



**MINUTES OF THE  
CITY OF FRONTENAC  
BOARD OF ALDERPERSONS  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 28, 2025**

The May 28, 2025, regular meeting of the Board of Alderpersons of the City of Frontenac was called to order at 6:11 p.m. with Mayor Pat Kilker, presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was stated.

**A. ROLL CALL**

The Alderpersons present were Tim Sant, Scott Mullis, Jamie Griesedieck, Tom O'Brien, and Dan Millman.

Ms. Cooper noted a quorum for tonight's meeting.

Also, in attendance were City Attorney Kevin O'Keefe, Interim City Administrator/City Clerk, Leesa Ross; Police Chief, Craig Picha; Fire Chief, Floyd Blake; Assistant Fire Chief, Kevin Halloran; Public Works Director, Jeff Wappelhorst; Finance Officer, Lea Ann Bennett; Building Commissioner, David Fairgrieve and Administrative Clerk, Shari Cooper.

**B. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA**

Mayor Kilker requested a motion to approve tonight's agenda.

**MOTION:** Alderperson Griesedieck made a motion and Alderperson O'Brien made a second to approve and adopt tonight's agenda. **MOTION PASSED by a vote of 5-0.**

**C. PUBLIC FORUM**

Barbara Sterkel, 43 Portland Dr., spoke on behalf of the Frontenac Garden Club and requested a better opportunity to improve communications and understanding of potential collaboration with the City of Frontenac. She also reported she was watching a show on YouTube regarding the top ten cities to live in within St. Louis County. Town & Country was three (3), Ladue was two (2) and Frontenac was number one (1) on this show, it demonstrated the beauty of Frontenac. She stated there had been miscommunications posting the 2025 Garden Club Tour. This will require the City Staff to help. The mayor stated that he had spoken with Rita Diekemper, President of Frontenac Garden Club. He stated the City has allocated funds as of July 1, 2025, to help support the Garden Club.

Kin Watkins, 2815 Stonington Place, requested that attachments be added to the agenda. Ms. Ross stated that these are posted in City Hall by 5:00 pm on Friday. Agendas are required to be posted 24

hours prior to the start of a meeting. Ms. Ross stated she will further discuss with the mayor regarding attachments being placed on the City's website.

#### **D. MAYOR'S COMMENTS, REPORTS AND APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Kilker said a few words regarding Annie DiPasco, a resident of Hermitage Hill who he is appointing to fulfill the remainder of his term of office.

Mayor Kilker asked for a motion for the appointment of Annie DiPasco to Alderwoman (Ward 1).

**MOTION**: A motion was made by Alderperson Griesedieck and seconded by Alderperson O'Brien to approve Mayor Kilker's appointment of Annie DiPasco to Alderwoman (Ward 1). All Alderpersons present voted "Aye". The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED**.

#### **E. SWEAR IN NEWLY APPOINTED OFFICIAL**

Ms. Ross swore in Alderperson Annie DiPasco (Ward 1).

#### **F. COMMENTS – BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

Alderman Mullis commented on the closing of Lindbergh Blvd. at Deer Creek by MoDOT. Alderman Mullis stated that he has received several calls from residents asking if the emergency response times will be delayed due to the closing of Lindbergh Blvd. or if the city has made plans to make sure they stay the same.

Police Chief, Craig Picha stated that he has spoken to both neighboring police chiefs of Ladue and Creve Coeur and they are both fully aware of the situation. He stated that if any assistance is needed, they are happy to help. He also stated we are monitoring the traffic.

Alderman Griesedieck stated there is still a traffic notifier that is still sending people to the closed area. He believes it will get better.

Alderman Millman stated that a home across the street had been burglarized. He said within minutes they had response from our police department and neighboring police departments. He thanked the police for the quick response.

#### **G. CITY STAFF REPORTS**

- **City Clerk / Interim City Administrator Report:**

Ms. Ross requested to delay the passing of this year's budget from the May Board Meeting until the June Board Meeting. Alderman O'Brien asked if the Ways and Means Committee will meet prior to our June Board Meeting. Ms. Ross stated yes.

Mayor Kilker asked for a motion for the Board to vote to delay the passage of the budget.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alderperson Millman and seconded by Alderperson Sant to delay the approval of the 2025-2026 budget until the June 2025 meeting. All Alderpersons present voted “Aye”. The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

Ms. Ross continued by thanking the mayor for the article that he placed in the Friday Email Newsletter about herself. She did give a brief report on her conference from last week.

Ms. Ross commended both the Police and Fire Departments for their added services during the recent tornado.

