

CITY OF FENTON, MISSOURI
625 NEW SMIZER MILL ROAD, FENTON, MO 63026
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2021
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING

Mayor Brasses stated in light of the current public health crisis, including specifically the high community transmission in St. Louis County, and related CDC health guidelines, the Board recognizes that it would be dangerous and impractical to have public indoor group gatherings and recognizes that some members of the public may not feel comfortable attending such in-person meetings. The Board also recognizes the need for the public's business to be attended to in order to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. To balance both, and in accordance with Sec. 610.020, RSMo. and R-20-01, this meeting will not be open to in-person public attendance but rather accessible by the public in real time ONLY by a video/teleconference called "Zoom"

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bob Brasses called the Board of Aldermen meeting to order at 8:31 p.m. via Zoom Videoconference (RSMO 610.015) and explained the reasons for conducting the meeting via videoconference, i.e., due to the recent State of Emergency (as specified in the notice above) on Thursday, October 28, 2021.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Mayor Brasses led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

City Clerk Jane Hungler called the roll:

Alderman Ralph Cruts - <i>Present</i>	Alderman Chris Clauss - <i>Present</i>
Alderman Kevin Yarbrough - <i>Present</i>	Alderman Robin Huels - <i>Present</i>
Alderman Brian Wisbrock - <i>Present</i>	Alderman Tom Heard - <i>Absent</i>
Alderman Joe Maurath - <i>Present</i>	Alderman Susan Jokerst - <i>Present</i>

Seven Aldermen were present at the opening of the meeting all by video conference.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Mayor Bob Brasses - *via video conference*
City Attorney Erin Seele, Esq. - *via video conference*
City Administrator Andrea N. Finkbiner - *via video conference*
City Clerk Jane Hungler - *via video conference*
City Planner Amy Starck - *via video conference*
Public Works Director Dan Howard - *via video conference*
St. Louis County Police Precinct Captain Kevin Lawson - *via video conference*

Mayor Brasses stated that he called this Special Meeting for:

- **Consideration of Bill 21-90: An Ordinance of the City of Fenton, Missouri, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with St. Louis Scott Gallagher, LLC for coaching and instruction for the City of Fenton Youth Soccer Program.**

Bill 21-90 An Ordinance Of The City Of Fenton, Missouri, Authorizing The Mayor To Execute An Agreement With St. Louis Scott Gallagher, LLC For Coaching And Instruction For The City Of Fenton Youth Soccer Program.

Sponsor: Huels

Alderman Huels desired first reading of Bill No. 21-90. City Attorney Erin Seele read the Bill one time by title only.

Alderman Huels made a motion to seek a waiver of the rules for a second reading. The motion was seconded by Alderman Yarbrough. Upon a vote being taken, it was announced that the motion was passed unanimously by the Board of Aldermen. City Attorney Erin Seele read Bill No. 21-90 for a second time by title only.

Alderman Maurath inquired why this agreement is being presented. City Administrator Nikki Finkbiner replied it was found that services were being provided without an agreement. Alderman Wisbrock expressed disappointment in previous leadership in the department. Alderman Yarbrough agreed but stated this was a good program with a fair price. Mayor Brasses shared there are policies and procedures in place, they were not followed.

Alderman Huels made a motion that Bill No. 21-90 be enacted as Ordinance No. 4174. The motion was seconded by Alderman Clauss. Upon the roll being called, the Board of Aldermen voted as follows:

Alderman Cruts	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Clauss	<i>Aye</i>
Alderman Yarbrough	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Huels	<i>Aye</i>
Alderman Wisbrock	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Heard	<i>Aye</i>
Alderman Maurath	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Jokerst	<i>Aye</i>

It was announced that Bill No. 21-90 was passed by the Board of Aldermen and would become Ordinance No. 4174 when and if signed by the Mayor.

Alderman Maurath expressed this is another example of why he wants to amend Paid Time Off (PTO). Mayor Brasses suggested to place topic on November agenda under Personnel for further discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 8:40 p.m., Alderman Clauss made a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to Section 610.021(1) Legal Actions, Causes of Action or Litigation... and Section 610.021(3) Hiring, Firing, Disciplining or Promoting Employees... The motion was seconded by Alderman Yarbrough.

Upon the roll being called, the Board of Aldermen voted as follows:

Alderman Cruts	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Clauss	<i>Aye</i>
Alderman Yarbrough	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Huels	<i>Aye</i>
Alderman Wisbrock	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Heard	<i>Absent</i>
Alderman Maurath	<i>Aye</i>	Alderman Jokerst	<i>Aye</i>

It was announced that the motion was passed unanimously by the Board of Aldermen.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:28 p.m., Mayor Brasses reconvened the meeting at which time, with no other business before the Board, Alderman Clauss made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Alderman Wisbrock. Upon a vote being taken, it was announced that the motion was passed unanimously by the Board of Aldermen.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Hungler
City Clerk
City of Fenton