

**St. Charles County Council Journal  
Closed Meeting – June 27, 2022**

The St. Charles County Council met on Monday, June 27, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Family Arena, 2002 Arena Parkway St. Charles, Missouri. Council Chair Schneider requested a motion to go into closed meeting. Councilman Elam made a motion to go to a closed meeting per State Statute RSMo 610.021 (1) and (2), seconded by Councilman Hammond. A roll call vote was taken to go into the closed meeting as follows:

Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond – yes, Councilman Hollander - yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – absent.

[The minutes of this closed meeting are currently a closed record pursuant to Section 610.021 (1) and (2) RSMo. The original minutes are in the legal file for this matter in the Counselor’s Office and will be added to the Council records after this becomes an open record.]

Councilman Hollander made a motion to return to an open meeting, seconded by Councilman Elam and unanimously approved.

The closed meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.

**St. Charles County Council Journal  
Regular Meeting – June 27, 2022**

The St. Charles County Council met on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. at the Family Arena, 2002 Arena Parkway, St. Charles, Missouri.

Council Chair Schneider introduced Steve Parks with Bible Baptist Church who provided the invocation and Councilman Hammond led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following roll call was taken by the clerk:

Councilman Joe Cronin	present
Councilman Joe Brazil	present
Councilman Mike Elam	present
Councilman Dave Hammond	present
Councilman Terry Hollander	present
Councilwoman Nancy Schneider	present
Councilman John White	present

County Executive Staff present:

Steve Ehlmann, County Executive  
Joann Leykam, Director of Administration  
Bob Schnur, Assistant Director of Administration  
John Greifzu, Assistant Director of Administration

County Counselor’s Office:

Rory O’Sullivan, Acting County Counselor

**IN THE MATTER OF** )  
**CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS** )  
**BILLS FOR FINAL PASSAGE** )

**Bill No. 5073** - Sponsored by Joe Cronin - AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CUP22-04(A) FOR AN OUTDOOR STORAGE LOT FOR AUTOMOBILES, BOATS, TRAILERS, AND RECREATIONAL VEHICLES TO LAKE ST. LOUIS BOAT & RV STORAGE LLC, PROPERTY OWNER(S), AND BEN MOLITER, APPLICANT

There being no discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote: Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond – yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes. Bill No. 5073 was approved by a vote of 7-0.

**Bill No. 5074** - Sponsored by Joe Cronin - AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CUP22-04(B) FOR AN OUTDOOR STORAGE AREA/YARD FOR CONTRACTOR’S HEAVY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT TO LAKE ST. LOUIS BOAT & RV STORAGE LLC, PROPERTY OWNER(S), AND BEN MOLITER, APPLICANT

There being no discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote: Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond – yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes. Bill No. 5074 was approved by a vote of 7-0.

**Bill No. 5075** - Sponsored by Joe Cronin - AN ORDINANCE GRANTING CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CUP22-04(C) FOR A LANDSCAPING CONTRACTING SERVICE TO LAKE ST. LOUIS BOAT & RV STORAGE LLC, PROPERTY OWNER(S), AND BEN MOLITER, APPLICANT

There being no discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote: Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond – yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes. Bill No. 5075 was approved by a vote of 7-0.

**IN THE MATTER OF** )  
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**PUBLIC COMMENTS** )

Council Chair Schneider opened the floor for Public Comments allowing speakers 3 minutes, with alternating pro and con views on each topic for a total of six speakers per topic.

Liam Robertson, O’Fallon resident, representing the St. Charles County Youth Advisory Board, spoke about “22 Strong”, an upcoming event raising money and awareness to combat veteran suicides.

Josh Becker, St. Peter's resident, stated the Council and administration are not focused on the true concerns of residents such as infrastructure. Becker stated our County residents hold mixed political views with the Democrats standing for labor unions, equal opportunity and racial equality.

