

**Minutes of the Belton City Council
December 14, 2021
City Hall Annex
520 Main Street, Belton, Missouri**

Mayor Larkey called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

Padraic Corcoran, Attorney, said there is a Code of Ordinances section that was missed when the City implemented changes from an elected police chief to an appointed police chief. This code amendment will be coming to the next Council meeting.

Police Chief Scott Lyons said there is a Code of Ordinances section about monitoring police communications that needs to be repealed. This is no longer applicable. This code amendment will be coming to the next Council meeting.

Chief Lyons said the Police Towing RFP will be published tomorrow on the City's website. It will close on January 3, 2022.

Sheila Ernzen, Acting City Manager/Finance Director, said the Energov-Munis contract will be coming to the next Council meeting.

Ms. Ernzen said a grant management policy will be coming to the next Council meeting.

Greg Rokos, Public Works Director, provided a report on how Stantec does street rating.

Mr. Rokos said the Public Works Department will be going out for bid on a treatment plant UV light repair.

Being no further business, Mayor Larkey adjourned the work session at 6:22 p.m. and called the meeting to order.

Councilmember Peek led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Larkey, Angela Kraft, Rob Powell, Chet Trutzel, Dave Clark, Perry Gough, Lorrie Peek, Allyson Lawson

Councilmember absent: Tim Savage

Staff present: Sheila Ernzen, Acting City Manager/Finance Director; Padraic Corcoran, Attorney; Andrea Cunningham, City Clerk; Police Chief Scott Lyons; Fire Chief John Sapp; Carolyn Yatsook, Economic Development Director; Dave Clements, Director of Planning and Building; Greg Rokos, Public Works Director; Brian Welborn, Park Director

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Julia Porter, Blue Springs Deputy City Clerk, presented Andrea Cunningham, Belton City Clerk, with the IIMC Certified Municipal Clerk Certification.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

- **approving the minutes of the November 30, 2021 City Council Meeting.**
- **approving the November 2021 Municipal Division Summary Report for Municipal Court.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-91: A resolution approving the engagement of Baker Tilly US, LLP to assist with Client Advisory Services related to General Fund Cost Allocations.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-92: A resolution authorizing and approving the contract between the City of Belton, Missouri and Flock Group Inc. for hardware, software, and services for stationary license plate reader cameras.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-93: A resolution approving actions of the Acting City Manager to engage Breit Construction, LLC for emergency sanitary sewer main repair located at Fire Station 2 and ratifying Task Agreement No. 2021-5 in the amount of \$31,342.97.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-94: A resolution approving Task Agreement 2021-2 with Trekk Design Group, LLC to perform evaluation, design, and construction inspection services for the inflow and infiltration reduction project in the not-to-exceed amount of \$140,000.00.**
- **approving Resolution R2021-95: A resolution approving Task Agreement 2021-3 with Trekk Design Group, LLC to perform evaluation, design, and construction inspection services for the Sanitary Sewer Streambank Stability Project in the not-to-exceed amount of \$283,000.00.**

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

REGULAR AGENDA

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-72: **An ordinance authorizing the Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds (NP Southview Industrial Building 4, LLC Project), Series 2021 related to an industrial development project in the City and authorizing the City to enter into certain agreements and take certain other actions.**

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

Ayes: 7 Mayor Larkey, Lawson, Trutzel, Clark, Gough, Peek, Kraft

Noes: 1 Powell

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-72 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4675**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-73: **An ordinance approving the Sixth Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 414 Main Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-6 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Powell, Kraft, Trutzel, Lawson, Clark, Gough, Peek

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-73 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4676**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-74: **An ordinance approving the Seventh Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 511 Main Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-7 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

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

Ayes: 8 Lawson, Powell, Trutzel, Peek, Clark, Kraft, Gough, Mayor Larkey

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-74 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4677**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-75: **An ordinance calling an election to authorize the issuance of Waterworks Revenue Bonds and extend the Capital Improvement Sales Tax in the City of Belton, Missouri.**

Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Gough. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Powell, Trutzel, Gough, Clark, Lawson, Mayor Larkey, Kraft

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-75 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4678**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-76: **An ordinance of the City of Belton amending Chapter 4, Animals, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Belton, Missouri.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Gough, Peek, Kraft, Clark, Lawson, Powell, Trutzel

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-76 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4679**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-77: **An ordinance approving the Clinical Affiliation Agreement between the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Medicine and the City of Belton Fire Department.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Peek, Trutzel, Gough, Clark, Lawson, Powell, Kraft

