



**BOARD OF ALDERMEN BUDGET
WORKSHOP
Meeting Minutes**

October 14, 2024

5:30 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 Tim Pogue at 5:30 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 Robert Jones

Absent

AGENDA

Personnel

Finance Officer Denise Keller spoke to the Board about the personnel and shared expenses portion of the budget, noting three percent raises were again budgeted for employees.

Police Department

Police Chief John Bergfeld noted the department is requesting five new vehicles. Alderman David Siegel noted he would like to see all white vehicles, suggesting the Board approve wrapping each current vehicle in white vinyl to match. The Board ultimately decided to approve purchasing five new white vehicles when they become available.

The Budget Workshop took a break for the regularly scheduled Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. The Budget Workshop resumed at 7:45 p.m.



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Parks & Recreation

Parks & Recreation Director Chris Conway noted the department is contracting out mowing this upcoming year. There’s also money in the budget for redoing some portions of the railing at the Pointe. He also noted at North Pointe there may be some expenses due to leakage that is currently being detected.

Alderman David Siegel left the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Public Works

Public Works Director Jim Link noted there is \$1.8 million budgeted for street repair in 2025. He also noted he will be seeking a fourth leaf vacuum for leaf collection season. Alderman Frank Fleming noted there are some signs he had noticed that do not have the City’s current branding. Public Works Director Link had noted the department is working on replacing all of the outdated ones.

Administration

City Finance Officer Denise Keller noted there are budgetary inclusions for street banners, a lobbyist at the state level and money for economic development/marketing.

Mayor Tim Pogue asked whether staff had considered a website redesign. Marketing and Communications Specialist/City Clerk Megan Freeman noted there are ADA provisions that will need to be implemented by April of 2027 and that the cost is most likely to be in the tens of thousands of dollars yearly and upfront.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

_____ TIM POGUE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

_____ MEGAN FREEMAN, CITY CLERK