwoman Woods stated last Friday she checked her mail, and she had a notice stating her yard is considered a nuisance because she didn't pick up a tree limb that someone else put there.

Councilwoman Brown reported the street clean-up on May 6th was very enjoyable. She talked about the Curb Appeal Contest, and she mentioned 3 schools are participating as well. Councilwoman Brown stated there was an incident in Jennings Place, Building 3 the elevator wasn't working. She reported there was a follow-up meeting last Tuesday and it was a great turnout for the residents.

Councilman Wilson thanked Mayor Johnson. He stated they had a conversation about the plans for Ward 2. He stated he received several phone calls about the tree removal grant. He went on to thank Jim for the installation of the stop signs in Alexandria Place. He then asked Willie what's the grass-cutting schedule in the park. Willie stated it depends on what's going on in the week but typically Thursday and Friday. Councilman Wilson stated there are 13 positions open at the moment and he encouraged people to go apply. He reported Monday, May 22nd from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. with Beyond Housing there will be an open discussion about the Metro Link routes going North and South. He went on to congratulate the 2023 High School graduates.

Councilwoman Morton reported she attended the National Women's Conference Luncheon. She said she met with the Ameren rep, to hopefully talk about cutting down trees. She stated she met with Councilwoman Clower, MSC, and Monument of Faith to talk about the clean-up for Wards 3 and 4 and a potential block party. She stated the Ward 3 meetings will be on June 10th, August 12th, October 14th, December 9th, February 10th, 2024, and April 24th, 2024 at 2 p.m. She said the meeting is to meet the new Councilwoman, Councilwoman Roberts and to come up with a strategy to move forward. She reported she met with Republic Services representatives as well. She mentioned that Aja Owens is also on zoom and wanted her to mention she is giving away diapers to families who need them. She said you can email bethechangenowstl@gmail.com or call 314-396-9157.

Councilwoman Roberts reported 5429 and 5425 Fletcher Ave. people are leaving their trash cans out even after the trash has been picked up. She stated there is an overgrown bush on Apricot Ave. and a vacant house at 5422 Fletcher Ave. that has tall grass. 5310 McLaran has overgrown grass and trees are growing onto the street. 26 Kinamore Dr. has tall grass on the front and back. Councilwoman Roberts stated it was reported on March 27th to the Building Department. 8407 McLaran, the tree needs to be cut in front of the house. She stated she has the owner's information as well.

Councilwoman Clower reported she, Councilwoman Quinn, and a few residents have been in discussion with MCU about organizing a Ward clean-up and block party. She said nothing has been finalized but they are still in discussion. She went on to mention that Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church is having an event on June 10th from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. She encouraged everyone to come out if they can. She stated the Public Works Department is currently cutting grass this season. She asked the residents to be patient with Jim and the Public Works Department. She said they are also cutting tree branches, starting from Janet Ave. She stated they are putting stickers on the doors so the residents will know the times they will be out. Councilwoman Clower reported the Code Enforcers are driving around issuing citations and it has been a big improvement. She said demolition has started in the City of Jennings. She stated developers are currently building homes in the 4th Ward as well. She reported the Public Works Department now has a set schedule to walk the neighborhoods and pick up trash. Councilwoman Clower stated she and Councilwoman Quinn have been working together to help residents without trash services. She expressed how she was impressed with how Mayor Johnson engaged with the community. She said many residents were amazed at his vision for the City of Jennings and she is getting calls from residents saying they see change for the good. She went on to thank the Building Department, the inspectors, the Economic Development Department, and Public Works.

Councilwoman Quinn stated everyone is working well together but they do need the resident's comments and concerns. She said she is in the process of creating a mailing list as well. She said she did create a Facebook group called Jennings Community (GICC) and encouraged the residents to join the group. She stated it's for all Wards and residents and she will share all Ward information. Councilwoman Quinn reported the grass-cutting is starting soon and the contract has been approved. She stated that derelict houses are being torn down and she encourages everyone to keep reporting them. She reported the feral cat population is an issue she has concerns about. She stated she has been in touch with the feral cat Outreach and they are doing TNR. She stated she is going to put together an email list for the people who don't do social media. She reported

she received the trash disconnection list and she is sending applications out for those who need them. She went on to talk more about the Wards block party.