Andrew Polacek, with Missouri Canvassers, stated a meeting to discuss County elections with Jay Ashcroft revealed Ashcroft was unaware of an investigation of poll pad glitches that Kurt Bahr, Director of Elections, stated he was pursuing. Polacek urged the Council to do something about election issues.

Judith Moorefield – St. Charles County resident, stated a Council with integrity would confront fact based concerns about election issues, protect votes, and restore citizen confidence in County elections.

Daniel White, with Missouri Canvassers, stated four County officials didn't vote in the last election and that only one Council member reached out to the election authority to discuss election issues. White suggested a task force of active voters to hear concerns and grievances about elections.

Councilman Hammond refuted Dan White's claims and stated he had spoken with Kurt Bahr about an audit.

Joanne Smith, St. Charles County resident, stated rezoning Greens Bottom Rd. would affect the quality of life for residents of the Bluffs subdivision. Smith shared concerns that rezoning would allow for too much activity, noise and traffic. Smith stated that many of the requested uses could be done on agricultural land with a conditional use permit.

Cliff Fairbanks, St. Charles County resident, lives on the bluffs and stated the rezoning would allow for noise, late night parties, and increased traffic. Fairbanks was concerned the rezoned property could be sold and have no restrictions for future use. Fairbanks asked the Council to stop dragging this out and vote now.

Carol Sanders, St. Charles resident, stated the current Council seems bothered to listen to residents when they should be representing those residents. Sanders stated St. Charles is a conservative county and Council member's silence on CRT, gender issues, pride, sex trafficking and violence surrounding abortion clinics implies agreement. Sanders stated her Christian rights are being stripped away and that pride is not a positive quality.

Mike Stokes, St. Charles County resident living in Heritage subdivision, requested Council pass Bill No. 5078 and address the continuing drainage and storm water runoff issues that erode his property. Stokes stated Heritage subdivision needs continuing help with funding to solve drainage issues.

Tara Rath, St. Charles County resident living in Heritage subdivision, thanked the Council and Councilman White for proposing Bill No. 5078 and questioned the state funding amount, asked if there was a plan where the funds will be spent and will residents be involved. Rath noted a home in her court was abandoned due to erosion issues and now sits with overgrown weeds. Rath thanked the Council for being an outlet where her request for help was heard.

Jen Olson – Wentzville resident, stated decorum in Council meetings needs to be two way, expressed concerns that she was being harassed and silenced on social media for coming before the Council to

have grievances redressed and change public policy. Olson stated a Sheriff is required to have training and is vital to secure a free state.

Arnie Dienoff, O’Fallon resident, shared concerns regarding a police investigation, the County’s bidding process, and current lawsuits against the County. Dienoff urged Council to accept local bids and stated he supports Bill No. 5079.

**IN THE MATTER OF )  
ORAL REPORT )  
FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE )**

The County Executive presented no report.

**IN THE MATTER OF )  
CONSENT AGENDA )**

Council Chair Schneider asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Hearing none, Councilman Cronin made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by Councilman Elam and unanimously approved. The approved items are as follows:

**Approval of Journal** of the previous meeting – 6-13-2022

**Approval of Bids**

Police - Portable Remote Trailer Mounted Camera Surveillance System/PASS Security/\$90,495.00

Highway - Truck Mounted Combination Sewer Cleaner/Coe Equipment, Inc./\$454,542.12

Facilities - Kitchen Hood Cleaning and Grease Interceptor Service/Grease Masters & St. Louis

Cleaning and Restoration/\$53,420.00

**Nominations and Appointments**

Employee Activity Board - Miranda Patzius - Sheriff/replacing Debra Jones

**Miscellaneous**

Highway - Change Order No. 1 - M & H Concrete Contractors, Inc./ARPA funds for roads/  
\$2,017,563.50

Parks & Recreation – Easement for residential driveway structure and utilities/Sanders

**IN THE MATTER OF BILLS )  
FOR FINAL PASSAGE )**

**Bill No. 5077** - Sponsored by Joe Cronin - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF COOPERATION AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS CITIES TO SUPPORT AN APPLICATION BY ST. CHARLES COUNTY TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT FOR QUALIFICATION AS AN “URBAN COUNTY” UNDER THE DEPARTMENT’S COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAMS

There being no discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote:  
Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond –  
yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes.  
Bill No. 5077 was approved by a vote of 7-0.

