

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEST PLAINS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Monday, October 16, 2023
5:30 p.m. Regular Session

The West Plains City Council met in regular session on October 16, 2023, in the council chambers at City Hall, 1910 Holiday Lane, with the following members present: Mayor Mike Topliff, Mayor Pro-Tem Jessica Nease, Councilman John Niesen, Councilman Johnny Murrell and Councilman Greg Collins. City Administrator Sam Anselm, City Attorney Charles Cantrell and City Clerk Allison Skinner were also present.

I. Preliminaries

Mayor Topliff called the meeting to order and gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Public Hearing

No one requested to speak.

III. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of minutes for the September 18, 2023, regular meeting
- b. Bid – Warehouse remodel: electrician hourly rate
- c. Bid – Vehicle for the police department
- d. Planning and Zoning Recommendations:
 - a. Site development plan: Dexter Frost, 822 Missouri Avenue
 - b. Site development plan: McAlister's Deli
- e. Tourism Board new member recommendation:
 - a. John Harris, new two-year term to expire October 2025
- f. South 160 Community Improvement District Board of Directors member recommendations for news to expire October 17, 2027:
 - a. Richard Silvey
 - b. Alan Ramseur
 - c. Brad Thessing

Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.

IV. Ordinances

- a. **Bill 4747 to become Ordinance 4747 - First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to add the following section to the city code: Chapter 28, Offenses, Article III – Offenses Against Public Health and Safety, Section 28-84 Possession of Marijuana, Section 28-85 Public Consumption of Marijuana, Section 28-86 Consumption of Marijuana in a Motor Vehicle, and Section 28-87 Marijuana Accessories.
Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.

- b. Bill 4748 to become Ordinance 4748 - First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to amend the City Code by deleting Division 3 of Article VI pertaining to an Electrical Board.
Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.
- c. Bill 4749 to become Ordinance 4749 - First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, prohibiting parking on Howell Avenue from Olden Street south to Bratton Avenue, East Olden Street 325 feet West of Howell Avenue, Third Street 325 feet West of Howell Avenue, and East Olden Street from Howell Avenue to Davidson Street.
Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.
- d. Bill 4750 to become Ordinance 4750 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the City and Utility Budget beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024.
Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.
- e. Bill 4751 to become Ordinance 4751 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the adoption of the Tax Increment Financing (TIF) #1, #2, and #3 budgets for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2024.
Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.
- f. Bill 4752 to become Ordinance 4752 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the proposed water rates.
Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.
- g. Bill 4753 to become Ordinance 4753 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the proposed electric rates.
Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.
- h. Bill 4754 to become Ordinance 4754 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the proposed sewer rates.
Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.
- i. Bill 4755 to become Ordinance 4755 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to approve the proposed sanitation rates.
Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.
- j. Bill 4756 to become Ordinance 4756 – First Reading.** An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to add the following section to the City Code: Chapter 2, Administration, Article IV – Boards, Commissions, Committees, and Councils, Division 10. – Airport Advisory Board Section 2-299 Appointment, Section 2-300

Selections and Terms, Section 2-301 Selection of Officers, 2-302
Recommendations.

Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.

- k. **Bill 4757 to become Ordinance 4757** – First Reading. An Ordinance by the City of West Plains, Missouri, to amend and replace the following three existing sections of the City Code: CHAPTER 50 - ZONING, ARTICLE III. – DISTRICTS, DIVISION 13. – HEALTHCARE DISTRICT, SECTION 50-442 Standards for medical marijuana dispensaries, SECTION 50-443 Standards for medical marijuana-infused products manufacturing facility, and 50-444 Standards for medical marijuana cultivation facilities.

Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.

V. **Resolutions**

- a. **Resolution 2023-28** – A Resolution of the City of West Plains, Missouri, authorizing the vacation of an existing unused 20-foot-wide sewer easement (the “Easement”) located in the southwest quarter of Section 29, Township 24 North, Range 8 West to allow for the expansion of the existing Walmart.

Councilman Johnny Murrell made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion carried.

VI. **Council Action**

VII. **City Administrator’s Report**

City Administrator Sam Anselm reported students from West Plains Elementary will be visiting City Hall on October 31, 2023.

VIII. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 16th DAY OF November, 2023.

CITY OF WEST PLAINS, MISSOURI

BY:

Michael Topliff
MAYOR MICHAEL TOPLIFF

ATTEST:

Allison Skinner
CITY CLERK ALLISON SKINNER