Councilman Wilson stated he made a mistake with the date and time for the Beyond Housing Meeting. He said the meeting is tonight May 22, 2023, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. He encouraged everyone who can't make it tonight to make plans to join the meeting on May 31st which will be virtual.

3. Mayor's Report

Mayor Johnson stated together everyone achieves more. He reported they are blitzing the 4th Ward. He stated Jim has put a crew together and they have a 42-foot lift, a dump truck, and a 6-man crew. He stated they started on the 5700 block of Janet and have worked their way $\frac{3}{4}$ of the way down. He said they are clearing the branches off the streets, so you'll be able to see down the street to help identify things in the neighborhood that don't belong. He went on to thank the Public Works Department. Mayor Johnson stated big kudos to the Curb Appeal Contest and everyone in Economic Dev. He reported the City has made headlines and is becoming innovative and it seems like it'll pick up and Jennings will become the leader in the region with the Curb Appeal Contest. He stated code enforcement was one of the biggest issues that has hindered the community. He said the Code Enforcers have been given strict instructions and directions. He said they are on a timeline and a set schedule. He said the biggest thing is the engagement with the residents and not just ticketing them.

Mayor Johnson went on to talk about an engagement he had with a young man. He stated at first the young man was combative but they did have a conversation. He said once he left, the young man went up to the City Hall wanting to continue the conversation and wanting to know what he could do to help the community. He said that's the kind of engagement that they've been having out in the public. Mayor Johnson stated the City is at the point of demolishing 24 properties. He said Airmac Holdings with A Caring Plus has begun to lay the foundation. He reported the new Fire Station is being built and the inspections are going great. He said the Republic Town Hall meeting went very well and there was great dialog back and forth. Mayor Johnson stated he has put a stop work order for the City Center. He said that doesn't mean it's put to an end, the city has to get to a place to financially afford to build the project. He said they are at the point now that numbers have to make sense and things need to be evaluated.

Mayor Johnson gave thanks to City Clerk, Deletra Hudson and her staff for putting together the Lunch with the Mayor event on May 3rd. He thanked State Rep. Yolonda Fountain-Henderson for showing up during Wards 1 and 2 clean up. He reported on May 18th the Believe Project was introduced at Woodland Elementary. He said if you ever get a chance to go up to Woodland Elementary to see their lab, there are 100% black authors. He said they are number 10 on the project. He stated you would have to call to set up an appointment. He reported May 12th he attended the North County Inc. Annual Breakfast. Mayor Johnson went on to talk about the trash grant. He said residents that don't have trash services, you can talk to your Councilperson and they will help you with the process. He said the emergency relief fund is still in place. If you've had an emergency, setback, or hardship within the city, you can come up to the City Hall and fill out an application. Mayor Johnson addressed Mr. Pokorny's earlier statements. He said there is a great proposal for the West Florissant Business District and encouraged him to stick around to hear the council make the decision on the ARPA Fund Budget amendment. He said they are putting 2.7 million dollars directly back into the City and creating grants for business owners.

Mayor Johnson addressed the false news coverage about Fairview Village Senior Home. He said he was disgusted and upset with the coverage on Channel 4. He said the City of Jennings has waived over 4,000 fees for Rise Development. He said on May 9th they gave them specific and direct words so that they can start the work immediately. He reported the executive director at Rise, Terrell Carter went on the news and gave a false statement. He said Mr. Carter stated he was waiting on permits from the city. Mayor Johnson stated the permits were pulled in February and they expired after 120 days. He said the only permit that had to renew was the dumpster permit but all the other permits were in order. He said the city is working diligently to get those residents back home and Rise has dropped the ball.

C. MONTHLY DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Morton the Council approved the monthly departmental reports. All in favor, none opposed.

D. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Ways & Means and Public Safety, Councilwoman Morton reported they reviewed the committee's purpose and guidelines. She stated they elected Councilwoman Clower as Vice Chair. She reported they didn't approve the proposal for solid waste but they did have a special meeting after they talked with the Republic Services manager. She said they did approve the proposed general fund budget amendment and the ARPA budget amendment.