**Bill No. 5078** - Sponsored by John White - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING ST. CHARLES COUNTY MATCHING FUNDS AS REQUIRED BY THE STATE OF MISSOURI TO UTILIZE FUNDING FROM SCS HCS HB 3020, SECTION 20.881 THE CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY – WATER INFRASTRUCTURE FUND FOR ASSISTANCE WITH DRAINAGE AND EROSION ISSUES, AND SUBSIDENCE IN THE HERITAGE SUBDIVISION IN ST. CHARLES COUNTY AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS

Councilman Cronin thanked all involved in trying to find a solution for Heritage and stated this issue is important and he will look for ways to fund continuing work.

Councilman Brazil thanked Bob Onder, Tim Baker and representative Christofanelli for initiating movement on this funding. Brazil noted over building has caused this issue and the main function of government is to provide infrastructure.

There being no further discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote:  
Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond –  
yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes.  
Bill No. 5078 was approved by a vote of 7 – 0.

**Bill No. 5079** - Sponsored by Council as a Whole - AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF FRANCIS HOWELL, ORCHARD FARM, FORT ZUMWALT, WASHINGTON AND WENTZVILLE TO PLACE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS IN THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY DURING THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

Councilman Brazil thanked County Executive Ehlmann for getting this implemented for the students and stated it was important to fund for future years.

Executive Ehlmann noted that cities within the County with ARPA funds available may be able to use those funds for resource officers in their schools. Ehlmann stated he felt it was important to find funding for this past the 2022-2023 school year.

There being no further discussion, Council Chair Schneider requested the following roll call vote:  
Councilman Cronin – yes, Councilman Brazil – yes, Councilman Elam – yes, Councilman Hammond –  
yes, Councilman Hollander – yes, Councilwoman Schneider – yes, Councilman White – yes.  
Bill No. 5079 was approved by a vote of 7 – 0.

**IN THE MATTER OF** )  
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**BILLS FOR INRODUCTION** )

**Bill No. 5080** - Sponsored by Nancy Schneider - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET OF THE ORDINANCES OF ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MISSOURI (“OSCCMO”), APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 21-096 FOR THE ST. CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS, BY REMOVING ONE INFORMATION SYSTEMS COORDINATOR POSITION AND ADDING ONE INFORMATION SYSTEMS FINANCIAL SPECIALIST POSITION

**Bill No. 5081** - Sponsored by Nancy Schneider - AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR A RECLASSIFICATION OF A SYSTEM TECHNICIAN I POSITION TO A SYSTEM TECHNICIAN II POSITION WITHIN THE ST. CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS

**Bill No. 5082** - Sponsored by Nancy Schneider - AN ORDINANCE WAIVING LIQUOR LICENSE FEES FOR CERTAIN CONCESSIONS OPERATIONS OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF ST. CHARLES FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2022, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023

**IN THE MATTER OF** )  
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**TABLED BILLS** )

There were no bills removed from the table.

Discussion was held concerning creating a mailing list to notify concerned residents on any upcoming action on Bill No. 5076.

**IN THE MATTER OF** )  
**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND** )  
**MISCELLANEOUS** )

Councilman Brazil clarified that election integrity was making sure we move forward in a positive fashion. Brazil confirmed after a meeting with Jay Ashcroft that an audit can no longer be ordered by the Council or the Secretary of State due to time constraints. Brazil encouraged a resolution for an elections audit to confirm our elections are sound and called for vigilance at the upcoming election.

Councilman Elam welcomed all to the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade in O’Fallon.

Councilman Elam made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Cronin and unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Examined and Approved

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Nancy Schneider, Council Chair  
St. Charles County, Missouri

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