

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BLACK JACK
12500 OLD JAMESTOWN ROAD
JANUARY 17, 2023
7:00 pm**

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

The City Clerk called the roll, and the following members were present:

Councilman Krank	Councilman Hinkle
Councilman Grady	Councilman White
Councilwoman Lawson	Councilman Pointer
Councilman Miller	Councilwoman Thames

The City Clerk attested that a quorum was present. Mayor McCourt called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

ABSENT:

None

EXCUSED:

PUBLIC HEARING:

None

PRESENTATIONS:

None

PROCLAMATIONS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor McCourt called for additions, corrections, or changes to the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 20, 2022. The minutes were approved as distributed.

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

COMMENTS, QUESTIONS, PETITIONS, ETC. FROM THE PUBLIC:

50 1. Dr. Pearlie Morris President of Trailwoods Home Owners Association asked the council what
51 the plans for the vacant lots in the subdivision was.

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54 Councilman Grady stated that until someone wants to purchase those lots, the city is only
55 responsible for maintaining the property.

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57 Councilman Hinkle reiterated that until someone offer to buy property the city council will
58 contact the subdivision and asked for their input on the lots, go from there, but without
59 someone wanting to buy the council cannot move forward.

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61 **MAYOR'S REPORT:**

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63 Mayor McCourt updated the council on the Tree Removal Bid were opened today and there will
64 be more information on the next council meeting. MSD has released their hold on the park
65 sewer the problem was where the sewer was connected were located so Bids can go out. MSD
66 due back end of March.

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68 **OFFICIALS:**

69 Councilman Miller attended an economical development meeting on January 13, 2023,
70 regarding the Jamestown Mall. The meetings are held the 2nd Friday every other month.
71 Councilman Miller stated that sub committees were put together to collect suggestion on what
72 the community want for the area. The committee is suggesting agricultural innovational center.
73 He has received a report that explains in detail of what that entails. He asked if anyone has
74 ideas, please let him know. Councilman Miller will propose the suggestion that will come from
75 the council.

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77 Councilman Krank asked was there any discussion on tearing down the building, if so when will
78 this be conducted.

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80 Councilman Miller stated that money is available, and RFP has been sent out, but there has been
81 no response on the Bid.

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83 Councilman Hinkle stated he also met with a subcommittee that Shalonda Webb has setup with
84 food insecurities dealing with North County. Ms. Webb has set aside ARPA funding of
85 \$5,000.000.00 for food insecurities for District 4 only. She plans to meet with the grocery stores
86 and unions to do a different product model in the county. Marlene Terry plans to meet with
87 farmers market organization to help with the food insecurities in North County.

88 Councilman Hinkle stated that he was interested in a timeline for a farmer's market and has
89 offered to use Black Jack park for a mobile farmers market similar to the one in Alton until the
90 larger farmers market is up and running.

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92 **REPORTS FROM COMMISSIONS/BOARDS:**

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94 Councilman Grady stated that the Parks Board met on January 9th. for a monthly meeting, but
95 the meeting was cancelled due to no quorum. The board meeting has been rescheduled for
96 January 23, for a special call meeting. The primary discussion on the agenda will be the budget
97 for this coming year. Consider options to secure the comfort stations to rebuild. Also, the
98 committee has requested to meet with the traffic commission to investigate a turning lane at
99 the end of Parker Rd and Jerries Ln.

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Mayor McCourt informed Councilman Grady that the County has to be contacted not the traffic commission.

Councilman Grady stated he received a call from a Mr. Kirkwood inquiring about the appraisal for the Old City Hall building.

COMMITTEE:

None

SPECIAL COUNSEL:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

PENDING LEGISLATION:

Councilman Hinkle moved to place Resolution ##230101, under Resolutions and assigned to Councilman Grady as the sponsor and Resolution #230102 under Resolutions and assigned to Councilman Pointer as the sponsor. and Resolution #230103 under Resolutions and assigned to Councilman Krank as the sponsor. and Resolution #230104 under Resolutions and assigned to Councilwoman Thames as the sponsor. and Resolution #230105 under Resolutions and assigned to Councilman Miller as the sponsor.

Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

NEW BUSINESS:

None

RESOLUTIONS:

- 1. Resolution #230101, entitled, SAFETY AND LOSS PREVENTION was read by title only. Councilman Grady moved to place Resolution #230101 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

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2. Resolution #230102, entitled, MID-YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR 2023 was read in its entirety. Councilman Pointer moved to place Resolution #230102 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

3. Resolution #230103, entitled, A RESOLUTION ADJUSTING T FOR 2022-2023 was read in its entirety. Councilman Krank moved to place Resolution #230103 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

4. Resolution #230104, entitled, SALARY/WAGE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE CITY OF BLACK JACK MISSOURI EMPLOYEES was read in its entirety. Councilwoman Thames moved to place Resolution #230104 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

5. Resolution #230105, entitled, INCREASING THE CONSULTING ENGINEERS VIJAH BHASIN RATE OF HIS HOURLY PAY. was read in its entirety. Councilman Miller moved to place Resolution #230105 on its passage. Motion was seconded and passed when a poll of the Council produced the following vote:

Councilman Krank	yes	Councilman Hinkle	yes
Councilman Grady	yes	Councilman White	yes
Councilwoman Lawson	yes	Councilman Pointer	yes
Councilman Miller	yes	Councilwoman Thames	yes

MISCELLANEOUS:

Mayor McCourt stated that the Voice Pro payment has been made.

Mayor McCourt informed the council that the Bid Opening was today, there was a two week notice in paper and 4 bids were received January 17, 2023. Once Mayor McCourt and Mr. Braselman review the Bids it will be discussed at next council meeting.

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FINAL ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE MAYOR:

None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm

THE DECEMBER 20, 2022, CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED DURING THE JANUARY 17, 2023, COUNCIL MEETING.

Norman C. McCourt, Mayor

ATTEST:

Alicia Y. Hines
City Clerk