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-77 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4680**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-79: **An ordinance approving the reappropriation & revision of the City of Belton Fiscal Year 2022 Adopted City Budget for the purpose of completing Belton Senior Center facility improvements and approving the Contract for Service with Haren Contracting, LLC.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Lawson, Trutzel, Powell, Clark, Gough, Peek, Kraft

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-79 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4681**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-80: **An ordinance approving a Final Plat for Bronson Manor; a tract of land in the Northeast quarter of Section 7, Township 46 North, Range 32 West, in the City of Belton, Cass County, Missouri, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the plat for recording with the Cass County Recorder's Office.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Lawson, Trutzel, Powell, Clark, Gough, Peek, Kraft

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-80 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4682**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the final reading of Bill No. 2021-81: **An ordinance approving a Final Plat for Traditions 6th Plat; a tract of land in the Southwest Quarter of Section 18, Township 46 North, Range 32 West, in the City of Belton, Cass County, Missouri, and authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the plat for recording with the Cass County Recorder's Office.**

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

Ayes: 8 Mayor Larkey, Powell, Kraft, Trutzel, Lawson, Clark, Gough, Peek

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-81 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4683**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-82: **An ordinance calling an election on a use tax question in the City of Belton, Missouri.**

Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Trutzel. Ms. Ernzen presented the Council with statistics about e-commerce vs. brick & mortar sales. Councilmember Kraft asked about establishing an oversight committee if the use tax passes. Mayor Larkey said an oversight committee would be ok, but the City needs to keep it flexible on the use of the use tax. Ms. Ernzen will bring a resolution to the next Council meeting to establish the oversight committee. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Cunningham gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-83: **An ordinance approving the Eighth Amendment to the Old Town Belton Redevelopment Plan to approve the 324 Main Street Project as Redevelopment Project 2021-8 and to authorize tax abatement as described therein.**

Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Kraft. Pursuant to RSMo 353.110.3(2), Mayor Larkey opened the public hearing to receive public comments. There was no one present to submit comments. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. First reading passed. **Councilmember Clark moved to hear the final reading.** Councilmember Kraft seconded. Councilmember Kraft said this is because of timing since the next Council meeting isn't until January 11, 2022. Vote to hear the final reading was recorded with all present voting in favor. Motion passed. The final reading was read. Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Trutzel. Vote on the final reading was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Lawson, Powell, Trutzel, Peek, Clark, Kraft, Gough, Mayor Larkey

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Bill No. 2021-83 was declared passed and in full force and effect as **Ordinance No. 2021-4684**, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Cunningham gave the first reading of Bill No. 2021-84: **An ordinance amending Appendix B – Traffic Schedules, Table 6 – no parking zones as referenced in Chapter 13 – Section 13-333 in the Code of Ordinances of the City of Belton, Missouri to establish a “no parking” zone along the east side of Speaker Avenue from East 160th Terrace to East 162nd Street.**

Presented by Councilmember Clark, seconded by Councilmember Gough. 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 Park Department is working on their budget.

MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Larkey thanked everyone for their support last week with the passing of his mother-in-law.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

December 2021/January 2022 City Council Meetings – 6:00 p.m.

December 28, 2021- Canceled

January 11, 2022

January 25, 2022

Chief Lyons provided the Council with an update on the Cass County Covid-19 numbers.

Fire Chief John Sapp said there is a burn ban through Thursday due to high winds.

Ms. Ernzen said the City received a question as to why we can't give away the police property bicycles. These bicycles become City personal property. The Code of Ordinances says personal property must be sold by competitive bid (i.e. auction).

Judge Nigro is going to come to the next Council meeting to talk about the possibility of a mental health court. Chief Lyons is also researching potential grants to hire a social worker who would be a co-responder for crisis intervention. This is something that will come to the Council at a later date.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY COUNCIL

Councilmember Lawson congratulated Ms. Cunningham on her certification. Councilmember Lawson also said it's Mr. Corcoran's birthday today.

Councilmember Peek asked Chief Lyons what preparations the City has done to be ready for tornados. Chief Lyons said our sirens are automatically turned on by the National Weather Service. Staff is also doing tabletop exercises on how we respond.

At 7:06 p.m. Councilmember Clark moved to enter Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to Legal Actions, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.1; and to discuss matters pertaining to negotiated contracts, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.12, and that the record be closed, and the meeting adjourned from there. Councilmember Kraft seconded. The following vote was recorded:

Ayes: 8 Peek, Powell, Trutzel, Gough, Clark, Lawson, Mayor Larkey, Kraft

Noes: 0

Absent: 1 Savage

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned following the executive session.

Andrea Cunningham, City Clerk

Mayor Norman K Larkey, Sr