

**CITY OF COTTLEVILLE**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025**

The Board of Aldermen held their meeting in the City Hall boardroom located at 5490 5<sup>th</sup> Street Cottleville, Missouri.

Mayor Bob Ronkoski called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Amy C. Lewis, City Clerk, called roll and those present at roll were:

Alderman Guccione	Present
Alderman Colombatto	Present
Alderman Gnau	Present
Alderman Krekeler	Present

There were four (4) members present and zero (0) absent.

**4. Mayor's Report**

A. Introduce and swear-in new Police Officer Tim Albano.

Mrs. Lewis, City Clerk provided the oath of office for Police Officer Tim Albano.

**5. Board of Aldermen's Report**

a. Recognition of Service for Alderman Emilie Colombatto.

Mayor Bob Ronkoski presented Alderman Emilie Colombatto with a certificate of appreciation and a Cottleville flag for her dedicated service to the residents and the City of Cottleville.

b. Recognition of Service for Mayor Bob Ronkoski.

Alderman Guccione, President of the Board presented Mayor Bob Ronkoski with a plaque and Cottleville flag recognizing his dedicated 12-year service to the residents and the City of Cottleville.

**6. Public Hearing**

None.

**7. Citizen Petitions and Public Comments.**

Pamela Nicks, of 1440 Brittany Cove Drive spoke to the Mayor and Board of Aldermen and stated she moved here in 2019. She further stated she almost lost the real estate closing on her home due to the actions of a local business owner, manager and 2 residents of which one serves on a City committee. On an unrelated note she was disappointed to receive an email just prior to the election. She further stated she has faith in the new administration.

Gina Harmon, Cottleville business owner but residing at 20 Hill Pointe Court, read a prayer thanking the former administration and watching over the new administration as well as all Cottleville employees.

**8. Consent Agenda**

Alderman Guccione moved to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Colombatto seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

- A. Approval of Minutes, March 19, 2025, Work Session
- B. Approval of Minutes, March 19, 2025, Regular Session
- C. Approval of Minutes, March 19, 2025, Closed Session
- D. Acknowledgement of or Approval to Purchases/Pay:
  - 1. Mike Evans Facility Consultants - Furniture & Fixture Purchase for Remodeling Project of the Police Department Squad Room; BuyBoard Cooperative Purchase Price \$10,805.00.
  - 2. 2025 St. Charles County Drug Task Force Annual Renewal for Police Department Membership - \$10,986.
  - 3. 2025-2026 Omnigo Software Systems Renewal - Records Management and Mobile Patrol for Police Department - \$36,665.67.
  - 4. Change Order #1 Duke Construction, Inv. 1277 Amphitheater Stage Expansion Added Sidewalk \$ 2,850.00
- E. Approval of Expenditures / Acknowledgement of any Financial Information
- F. Boards, Commission, and Staff Reports

#### 9. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda

None.

#### 10. Resolutions

None.

#### 11. Bills for Final Passage

- A. Bill No. 25-007 - An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville Missouri, Authorizing the Chief of Police to Negotiate, Execute, and Submit a Traffic Enforcement Application to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, for a DWI Enforcement Grant.

Alderman Krekeler moved for the second reading of Bill # 25-007. **An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville Missouri, Authorizing the Chief of Police to Negotiate, Execute, and Submit a Traffic Enforcement Application to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, for a DWI Enforcement Grant.** Alderman Guccione seconded the motion. Alderman Guccione moved to vote on Bill # 25-007. Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. A vote was then taken:

Alderman Guccione	Yea
Alderman Krekeler	Yea
Alderman Gnau	Yea
Alderman Colombatto	Yea

Ordinance 2197 passed by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There was one nay vote and no abstentions.

- B. Bill No. 25-008 - An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville Missouri, Authorizing the Chief of Police to Negotiate, Execute, and Submit a Traffic Enforcement Application to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, for a Hazardous Moving Enforcement Grant.

