

**O'FALLON CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES  
Draft January 4, 2010**

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

Philip Goodwin, City Clerk, called the roll: Nila Grogan, present; Gene McCoskey, present; Ed True, present; Dan Polites, present; Rick Reckamp, present; Jerry Mouser, present; John Drolet, present; David Snyder, present; Michael Bennett, present; Dennis Renner, present; Ned Drolet, present; Steve Engler, excused; Jerry Albrecht, present; David Cozad, present. A quorum was declared present.

Motion by J. Albrecht and seconded by E. True to approve the minutes of December 21, 2009. All ayes. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING** – None scheduled.

**RESIDENTS** - Mayor Graham invited Debbie Arell-Martinez, Ken Diel, and Paula Nixon from the Chamber of Commerce forward to assist him in drawing the winning tickets for the "It Pays to Buy O'Fallon" contest. Mayor Graham said there was two million dollars worth of tickets in the container. He drew four tickets and one alternate (in case someone was drawn more than once).

**REPORTS:**

**Clerk's Report:** City Clerk Goodwin announced that the Zoning Hearing Officer and Planning Commission meetings were cancelled for January 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Mayor's Report:**

**RESOLUTIONS:** None listed.

**ORDINANCES:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Readings** – None listed.

**2nd Readings** –

Motion by J. Mouser and seconded by D. Renner to consider Ordinances 1, 2, and 5 under the Omnibus Agreement. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by J. Mouser and seconded by N. Grogan to approve Ordinances 1, 2, and 5 on 2nd reading.

Mayor Graham read aloud Ordinances 1, 2, and 5:

1. An Ordinance amending Ord. 623, Zoning, Development known as Emily's Resale and Consignment.
2. An Ordinance amending Ord. 623, Zoning, Development known as St. Nicholas Church Expansion.
5. An Ordinance establishing service fees for non-residents of the Fire Protection District.

**ROLL CALL:** Grogan, aye; McCoskey, aye; True; aye; Polites, aye; Reckamp, aye; Mouser, aye; Drolet, J., aye; Snyder, aye; Bennett, aye; Renner, aye; Drolet, N., aye; Albrecht, aye; Cozad, aye. Ayes - 13; Nays - 0. Motion carried.

Motion by N. Drolet and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve on 2nd reading an Ordinance requiring that an Administrative Tow Fee be paid to the O'Fallon Police Department for any Vehicle Towed and Impounded as a result of the Commission of a Crime or other Violations that result in Custodial Arrest.

R. Reckamp voiced his concern about adding a \$500 fee on top of towing and stowing. He believes it will negatively impact the ones least able to pay and may result in the loss of their vehicle and possibly their job.

**ROLL CALL:** Grogan, aye; McCoskey, aye; True; aye; Polites, aye; Reckamp, no; Mouser, aye; Drolet, J., aye; Snyder, aye; Bennett, aye; Renner, aye; Drolet, N., aye; Albrecht, aye; Cozad, aye. Ayes - 12; Nays - 1. Motion carried.

Motion by J. Mouser and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve on 2nd reading, An Ordinance amending Chapter 92, Section 92.04 regarding Grave Lot Fees including Perpetual Care and Transfer Fees.

R. Reckamp also voiced his concern again about raising the fees for those least able to afford them.

**ROLL CALL:** Grogan, aye; McCoskey, aye; True; aye; Polites, aye; Reckamp, no; Mouser, aye; Drolet, J., aye; Snyder, aye; Bennett, aye; Renner, aye; Drolet, N., aye; Albrecht, aye; Cozad, aye. Ayes - 12; Nays - 1. Motion carried.

#### **STANDING COMMITTEES –**

**Community Development:** J. Mouser stated that the next meeting is scheduled at 6:00 p.m. on January 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Works:** R. Reckamp said the next meeting is scheduled on January 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. He reminded the members to review the white paper that D. Sullivan passed out at the November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**Public Safety:** N. Drolet stated that the next meeting will be January 11th at 7:00 p.m.

**Finance/Administration:** Motion by M. Bennett and seconded by J. Albrecht to approve Warrant #199 in the amount of \$353,728.68.

**ROLL CALL:** Grogan, aye; McCoskey, aye; True; aye; Polites, aye; Reckamp, aye; Mouser, aye; Drolet, J., aye; Snyder, aye; Bennett, aye; Renner, aye; Drolet, N., aye; Albrecht, aye; Cozad, aye. Ayes - 13; Nays - 0. Motion carried.

M. Bennett said the next meeting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on January 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Parks and Environment:** D. Renner said the next scheduled meeting is at 5:30 p.m. on January 11th. He reminded everyone to be courteous and take their turn speaking at the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** None scheduled.

Debbie Arell-Martinez announced the winners of the "It Pays to Buy O'Fallon" contest.

Prize 4 – Judy Bugger  
Prize 3 – Roger Rees from Chester  
Prize 2 – Jasper and Diana Lewis  
Prize 1 – (Grand Prize) Jon Rodney

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by J. Albrecht and seconded by N. Grogan to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Submitted by,

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Philip A. Goodwin  
City Clerk

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