2. Public Works & Building Committee, Councilwoman Quinn reported they elected Councilwoman Roberts as Vice Chair. She said the solid waste services proposal was approved and then they held a special meeting on May 15th to approve the 30-day extension, that will allow additional time for negotiation. Councilwoman Quinn stated she was hoping to get an update on the traffic study request that was approved for a possible speedbump installation on Glen Garden.

3. Parks and Recreation Committee, Councilman Stichnote stated there was no meeting. He said the next park meeting will be June 12th at 5:00 p.m. at City Hall. He said he is going to see if Ken Keitel could join the meeting to explain everything that is going on with the park plans. Mayor Johnson reported he and Councilman Stichnote met with Ken about assisting them at the new Civic Center with the Recreation parks part of it.

4. Policy and Ordinance, Councilwoman Clower reported the meeting was on May 3rd. She said everyone was present. She said they reviewed the committee's purpose and guidelines and elected Councilwoman Morton as Vice Chair. She said they also reviewed over 13 ordinances.

5. Municipal League, Councilman Wilson reported this Thursday will be the Municipal League installation dinner. He said it will be held at the Renaissance at 6 p.m. He said Mayor Harris from Clayton will be installed as the President, Mayor Lowery from Florissant will be installed as Vice President, and he will be installed for another 2-year term for the Board of Directors. He encourages everyone to come out and support him.

6. Planning Commission no meeting

7. Economic Development no meeting

8. Youth Commission minutes in packet

9. Senior Commission minutes in packet

E. LEGAL BUSINESS (Proposed Ordinances)

1. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, REPEALING AND AMENDING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 23, SECTIONS 23-4 AND 23-10 OF THE JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2702. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2702 became Ordinance #2637 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

2. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, ADDING SECTION 15-40 OF CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE II TO THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE

IMPOSING A MONTHLY FEE FOR THE DISCONNECTION OF TRASH SERVICE TO OCCUPIED PROPERTY.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilman Wilson for Bill #2703. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Clower. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2703 became Ordinance #2638 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

3. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, REPEALING SECTION 2-115 OF CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING DUTIES OF THE CITY CLERK.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilman Wilson for Bill #2704. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Morton. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2704 became Ordinance #2639 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

4. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A HUMAN RESOURCE DEPARTMENT, COORDINATOR AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilman Wilson for Bill #2705. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Morton. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2705 became Ordinance #2640 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn. Councilwoman Brown abstained.

5. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, AMENDING SECTION 15-71(K) OF CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE IV OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE SUBJECTING RESIDENTS AND/OR COMPANIES TO A FINE FOR ILLEGAL DUMPSTERS PLACED WITHIN CITY LIMITS.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2706. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2706 became Ordinance #2641 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

6. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY SERVICE DIRECTOR.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2707. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Morton. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2707 became Ordinance #2642 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

7. AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A PLANNING TECHNICIAN IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilman Wilson for Bill #2708. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2708 became Ordinance #2643 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

8. AN ORDINANCE REPEALING AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-151, 2-152 AND 2-153 OF CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 6 OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE AND ELIMINATING THE POSITION(S) OF DIRECTOR OF STREETS AND PARKS AND DIRECTOR OF HOUSING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC WORKS MANAGER.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts for Bill #2709. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2709 became Ordinance #2644 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

9. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, REPEALING DIVISION 8 OF ARTICLE III, CHAPTER 2 OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE – SPECIAL SERVICES.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2710. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2710 became Ordinance #2645 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

10. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, ADDING SECTION 2-117 TO CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 3 OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE BY PROVIDING THAT THE CITY CLERK SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR CERTAIN SPECIAL SERVICES.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts for Bill #2711. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2711 became Ordinance #2646 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

11. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, AMENDING SECTION 15-28 OF CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE II OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE.

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2712. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Quinn, seconded by Councilwoman Morton. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2712 became Ordinance #2647 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

12. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS, MISSOURI, ADDING SECTION 2-180 TO CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE III, DIVISION 7 OF THE CITY OF JENNINGS MUNICIPAL CODE BY PROVIDING THAT THE MAYOR SHALL SIGN ALL CHECK DEPOSITS(S) AMOUNTING TO OVER \$500.00 AND TO BE DEPOSITED INTO CITY ACCOUNT(S) AND ALL CASH DEPOSIT(S) AMOUNTING TO OVER \$250.00 TO BE DEPOSITED INTO CITY ACCOUNT(S).