Alderman Gnau moved for the second reading of Bill # 25-008. **An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville Missouri, Authorizing the Chief of Police to Negotiate, Execute, and Submit a Traffic Enforcement Application to the Missouri Department of Transportation, Traffic and Highway Safety Division, for a Hazardous Moving Enforcement Grant.** Alderman Krekeler seconded the motion. Alderman Guccione moved to vote on Bill # 25-008. Alderman Colombatto seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. A vote was then taken:

Alderman Guccione	Yea
Alderman Krekeler	Yea
Alderman Gnau	Yea
Alderman Colombatto	Yea

Ordinance 2198 passed by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There was no nay votes and no abstentions.

## 12. Tabled Bills and Resolutions

None.

## 13. Adjourn Sine Die

Alderman Guccione moved to adjourn the meeting sine die at 7:12pm. Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

## 14. Administer Oath of Office to New and Re-elected City Officials

- a. Alderman Ward 1 – Elizabeth Holt
- b. Alderman Ward 2 – Johnny Gnau
- c. Mayor – Stephen Thompson

Mrs. Lewis, City Clerk, conducted the above oath of offices at this time.

## 15. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Stephen Thompson once again called the meeting to order at 7:14pm

## 16. Roll Call

Amy C. Lewis, City Clerk, called roll and those present at roll were:

Alderman Guccione	Present
Alderman Holt	Present
Alderman Gnau	Present
Alderman Krekeler	Present

There were four (4) members present and zero (0) absent.

## 17. Citizen's Comments

Nothing further.

## 18. Board to Select an Acting President of the Board of Aldermen

Mayor Thompson asked for nominations for President of the Board of Aldermen.

Alderman Gnau nominated Alderman Michael Guccione as the President of the Board of Aldermen. The City Attorney requested the city clerk take a roll call vote:

Alderman Guccione	Yea
Alderman Krekeler	Nay
Alderman Gnau	Yea
Alderman Holt	Nay

Failed.

Alderman Holt nominated Alderman Mike Krekeler as the President of the Board of Aldermen. The City Clerk took a roll call vote:

Alderman Guccione	Nay
Alderman Krekeler	Yea
Alderman Gnau	Abstain
Alderman Holt	Yea

Nomination approved by affirmative votes of two (2) Aldermen. There was one (1) nay vote and one (1) abstention.

## **19. Mayor's Report**

Mayor Stephen Thompson welcomed his friends and stated that he, and his wife Kristina are very grateful for this opportunity. He further stated he has a new boss; you. He asked for the public's trust and stated he was so excited. In addition, he stated the work sessions would be moved out to the boardroom in the future instead of being held in the conference room.

Mayor Thompson congratulated newly elected Elizabeth Holt to the Board of Aldermen.

## **20. Board of Aldermen's Report**

Mayor Thompson asked the newly elected Board President, Mike Krekeler, as well as the other Board members to thank Mayor Bob Ronkoski for his years of service to the City of Cottleville and its residents. Alderman Johnny Gnau stated Mayor Bob has done a great job leading the City and thanked him. Alderman Guccione agreed and stated Mayor Bob has been a pillar of this community as well as a friend to many.

## **21. Resolutions**

- A. Resolution No. 25-04 – A Resolution of the Board of Alderman of the City of Cottleville, Missouri, to Oppose Congressional Efforts to End the Tax-exempt Status of Municipal Bonds.

The City Administrator gave a brief explanation of the above resolution.

Alderman Krekeler moved to approve Resolution 25-04. Alderman Guccione seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

## **22. Bills for Introduction**

- A. Bill No. 25-009 – An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville, Missouri, authorizing the Execution of a Grading Deposit Agreement by and between the City of Cottleville, Missouri, and Lombardo Homes of St. Louis, LLC for a certain project known as Village of Twin Creeks.

The City Administrator announced the escrow amount is \$35,781.00 per City code.

Alderman Gnau moved for the first reading of Bill No. 25-009. **An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville, Missouri, authorizing the Execution of a Grading Deposit Agreement by and between the City of Cottleville, Missouri, and Lombardo Homes of St. Louis, LLC for a certain project known as Village of Twin Creeks.** Alderman Krekeler seconded the motion.

- B. Bill No. 25-010 – An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville, Missouri, authorizing the Execution of a Grading Deposit Agreement by and between the City of Cottleville, Missouri, and Lombardo Homes of St. Louis, LLC for a certain project known as Townes at Crooked Creek.

