



BOARD OF ALDERMEN
Meeting Minutes

FEBRUARY 24, 2025

7:00 PM 1 GOVERNMENT CTR. BALLWIN, MO 63011

THE MINUTES ARE PREPARED IN SUMMARY TO REFLECT THE OVERALL DISCUSSIONS, NOT VERBATIM QUOTES.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pogue at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mayor Tim Pogue
Alderman Mike Utt
Alderman Michael Finley
Alderman Pamela Haug
Alderman Mark Stallmann
Alderman Frank Fleming
Alderman Mark Weaver
Alderman David Siegel
Alderman Jim Lehmkuhl
City Administrator Eric Sterman
City Attorney Kyle Cronin

Absent

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

MINUTES

The minutes from the February 10, 2025 Board of Aldermen meeting were submitted for approval.

A motion to approve as submitted was made by Alderman Frank Fleming and seconded by Alderman Michael Finley. A voice vote was taken with unanimous affirmative result and the motion passed.

The minutes from the February 10, 2025 Board of Aldermen Closed Session meeting were submitted for approval. A motion to approve as submitted was made by Alderman Frank Fleming and seconded by Alderman Michael Finley. A voice vote was taken with unanimous affirmative result and the motion passed.



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CITIZEN COMMENTS

Tequila Gray, 246 Pine Tree Lane, noted she's running for Alderman in Ward 2 and commented on the recent support she's garnered from the local labor clubs.

Colleen Tepen, 441 Dogwood Hills Ct, read a statement to the Board about not getting her money's worth from Congresswoman Ann Wagner and not being able to have her voice heard in that district.

John Higdon, 324 Woodmar Ct., thanked the City for the recent shred events and asked about the roads in the Claymont subdivision. City Administrator Eric Sterman noted the City is planning on doing work in-house this year to replace curb & gutters and paving and repaving over the next two to three years. Public Works Director Jim Link noted the City is still negotiating repairs and waiting for Missouri American Water to come back and fix some things.

CONSENT ITEMS

Administration – 2025 Merit Raises

Staff recommends the Board approve a salary increase of 3% for all full-time staff effective April 1, 2025.

Discussion:

Alderman Mark Stallmann noted the raises are going into effect on April 1st.

Alderman David Siegel asked about adding in street maintenance level one and two positions. City Administrator Eric Sterman noted that was put in there to allow us to recruit at a higher level for those with experience and training already.

A motion was made by Alderman Frank Fleming and seconded by Alderman Michael Finley to accept staff's recommendation. A voice vote was taken with unanimous affirmative result and the motion passed.

Police – 2025 Ballwin Police Vehicle Purchase

Staff recommends purchasing five white Dodge Durangos from Landmark Dodge under Missouri State Contract #MB00089820 for a total cost of \$209,820.

Discussion:

Alderman David Siegel asked what other technology officers would like to see in the cars. Captain Curt Saitta noted there have been technology challenges with license plate readers, but with the amount of technology already in these cars they would have a hard time with making sure everything is fully charged.

Alderman Mark Stallmann thanked the Police Department for taking advantage of this offer to allow the City to purchase five cars for the price of four.

A motion was made by Alderman Frank Fleming and seconded by Alderman Michael Finley to accept staff's recommendation. A voice vote was taken with unanimous affirmative result and the motion passed.



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MAYOR’S REPORT

None.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

City Administrator Eric Sterman noted he would like to have a public Safety Committee meeting sometime in March.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

None.

ALDERMANIC COMMENTS

Alderman Mark Stallmann noted the grocery sales tax legislation is back in discussion in the Missouri House of Representatives. He also noted it would be a \$2.6 million hit to the City’s budget and would require massive cuts to City services if approved. Alderman Stallmann asked about the E-Recycling event.

Parks & Recreation Director Chris Conway noted there is an E-Recycling event coming up on February 27th that is free up to a certain amount. City Administrator Eric Sterman noted residents of Ballwin can get free television disposal through Republic Services.

Alderman Michael Finley noted he had a constituent ask about options for deer population minimization.

Community Policing Officer Jenna Christian noted there is a hunt every year and there have only been 29 deer killed in the past year’s hunt.

There was discussion regarding other options for deer population that are more expensive. Alderman Finley noted it would be a waste to spend money on that for a problem that can’t be solved.

Alderman Finley also noted with the warm weather here, there have been more solicitors. He asked the City to remind residents that solicitors are required to have a license in the City.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Frank Fleming and seconded by Alderman Michael Finley to adjourn. The motion was passed by unanimous affirmative voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

TIM POGUE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MEGAN FREEMAN, CITY CLERK