

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEST PLAINS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
Tuesday, February 20, 2024
5:30 p.m. Regular Session

The West Plains City Council met in regular session on February 20, 2024, 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. Also present were City Administrator Sam Anselm, City Attorney Charles Cantrell, and Interim City Clerk Kellie Mayers.

Preliminaries

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

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of minutes for the January 16, 2024 regular meeting, and January 23, 2024 special meeting
2. Planning and Zoning Recommendations
 1. Site development plan: Al Kharitonov
3. Bid-Brass for Inventory
4. Bid-High Service Pump #3
5. Bid-Surplus Vehicles
6. Bid-Water and sewer extension for Garner Villas Phase I
7. Bid-Parks and Recreation Vehicle
8. Annual MODOT Highway Safety Program Authorization
9. Approval of Tourism Board members:
 1. Four reappointments to expire in February 2026:
 1. Lindsey Thompson
 2. Haley Mitchell
 3. Michael Hullinger
 4. Josh Cotter
10. Fireworks Display:
 1. Heart of the Ozarks Fairgrounds Eclipse – Dr. Brian Morrison

Councilwoman Jessica Nease made a motion to approve the consent agenda seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion carried.

Recognition of Guests

1. Kathleen Morrissey – Received a Missouri Leadership in the Arts award and expressed her gratitude to the City of West Plains and the citizens.

Ordinances

1. Bill 4764 to become Ordinance 4764 – Second Reading. An Ordinance of the City of West Plains, Missouri, to repeal and replace Chapter 46 – Utilities, Article V. – Stormwater Management of the city code. Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion passed.

	Aye	Nay	Not Voting	Not Present
Councilman Collins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Murrell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilwoman Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Niesen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor Topliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Bill 4765 to become Ordinance 4765 – Second Reading. An Ordinance of the City of West Plains, Missouri, to amend or repeal the following six existing sections of the city code: CHAPTER 18 – COURTS ARTICLE II. – MUNICIPAL COURT SECTION 18-29. – Security for court costs, SECTION 18-36. – Assessment of costs, SECTION 18-39. – Assessment for spinal cord injury fund, SECTION 18-41. – Collection of additional costs for certain violations involving motorcycle or motortricycle, SECTION 18-44. – Appeals. (c), SECTION 18-45. – Sheriff’s retirement fund. Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion passed.

	Aye	Nay	Not Voting	Not Present
Councilman Collins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Murrell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilwoman Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Niesen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor Topliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Bill 4766 to become Ordinance 4766 – First Reading. An Ordinance to annex a section of property owned by Justin Huddleston and Kelsie Rasor Huddleston into the city limits of West Plains. Councilman Niesen made a motion to approve seconded by Councilman Collins. Motion passed.

	Aye	Nay	Not Voting	Not Present
Councilman Collins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Murrell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilwoman Nease	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Councilman Niesen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor Topliff	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Resolutions

1. Resolution 2024-02. A Resolution of the City of West Plains, Missouri, authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement with the Howell County Health Department for Environmental Public Health Services. Councilman Murrell made a motion to approve seconded by Councilman Niesen. Motion passed.

Council Action

City Administrator's Report

- City Administrator, Sam Anselm stated that the West Plains Public Library will have a book fair on Friday 2-23-2024 and will extend its hours to 7:00 p.m. Councilman Murrell inquired about small groups renting rooms at the library.
- The West Plains Civic Center will be hosting an MSU-WP Grizzly home game on Wednesday 2-21-2024 at 7:00 p.m. against Three Rivers College.
- The play, Alice in Wonderland, will continue performances at the West Plains Civic Center Thursday 2-22-2024 through Sunday 2-25-2024.
- American Red Cross will be at the West Plains Civic Center on Friday 2-23-2024 for a blood drive.
- Brewfest will be held at the West Plains Civic Center on Saturday 2-24-2024 at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are available for \$30 in advance or \$40 at the door.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.