

**Minutes of the Belton City Council  
August 10, 2021  
City Hall Annex  
520 Main Street, Belton, Missouri**

Mayor Pro Tem Clark called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

A public hearing was held at 6:00 p.m., August 10, 2021, at Belton City Hall Annex, 520 Main Street, during which citizens may be heard regarding property tax rates proposed to be set by the City of Belton. The tax rates shall be set to produce the revenues required to support the budget for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2021 and ending March 31, 2022. The rates are based upon the current assessed valuation figures as provided by the Cass County Assessor's Office. Each tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of revenue, as authorized by the Missouri Constitution, by the current assessed valuation. This value is multiplied times 100 resulting in a tax rate expressed in cents per \$100 valuation.

Assessed Valuation (applies to calendar year 2021):

(By Categories)

	<b>Current Tax Year 2021</b>	<b>Prior Tax Year 2020</b>
Real Estate	\$ 264,093,731	\$ 243,811,046
Personal Property	61,047,953	57,555,425
<b>Total Assessed Valuation</b>	<b>\$ 325,141,684</b>	<b>\$ 301,366,471</b>

Tax Levy (applies to City's fiscal year):

	Property Tax Revenue <b>FY2022 Budget</b>	Proposed Tax Rate <b>FY2022</b>	Prior Year Tax Rate <b>FY2021</b>
General Fund	\$ 1,714,000	\$ 0.4942	\$ 0.5116
Parks & Recreation	689,000	0.2199	0.2276
Debt Service	4,000,000	1.3305	1.3305
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 6,403,000</b>	<b>\$ 2.0446</b>	<b>\$ 2.0697</b>

**NOTE:** Assessed valuation figures are subject to change as determined by the Cass County Assessor. These changes, should they occur, may impact the tax rates as shown above.

There was no one in the audience to speak. Being no further business, Mayor Pro Tem Clark adjourned the public hearing and called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Councilmember Peek led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Pro Tem Dave Clark, Tim Savage, Rob Powell, Chet Trutzel, Angela Kraft, Perry Gough, Lorrie Peek, Allyson Lawson

Councilmembers absent: Mayor Larkey

Staff present: Sheila Ernzen, Assistant City Manager and Finance Director; Padraic Corcoran, Attorney; and Donna Greener, Deputy City Clerk

## CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Trutzel moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of a motion:

- **approving the minutes of the July 27, 2021, City Council Meeting.**
- **approving the July 2021 Municipal Division Summary Report for Municipal Court.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-63: A resolution approving the purchase of four (4) new 2022 Ford Utility PI vehicles in the amount of \$137,732.00 from Shawnee Mission Ford.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-64: A resolution approving the renewal of the outdoor warning siren system maintenance agreement with Blue Valley Public Safety, Inc.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-65: A resolution approving a Contract for Services with Independent Salt Company for the purchase of 1,200 tons of bulk road salt with delivery in the not-to-exceed amount of \$63,888.00.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-66: A resolution approving actions of the City Manager to engage Breit Construction, LLC for emergency stormwater repairs located at crossings on Apple Valley Parkway in Apple Valley Subdivision and ratifying Task Agreement 2021-4 in the amount of \$183,894.00, as allocated in the FY22 budget.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-67: A resolution approving a Contract for Services with Pyramid Excavation and Construction, Inc. to replace two (2) culverts and related road repair in the not-to-exceed amount of \$379,495.78.**

Councilmember Savage seconded. All present voted in favor. Consent agenda approved.

## REGULAR AGENDA

Donna Greener, Deputy City Clerk, gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-42: **An ordinance approving the First Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 1100 Main Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-1 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Trutzel, seconded by Councilmember Peek. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Mayor Pro Tem Clark, Savage, Kraft, Trutzel, Powell, Lawson, Gough, Peek

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Mayor Larkey

Bill No. 2021-42 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4644**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Greener gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-43: **An ordinance approving the Second Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 412 4<sup>th</sup> Street**

**Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-3 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Savage, Lawson, Kraft, Trutzel, Powell, Peek, Gough, Mayor Pro Tem Clark

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Mayor Larkey

Bill No. 2021-43 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4645**, subject to Mayoral veto.

**Ms. Greener gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-44: An ordinance approving the Third Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 402 Main Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-4 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Lawson, Kraft, Savage, Powell, Trutzel, Gough, Mayor Pro Tem Clark

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Mayor Larkey

Bill No. 2021-44 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4646**, subject to Mayoral veto.