The City Administrator announced the escrow amount is \$15,578 per City code.

Alderman Guccione moved for the first reading of Bill No. 25-010. **An Ordinance of the City of Cottleville, Missouri, authorizing the Execution of a Grading Deposit Agreement by and between the City of Cottleville, Missouri, and Lombardo Homes of St. Louis, LLC for a certain project known as Townes at Crooked Creek.** Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

**23. Closed Session (if necessary) regarding Confidential Communications, Litigation, Real Estate, and Personnel, pursuant to 610.021RSMo.**

At 7:32pm it was noted the Board of Aldermen meeting would take a short recess.

Motion was made by Alderman Gnau, seconded by Alderman Krekeler to go into closed session in the conference room at 7:55pm., pursuant to 610.021 RSMo Litigation. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. Amy Lewis, City Clerk called roll:

Alderman Guccione	Yea
Alderman Krekeler	Yea
Alderman Holt	Yea
Alderman Gnau	Yea

On motion of Alderman Guccione seconded by Alderman Holt, the Board voted to exit the closed session and return to the open meeting at 9:06 pm and move into the boardroom. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

**24. Comments Pertaining to Closed Session**

None.

**25. Adjournment of Meeting**

Alderman Guccione moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. 9:07 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy C. Lewis  
City Clerk, MRCC, CMC

Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor Stephen Thompson

**CITY OF COTTLEVILLE**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**APRIL 23, 2025**

The Board of Aldermen held their meeting at City Hall in the conference room located at 5490 5<sup>th</sup> Street Cottleville, Missouri.

Mayor Bob Ronkoski called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

Amy C. Lewis, City Clerk called roll and those present at roll were:

Alderman Guccione	Present
Alderman Krekeler	Present
Alderman Gnau	Present
Alderman Colombatto	Present

There were four (4) members present and zero (0) absent.

**Staff Reports**

A. City Administrator

During this time, Michael Padella, City Administrator, updated the Board of Aldermen on the agenda items including the consent agenda, PD grants, and grading escrows. It was noted the formula for such is set by City code, but staff will look into whether that should be amended at a future date by comparing what other cities are doing. In addition, Mr. Padella reviewed resolution 25-04 on tonight's agenda opposing changing the tax exempt status of municipal bonds which could negatively impact the marketability of municipal bonds and increase financing costs to local governments.

B. Police Chief

Dave McCune, Chief of Police stated the new officer Tim Albano will be sworn in tonight.

C. City Clerk/Treasurer

Amy Lewis, City Clerk - Treasurer provided a sales tax chart, bill list, certified election results, and minutes.

Alderman Guccione moved to amend the consent agenda by adding item D4: Change Order #1 Duke Construction, Inv. 1277 Amphitheater Stage Expansion Added Sidewalk \$2,850.00. Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were one nay votes and no abstentions.

Alderman Guccione moved to amend the minutes from the last work session by removing City Attorney Drew Weber as Attorney Brad Pryor was in attendance instead. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were one nay votes and no abstentions.

D. City Attorney

Drew Weber, City Attorney, was present for the meeting. Nothing further.

**Communications from the Alderman**

Nothing at this time.

**Communications of the Mayor**

Nothing further.

**Closed Session (if necessary) regarding Confidential Communications, Litigation, Real Estate and Personnel pursuant to 610.021RsMo.**

Motion was made by Alderman Guccione, seconded by Alderman Gnau to go into closed session at 6:25pm., pursuant to 610.021 RSMo Litigation. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. Amy Lewis, City Clerk called roll:

Alderman Guccione	Yea
Alderman Krekeler	Yea
Alderman Colombatto	Yea
Alderman Gnau	Yea

On motion of Alderman Gnau seconded by Alderman Guccione, the Board voted to exit the closed session and return to the open meeting at 6:45pm. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions.

**Adjournment**

Alderman Guccione moved to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Gnau seconded the motion. Motion was carried by affirmative votes of four (4) Aldermen. There were no nay votes and no abstentions. 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy C. Lewis  
City Clerk, MRCC, CMC  
Approval Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor Bob Ronkoski