On the motion for the first reading made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn for Bill #2713. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the first reading of the ordinance.

On the motion for the second reading made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts. All in favor, none opposed. Sam did the second reading of the ordinance.

Bill #2713 became Ordinance #2648 by the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Woods, Councilwoman Brown, Councilman Wilson, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn.

F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of the 2023-2024 General Fund Budget Amendment

On the motion made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts the Committee approved the 2023-2024 General Fund Budget Amendment. All in favor, none opposed.

2. Approval of the 2023-2024 Proposed ARPA Budget Amendment

On the motion made by Councilwoman Clower, seconded by Councilwoman Morton the Committee approved the proposed ARPA Budget Amendment. All in favor, none opposed.

3. Approval of the proposed contract extension for solid waste disposal services with Republic Services

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts the Committee approved the proposed contract extension for solid waste disposal services with Republic Services. All in favor, none opposed.

4. Special event permit - Norwood Hills

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts the Committee approved the special event permit - Norwood Hills. All in favor, none opposed.

5. Special event permit – Grill to Glory

On the motion made by Councilwoman Roberts, seconded by Councilwoman Quinn the Committee approved the special event permit – Grill to Glory. Councilman Wilson abstained.

By the following roll call vote of the councilmembers voting in favor: Councilman Stichnote, Councilwoman Brown, Councilwoman Morton, Councilwoman Roberts, Councilwoman Clower, and Councilwoman Quinn. Councilman Wilson abstained.

6. Approval of the monthly bills for payment

On the motion made by Councilwoman Roberts, seconded by Councilwoman Morton the Committee approved the monthly bills for payment. All in favor, none opposed.

H. MAYOR'S CLOSING REMARKS

I. CLOSED SESSION (RSMO 610:021-3)

On May 22, 2023, on the motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Morton, the City Council approved a closed session for Personnel (RSMO 610:021-3) by the following roll call vote of councilmembers voting in favor: Allan Stichnote, Denise Woods, Jane Brown, Terry Wilson, Kimberly Morton via Zoom, Jeannine Roberts, Lorraine Clower, Nadia Quinn; none absent; none opposing nor abstaining.

Also present were Mayor Gary Johnson; Deletra Hudson, City Clerk; and Sam Alton, City Attorney.

PERSONNEL - The following actions were taken:

a. Approval recommendations for hire and internal transfers

On the motion made by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilwoman Roberts, the City Council voted to approve the following hiring and internal transfer recommendations pending all pre-employment screening where needed. The recommendations were approved by the following roll call vote of councilmembers voting in favor, pending all pre-employment screening: Allan Stichnote, Denise Woods, Jane Brown, Terry Wilson, Kimberly Morton (via Zoom), Jeannine Roberts, Lorraine Clower, Nadia Quinn; none absent; none opposing nor abstaining.

Recommendations for Hire:

Marquize Pittman – Public Works Full Time Laborer
Greg Carter - Public Works Full Time Laborer

Recommendations for Internal Transfer:

Dannarr Davidson –Public Works Department transfer from part time to full time
James Maixner - transfer from Public Works Director to Public Works Manager

APPROVED


b. Approval recommendations for termination

On the motion made by Councilwoman Morton, seconded by Councilman Wilson, the City Council voted to approve the following termination/separation recommendations. The recommendations were approved by the following roll call vote of councilmembers voting in favor, pending all pre-employment screening: Allan Stichnote, Denise Woods, Jane Brown, Terry Wilson, Kimberly Morton (via Zoom), Jeannine Roberts, Lorraine Clower, Nadia Quinn; none absent; none opposing nor abstaining.

Madison Fields – Court Clerk Terminated
Dianna Drake – Special Services Coordinator position eliminated
Brandy Stonecipher – Permit Clerk position eliminated

APPROVED

J. ADJOURNMENT

Approved: 
Gary Johnson, Mayor

Attest: 
Deletra Hudson, City Clerk