- **Financials:**

Ms. Bennett stated, looking at March financials year-to-date, the City’s revenues are up by 2.7% or \$284,000, expenses are down by 2.2% or \$218,000 and sales tax is up over 4.5% from last year but we are behind budget by 2 ½%.

#### **H. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. **Minutes:** April 22, 2025, Regular Meeting
2. **Warrant List:** April 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025
3. **Resolution No. 2025-593:** A resolution supporting public safety initiatives and enhancements in the City of Frontenac, Missouri.
4. **Resolution No. 2025-594:** A resolution authorizing and directing the mayor to execute a letter of engagement governing compensation for employment law counsel by Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak, and Stewart, P.C.
5. **Resolution No. 2025-595:** A resolution authorizing the City Administrator to issue notice to proceed to EDM Inc. on its proposal for professional services for project engineering on stormwater improvements for North and West Geyer Roads, Supplemental #3.

A discussion was held.

**MOTION:** Alderperson O’Brien made a motion and Alderperson Millman made a second to approve the consent agenda.

Mayor Kilker asked Ms. Cooper for a roll call of the Board of Alderpersons.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Alderperson Sant, “Aye”, Alderperson Mullis, “Aye”; Alderperson Griesedieck, “Aye”; Alderperson O’Brien, “Aye”; Alderperson Millman, “Aye” and Alderwoman DiPasco, “Aye”. The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED by a vote of 6-0.**

## **I. NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Bill No. 2025-2108:** An ordinance amending the personnel handbook for the City of Frontenac.

Ms. Ross stated that there have been two changes made per Kevin O’Keefe’s recommendation to the bill that was in place.

The first one being paid parental leave being only three weeks after the birth or placement of the child. The second being tuition reimbursement, which was left out of the employee handbook from a previous update.

A discussion was held.

Mayor Kilker asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2025-2108.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alderperson Griesedieck and seconded by Alderperson Mullis for a second reading of Bill No. 2025-2108. All Alderpersons present voted “Aye”. The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

**Bill No. 2025-2108:** An ordinance amending the personnel handbook for the City of Frontenac.

**MOTION:** Alderman Millman made a motion and Alderman Mullis seconded the approval of Bill No. 2025-2108.

Mayor Kilker asked Ms. Cooper for a roll call vote of the Board of Alderpersons.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Alderperson Mullis, “Aye”; Alderperson Griesedieck, “Aye”; Alderperson O’Brien, “Aye”; Alderperson Millman, “Aye”; Alderwoman DiPasco, “Aye”; and Alderperson Sant, “Aye”. The vote was passed. **MOTION PASSED by a vote of 6-0.**

2. **Bill No. 2025-2109:** An ordinance amending Chapter 120 of the Frontenac City Code relating to the Architectural Review Board.

Ms. Ross stated that Mayor Kilker requests to amend the number of members on the Architectural Review Board from four (4) members to five (5) members and to change a quorum of two (2) members to three (3) members as of July 1, 2025.

A discussion was held.

Mayor Kilker asked for a second reading of Bill No. 2025-2109.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alderperson Mullis and seconded by Alderperson O'Brien for a second reading of Bill No. 2025-2109. All Alderpersons present voted "Aye". The vote was unanimous. **MOTION PASSED.**

**Bill No. 2025-2109:** An ordinance amending Chapter 120 of the Frontenac City Code relating to the Architectural Review Board.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Alderperson Griesedieck and seconded by Alderperson Millman to approve Bill No. 2025-2109.

Mayor Kilker asked Ms. Cooper for a roll call vote of the Board of Alderpersons.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Alderperson Griesedieck, "Aye"; Alderperson O'Brien, "Aye"; Alderperson Millman, "Aye"; Alderwoman DiPasco, "Aye"; Alderperson Sant, "Aye"; and Alderperson Mullis, "Aye". The vote was passed. **MOTION PASSED by a vote of 6-0.**

#### **J. EXECUTIVE SESSION R.S.MO 610.021 (1) LEGAL (3) PERSONNEL**

Mayor Kilker asked for a motion to go into the Executive Session.

**MOTION:** Alderperson Griesedieck made a motion and Alderperson Millman seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Kilker asked Ms. Cooper for a roll call vote of the Board of Alderpersons.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** Alderperson O'Brien, "Aye"; Alderperson Millman, "Aye"; Alderwoman DiPasco, "Aye"; Alderperson Sant, "Aye"; Alderperson Mullis, "Aye" and Alderperson Griesedieck, "Aye". The vote was passed. **MOTION PASSED by a vote of 6-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 P.M.

#### **K. ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Kilker asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

**MOTION:** Alderperson O'Brien made a motion and Alderperson Sant seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 P.M.