

**Farmington City Council**  
**Meeting Minutes - March 18, 2024**  
Prepared by: Nancy Reed, City Clerk

The regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called at 6:00 p.m. on March 18, 2024 at the Farmington City Building, 322 E. Fort Street. Mayor Stufflebeam led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. The following Aldermen answered present to roll call: Ald. Gilles, Ald. Smith, Ald. Boggs; Ald. Fleming and Ald. Crusen. Atty. Connor was on Teams. Adm. Bohanan was also present. Ald. Boggs moved to approve Ald. Rose to use Teams remotely. Ald. Gilles second the motion carried with all ayes.

**MINUTES:**

Ald. Boggs moved to approve the regular minutes session of March 04, 2024. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion carried with all ayes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

A resignation letter was read by Mayor Stufflebeam from Officer Glover. Officer Glover's last day will be on March 25, 2024. He will hand in all police department owned equipment at the end of his shift. Officer Glover stated he has enjoyed his time and thanked the City of Farmington. He also thanked the police department for putting him through SWIC. Officer Glover feels his new position is in the best interest for his family and career growth. Mayor Stufflebeam said Officer Glover's resignation was accepted and wished him the very best.

**CEMETERY BOARD REPORT:**

Mr. Herb Stufflebeam reported on the Cemetery Board. The project for the cemetery pillars is moving forward. The old concrete work has been removed at the Vernon St. entrance. The gates were completed and will be moving forward with the plaques to recognize the 18 students and Kent Ulm for their work. The ceremony will be held on April 15, 2024. Mayor Stufflebeam thanked Herb Stufflebeam for his report on the Cemetery Board.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no Old Business at tonight's meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Mayor Stufflebeam commented on a quote from H&H Industries for \$3,650. This will be for an upgrade on fixtures and bulbs for the gym with use of a grant program. Ald. Boggs moved to approve H&H Industries for the amount of \$3,650 for light fixtures and bulbs for the gym. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; Ald. Crusen, yes; Ald. Gilles, yes; and Ald. Smith, yes.

Ald. Gilles moved to approve 22-23 MFT Resolution for \$47,726.41. Ald. Crusen seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Gilles, yes; Ald. Smith, yes; Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; and Ald. Crusen, yes.

Mayor Stufflebeam would like to appoint Chief of Police Chris Darsham as our Ethics Advisor. Ald. Smith moved to approve mayoral appointed Chief Chris Darsham as our City's Ethics Advisor. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Smith, yes; Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; Ald. Crusen, yes and Ald. Gilles, yes.

Discussion was held on the FOB entry system for the Municipal Building and Community Center. Mayor Stufflebeam said that this subject will be revisited on the next council meeting agenda.

Ald. Smith approved \$100. Sponsorship for the FOP Golf Outing. Ald. Boggs seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Smith, yes; Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; Ald. Crusen, yes; and Ald. Gilles; yes.

Mayor Stufflebeam would like to see the Public Works Department hire a new full time employee. Ald. Boggs moved to hire a new full time Public Works employee. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion with a roll call vote: Ald. Boggs, yes; Ald. Fleming, yes; Ald. Rose, yes; Ald. Crusen, yes; Ald. Gilles, yes; and Ald. Smith, yes.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Finance/Ordinance:** Ald. Crusen had nothing to report.

**Public Safety:** Ald. Boggs had nothing to report.

**Sewer:** Ald. Fleming had nothing to report.

**Streets/ Sidewalks/Garbage:** Ald. Gilles mentioned the new signs look great in front of the fire station. Yard waste was not picked up on the first designated date from Waste Management.

**Parks/Recreation:** Ald. Smith had nothing to report.

**Public Grounds/Buildings:** Ald. Rose had nothing to report.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Ms. Denise Siadek gave a personal statement on an incident that happened at the municipal office with the City Administrator. The conversation left her feeling devastated, deceived and that she doesn't matter. Mayor Stufflebeam said they are handling the matter internally and it is a personal matter that can not be discussed. Mayor Stufflebeam thanked Denise for coming tonight. Mr. Brad Boughton asked questions on the use of the Community Center. Mayor Stufflebeam commented that the Community Center is in its infancy and would appreciate suggestions to be sent by email. Adm. Bohanan is working on a calendar that will be posted online. Alison Watson had an idea of asking for a deposit for the key that would be used to open the Community Center instead of a FOB. Mayor Stufflebeam said that was a very good idea and thanked her for her suggestion. With no further question for discussion, Mayor Stufflebeam asked for a motion to adjourn. Ald. Boggs motioned to adjourn tonight's meeting. Ald. Gilles seconded the motion carried with all ayes. Adjournment time was 7:44 p.m.