

MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
120 S. Ash
City Council Chambers
Tuesday, May 16, 2023

NOTICE OF MEETING

A Regular Session of the City Council of Nevada, Missouri was posted pursuant to Section 2-6 and Section 2-7 of the City Code and RSMo. Chapter 610.021 with a tentative agenda on Friday, May 12, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Session of the City Council of Nevada, Missouri was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023, pursuant to Sections 2-6 and 2-7 of the City Code and Section 3.11 of the City Charter.

Mayor Vickers called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION: Michelle Whitlock, United Methodist Church

ROLL CALL

The following Council members were present for roll call:
Carol Branham; George Knox; Bill Miles; Kendall Vickers, Mayor
Absent: Lyndon Eberhard

Staff present: Mark Mitchell, City Manager; Bill Denman, City Treasurer;
Cynthia Dye, City Clerk; William McCaffree, City Attorney

PROCLAMATIONS:

Mayor Vickers read a Proclamation for EMS Week May 22nd to 26th and presented it to Vernon County Ambulance Personnel.

Mayor Vickers read a Proclamation for VFW Buddy Poppy Day on May 27, 2023 and presented it to the local VFW Chapter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilperson Knox moved to accept May 2, 2023, Regular Session City Council Minutes as written. Councilperson Branham provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

Councilperson Branham moved to accept May 9, 2023, Special Session City Council Minutes as written. Councilperson Knox provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: None

CONSIDERATION OF BIDS:

Consideration of Resolution No.1713 – A Resolution of the City of Nevada, Missouri, accepting the bid and authorizing payment to Heartland Traffic Services, Inc., Kansas City, Missouri, for the striping on Johnson Drive

Councilperson Knox moved to accept Resolution No.1713. Councilperson Branham provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FROM THOSE REGISTERED WITH THE CITY CLERK: No one registered to speak.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS:

Amanda Koehn, Housing Authority Executive Director presented the council with their Annual Audit Report ending June 2022. She expressed they are financially stable and have many upcoming projects. Currently, there are 200 public housing units and 45 out of 88 HUD Vouchers are being utilized. They also plan to continue the policing contract and currently house a police officer in one unit and a juvenile officer in another.

Dan Redburn gave an update to Council members on the Youth Diversion Program. The program received some funding and is doing great overall. Participants are engaging and doing well. The program will continue through the summer months with two contacts a week as a group and still one on one meetings as well. Each week one day will be spent doing community service and the other day learning new skills. The program appreciates the local support they have received which is important to their success.

Cyndia Haggard spoke on behalf of the Park Board, recommending the local Elks lodge purchase Davis Park which can be utilized for Veterans, campers, and additional green space. Our City Attorney recommends declaring it excess property and putting it out for bids. Council members requested additional information before moving forward.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Consideration of Bill No. 2023-037 – A General Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri, amending Chapter 16, Article I, Section 16-10 of the Municipal Code

No action was taken and postponed to a later date.

OLD BUSINESS:

Second reading of **Bill No. 2023-038** – A General Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri, amending Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code with the addition of Article VI and Article VII reinstating the Plumbing and Electrical Boards

Councilperson Branham moved to place Bill No. 2023-038 on second reading by title only. Councilperson Knox provided the second. The motion was duly considered to move forward with the second reading and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Miles, Vickers, Branham, Knox
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

NEW BUSINESS:

Consideration of **Bill No. 2023-039** – A Special Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Missouri Main Street Connection, Inc. for participation in the Missouri Main Street Program

Councilperson Knox moved to place Bill No. 2023-039 on the first reading by title only. Councilperson Branham provided the second. The motion was duly considered to move forward with the first reading and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Knox, Miles, Vickers, Branham
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

Consideration of **Bill No. 2023-040** – A Special Ordinance of the City of Nevada, Missouri, authorizing the execution of an agreement with CivicPlus, Manhattan, Kansas, for the redesign of the City website with additional modules

Councilperson Knox moved to place Bill No. 2023-040 on the first reading by title only. Councilperson Branham provided the second. The motion was duly considered to move forward with the first reading and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Knox, Miles, Vickers, Branham
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

REPORTS:

The following Boards and Commissions reports were provided to the Council:

- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 12/28/22
- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 01/05/23
- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 01/10/23
- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 01/25/23
- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 02/22/23
- City Convalescent Home Board Minutes 03/29/23

The following Monthly Department Reports were provided to the Council:

- Fire Dept-April 2023
- Police/Animal Control-April 2023
- Municipal Court-April 2023

Mayor's Report: None

City Manager, Mark Mitchell, advised the Council that Moore-Few received notification regarding their ARPA funds. Vac Truck will be here on Wednesday. Ribbon Cutting for the new car wash will be Thursday at 11:30 a.m. Jessica Sloniker, Chamber of Commerce Director personally invited the Council members to attend Bushwhacker Days opening celebration next month.

City Treasurer, Bill Denman, provided an Interim Financial Report. :

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS:

Mayor Vickers suggested there needs to be a sidewalk study done for repairs. Due to staff shortages, City Manager suggested forming a committee to take that on.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The City Manager requested an Executive Session for Reasons in Accordance with Section 610.021 RSMo., Subparagraph (1) Legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys.

(2) Leasing, purchase, or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefor.

Councilperson Knox moved to go into executive session after a 5-minute recess. Councilperson Miles seconded. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Branham, Knox, Miles, Vickers
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

An executive session of the City Council of the City of Nevada, Missouri was held in the City Council Chambers, 120 S. Ash, Nevada, Missouri, beginning at 8:22 p.m.

Matters involving legal actions and real estate were discussed.

Councilperson Miles moved to adjourn the executive session and move back into the regular session. The second was provided by Councilperson Knox. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Vickers, Branham, Knox, Miles
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

The executive session adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Branham moved to adjourn the Regular Session of the City Council. Councilperson Knox provided the second. The motion was duly considered and passed by the following vote:

Aye: Miles, Vickers, Branham, Knox
Nay: None
Absent: Eberhard

The meeting adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

Submitted by _____
Cynthia Dye, City Clerk

(seal)

KENDALL VICKERS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

CYNTHIA DYE, CITY CLERK