**Ms. Greener gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-45: An ordinance approving the Fourth Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 514 Minnie Avenue Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-5 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Lawson, Gough, Savage, Powell, Trutzel, Kraft, Mayor Pro Tem Clark

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Mayor Larkey

Bill No. 2021-45 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4647**, subject to Mayoral veto.

**Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-46: An ordinance authorizing the Finance Director to execute documents relating to securing funds on behalf of the City through the American Rescue Plan Act being administered by the Missouri State Treasurer's Office.**

Presented by Councilmember Trutzel, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Councilmember Gough asked if there's a certain amount of money we can apply for. Shelia Ernzen, Assistant City Manager and Finance Director, said it will be allocated based on the amount the State receives and then distributed to the entities that applied for funds. The estimated amount we'll receive is \$4.3 million. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed. **Councilmember Trutzel moved to hear the final reading.** Councilmember Peek seconded. Vote to hear the final reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Motion passed. The final reading was read. Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Savage. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Trutzel, Lawson, Gough, Savage, Powell, Peek, Kraft, Mayor Pro Tem Clark

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Mayor Larkey

Bill No. 2021-46 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4648**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-47: **An ordinance levying and fixing the rate of tax for municipal purposes, for the Park Fund, and for the Debt Service Fund for Fiscal Year 2022.**

Presented by Councilmember Savage, seconded by Councilmember Peek. Ms. Ernzen answered questions about the tax rate. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-48: **An ordinance approving a Contract for Services with Haren Contracting, LLC for the Public Works Facility renovation in the not-to-exceed amount of \$665,140.33 and the reappropriation & revision of the City of Belton Fiscal Year 2022 Adopted City Budget.**

Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Savage. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-49: **An ordinance approving a Special Use Permit to allow an Animal Services/Kennel in a C-2 General Commercial District, located at 342 North Scott Avenue, Belton, Cass County, Missouri.**

Presented by Councilmember Peek, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Councilmember Peek asked about the neighbor's concerns voiced at the Planning Commission meeting. Dave Clements, Director of Planning and Building, said the concerns have been worked out between the applicant and the neighbor. There is a letter about this in the Council agenda packet. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-50: **An ordinance approving a vacation of an existing sanitary sewer easement located East of 163<sup>rd</sup> Street and North of Bradford Place Second Plat, in the City of Belton, Cass County, Missouri.**

Presented by Councilmember Trutzel, seconded by Councilmember Peek. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Greener gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-51: **An ordinance approving the Fifth Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 402 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-2 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Trutzel, seconded by Councilmember Peek. Pursuant to RSMo 353.110.3(2), Mayor Pro Tem Clark opened the public hearing to receive public comments. Padraic Corcoran, Attorney, stated each redevelopment project will come before the Council as an amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan. The Old Town Belton Redevelopment Corporation Board met on July 21, 2021, to discuss project 2021-2. They unanimously voted to approve this project. There was no one else present to submit comments. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

## **CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS**

Councilmember Lawson provided a Park report

- The farmer's market is every Thursday from 4-7 p.m. at Memorial Park
- Youth fall sports sign up closes this week
- September 11 – family fest at the Fall Festival
- Brian Welborn, Parks Director, announced his resignation. His last day will be September 3, 2021.

## **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Pro Tem Clark thanked the City, Chamber of Commerce, Belfonte, and Hy-Vee for their participation in the Missouri 200<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration.

Mayor Pro Tem Clark said Mayor Larkey and other staff are out tonight representing the City of Belton at an Economic Development event.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Ms. Ernzen informed the Council the City's financial and utility billing software, Central Square, has a module that allows the City to take web payments and IVR payments. This module is being discontinued. Paymentus is a preferred provider and will integrate with Central Square and the future ERP system. A contract will be coming to the August 24 meeting for Council consideration. The conversion must be completed by December 31, 2021.

August/September 2021 City Council Meetings – 6:00 p.m.

August 17, 2021

August 24, 2021

September 14, 2021

September 21, 2021

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL**

Councilmember Peek thanked the owner of 402 2<sup>nd</sup> Street for utilizing the Chapter 353 to improve her property.

Being no further business, Councilmember Trutzel moved to adjourn at 6:31 p.m. Councilmember Kraft seconded. All present voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Donna Greener, Deputy City Clerk

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Mayor Pro Tem Dave Clark