

**MINUTES
PARK HILLS COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR SESSION
JULY 11, 2023**

The Park Hills City Council met in regular session Tuesday July 11, 2023 at the Park Hills Council Chambers. Mayor Stacey Easter called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Councilman Carl Courtois and Mayor Stacey Easter led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman David Easter	Present
Councilwoman Spring Gray	Absent
Councilman Alan Coleman	Present
Councilman Carl Courtois	Present
Councilman Wayne Cook	Present
Councilwoman Cindi Penberthy	Present
Councilwoman Donna Dettmer	Present
Councilman Steve Weinhold	Present
Mayor Stacey Easter	Present

Also present were City Clerk Brandy Marler, City Attorney Nathan Bollinger, City Administrator Zachary Franklin, Community Development Director Tyler Henson, Court Administrator Tracy Fisher

VISTORS AND DELEGATIONS

Carrie Wadlow to speak on City policies-Carrie Wadlow wanted to apologize for her reactions from previous meetings stating that the City had bigger issues to take care of. Mayor Easter spoke on how there is a lot of misinformation online and that leads to issues for officials when they have to spend a lot of time debunking this information and that time could be used taking care of actual problems and issues around town.

MINUTES

Councilman Weinhold made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Penberthy to approve the minutes of June 13, 2023 and June 30, 2023

The motion carried with all in favor and no one opposed on voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

Bill# 1597- An Ordinance regulating marijuana cultivation, manufacturing, testing and dispensaries. Mayor Easter read Bill #1597 two times by title. Councilman Cook made a motion, seconded by Councilwoman Penberthy to approve Bill #1597 as presented. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman David Easter	Yes
Councilwoman Spring Gray	Absent
Councilman Alan Coleman	Yes

Councilman Carl Courtois	Yes
Councilman Wayne Cook	Yes
Councilwoman Cindi Penberthy	Yes
Councilwoman Donna Dettmer	Yes
Councilman Steve Weinhold	Yes

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0

Bill# 1598- An Ordinance amending section 130.24 “Commitment in County Jail” Mayor Easter read Bill #1598 two times by title. Councilwoman Penberthy made a motion, seconded by Councilman Weinhold to approve Bill #1598 as presented. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman David Easter	Yes
Councilwoman Spring Gray	Absent
Councilman Alan Coleman	Yes
Councilman Carl Courtois	Yes
Councilman Wayne Cook	Yes
Councilwoman Cindi Penberthy	Yes
Councilwoman Donna Dettmer	Yes
Councilman Steve Weinhold	Yes

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0

Reinvestment of CDs

Mayor Easter recommended investing the two CDs that are maturing. It was agreed to invest both \$100,000 CDs into Unico for 6 months at an interest rate of 4.65%

DISCUSSION

Park Hills Municipal Division Court Review Report. Court Administrator, Tracy Fisher spoke on her audit that was done by Supreme Court. Tracy discussed the findings from the Audit and the corrective actions that are being taken to fix any issues.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Development, Code Enforcement, Ordinance Committee – Chairperson Steve Weinhold

The committee met June 9, 2023 to discuss the ordinance pertaining to roosters.

Administration, Personnel, Finance, ARPA Funds Committee – Chairperson Carl Courtois

No report

Public Works, Utilities Committee – Chairperson Alan Coleman

No report

Police, Fire, Court Committee – Chairperson Spring Gray

No report

Parks, Library, Senior Center, Pool Committee – Chairperson Donna Dettmer
No Report

CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT

City Administrator Zach Franklin thanked all those involved in making the 4th of July event a huge success. Zach also thanked those who helped make the Sauces and Shows/Firecracker run a success as well. Zach informed the council that the Community Development Department is now fully staffed.

Zach spoke on Missouri Lagers retirement and how he has had the initial assessment done to see if it would be possible. Zach plans on bringing more information to a work session meeting.

Zach spoke on MODOT grant which helps identify issues in a community and TAP which pertains to forms of transportation pathways.

Progress is being made at the Aquatic Center and is still on track for an April 2024 opening.

CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION

Councilman Weinhold-Congratulated the Park Hills Underground on a job well done for the Cannablaze Festival that was held on July 8, 2023.

Councilman Courtois-Thanked Jason Durrett for how well the Cannablaze festival went.

Councilman Coleman-Asked about the asphalt budget because Third Street and Simmons all the way to Jefferson Street need paved.

MAYOR’S DISCUSSION

Mayor Stacey Easter spoke on Sauces and Shows/Firecracker Run. The 4th of July firework celebration was a huge success despite concerns over the lack of rain. Mayor Easter thanked all those involved, Eric Marler, John Franks and Dooley Politte. The city had a lot of compliments on how great the fireworks show was.

Mayor Easter spoke on how the Park Hills Underground took all steps necessary to make the Cannablaze Festival happen. The event ran smooth and the area stayed clean. There were some concerns before the festival but mainly due to citizens unaware of what event was taking place. Mayor Easter asked Mr. Durrett (owner of Park Hills Underground) if he would like to speak. Mr. Durrett said his business is a venue, not a bar and he brings in all types of artists. Jason said the music festival was amazing and brought a lot of people to Park Hills. Mr. Durrett is looking at other events to have in the future and he appreciates the support from everyone.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

No Report

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilman Coleman made a motion, seconded by Councilman Easter to adjourn to executive session as requested by Mayor Easter to discuss matters pertaining to:

- (a) legal actions, causes of action or litigation involving a public governmental body and any confidential or privileged communications between a public governmental body or its representatives and its attorneys as authorized by Section 610.021 (1) RSMo.
- (b) leasing, purchase, or sale of real estate by a public governmental body where public knowledge of the transaction might adversely affect the legal consideration therefore as authorize by Section 610.021 (2) RSMo.

(c) and hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting of particular employees by a public governmental body when personal information about the employee is discussed or recorded as authorized by Section 610.021 (3) RSMo. Roll call was as follows:

Councilman David Easter	Yes
Councilwoman Spring Gray	Absent
Councilman Alan Coleman	Yes
Councilman Carl Courtois	Yes
Councilman Wayne Cook	Yes
Councilwoman Cindi Penberthy	Yes
Councilwoman Donna Dettmer	Yes
Councilman Steve Weinhold	Yes

The motion carried with a vote of 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:40p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilman Cook made a motion, seconded by Councilman Coleman to adjourn. *The motion carried with all in favor and no one opposed on voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.*

Brandy Matler

Brandy Matler, City Clerk

Approved by City Council this 8 day of August, 2023.

Stacy Easter
Mayor

