

**O'FALLON CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
November 1, 2004**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Gary Graham, who led "The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag".

Philip Goodwin, City Clerk, called the roll: David Horton, present; Nila Grogan, present; Ed True, present; Becky Henry, present; Rick Reckamp, present; Jerry Mouser, present; Tom Bequette, present; Allen Medford, present; Michael Bennett, present; Dennis Renner, present; Jason Boone, present; Ned Drolet, present; John West, present; Jerry Albrecht, excused. A quorum was declared present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to approve the minutes as amended for the October 18th meeting. The corrections are: D. Renner made the motion to approve the roadblocks and N. Drolet had no objection with the VFW parade, only with the roadblocks. All ayes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None scheduled

RESIDENTS: No one came forward.

REPORTS

Clerk: No report.

Mayor Report: Mayor Graham discussed the new committee meeting schedule. M. Bennett stated that he had a problem with the Parks and Environment meeting at 5:30, as he and many citizens could not attend a meeting held so early. D. Renner said he could not attend the Public Works meeting, if it was held at 5:30 p.m. W. Denton said that he would review their recommendations, as he had not received any comments regarding the proposed schedule. J. West suggested that they change the Finance and Administration meeting to 5:30, so Public Works could meet at 7:30 p.m. A. Medford said that the change was no problem. The aldermen agreed to the revision.

Mayor Graham gave each of the alderman an EK voting poster to display for television viewers. He announced that 80 5th grade students from EK visited City Hall earlier in the day to encourage everyone to vote because of its importance. He read a note from the teachers of the students thanking him and mentioned that he was impressed with the 90 letters that he received from the students. He said they were very well written.

RESOLUTIONS

Motion was made by R. Reckamp and seconded by J. Mouser to approve resolution item 1 – A resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Execute an Agreement with Rhutasel & Associates, Inc. for the Southview Gardens Drainage Study in the amount of \$8000.00.

ROLL CALL: D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

ORDINANCES

1st Readings

Mayor Graham stated that items 2 and 3 on 1st reading were the approximately 100 acres of land that the City has plans to develop into a sports complex, which includes soccer and baseball fields for a total of 117 acres. He said that we have been negotiating for about two years to secure this land for the parks programs.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by N. Grogan to consider ordinance items 2, 3, 4 and 5 under the omnibus rule. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to place on 1st Reading items 2, 3, 4, and 5, which are as follows:

Item 2 - An ordinance Authorizing the City to Purchase Real Estate consisting of 49.74 acres that is situated between Porter Road and Venita Drive

Item 3 - An ordinance Authorizing the City to Purchase Real Estate consisting of 50 acres that is situated between Porter Road and Venita Drive

Item 4 - An ordinance Amending Ord. 623, Zoning, Planned Use Development known as "Mark Feltman"

Item 5 - An ordinance Approving the Final Plat of the First Phase of Cobblestone Ridge

ROLL CALL: D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

2nd Readings

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to place on 2nd Reading item 6, an ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of O'Fallon, St. Clair County, Illinois (Paul Obernuefemann Annexation) containing in total approximately 3.6 Acres.

ROLL CALL: D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to place on second reading item 7, an ordinance Rezoning Certain Territory from St. Clair County Agriculture to City of O'Fallon SR-1, Amending Ord. 623, Zoning, Oberneufemann Subdivision.

ROLL CALL: D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion was made by J. Mouser and seconded by E. True to place on 2nd Reading item 8, an ordinance Annexing Certain Territory to the City of O'Fallon, St. Clair County, Illinois (Kevin Townsend Annexation) for property located at 121 Behrens Avenue.

ROLL CALL: D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Community Development: J. Mouser stated that the next committee meeting will meet under the new schedule which is November 8th at 6:30 p.m.

Public Works: A. Medford stated that they will meet under the new meeting schedule, which is November 22nd at 7:30 p.m.

Public Safety: E. True said that the next meeting is scheduled to meet on Monday, November 8th at 7:30 p.m.

Finance/Administration: J. West stated that they met before tonight's meeting and would like to consider Warrant #75. Motion was made by J. West and seconded by R. Reckamp to approve Warrant #75 in the amount of \$1,910,723.49. **ROLL CALL:** D. Horton, aye; N. Grogan, aye; B. Henry, aye; E. True, aye; R. Reckamp, aye; J. Mouser, aye; T. Bequette aye; A. Medford, aye; J. Boone, aye; M. Bennett, aye; D. Renner, aye; N. Drolet, aye; J. West, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

J. West stated they will meet under the new meeting schedule November 22nd at 5:30 p.m.

Parks and Environment: No report.

Executive Session: None.

D. Renner thanked the Police, EMS, and Fire departments for the great job they did with the Safe Stop program that was held at Central School in Ward 5.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by N. Drolet and seconded by R. Reckamp to adjourn. All ayes.
Motion carried.

Mayor Graham reminded everyone to exercise their right to vote tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Philip A. Goodwin, City Clerk

*Minutes taken by
Maryanne Fair, Deputy City Clerk
Proper notice having been duly given*