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The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council conducted a regular meeting on Thursday, December 21, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room of the Jefferson County Administration Center, located at 729 Maple Street, Hillsboro, Missouri.

I. CALL TO ORDER

County Executive Dennis Gannon called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

Council Member Dan Stallman gave the Invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

County Executive Dennis Gannon honored Veterans and active military by asking them to stand and be recognized for their service.

IV. ROLL CALL

County Executive Dennis Gannon	Present
District 1- Brian Haskins:	Present
District 2 - Gene Barbagallo	Present
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Charles Groeteke:	Present
District 5 - Scott Seek:	Present
District 6 - Dan Stallman:	Present
District 7 – Bob Tullock:	Present

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The following people spoke in opposition to Resolution R23-1208, a resolution to oppose the importation of illegal immigrants in Jefferson County, Missouri:

- Mr. Ben Hagan, 3742 Sierra Drive, Barnhart
- Ms. Angela Dolores Sanchez, 9418 Radio Drive, St. Louis
- Ms. Maria Yaksic, 4606 Fieldbrook Terrace, St. Louis
- Mr. Antonio Maldonado, 15 Alpha Drive, Florissant

The following people spoke in favor of Resolution R23-1208:

- Mr. Joseph Stewart, 4458 Cindy Lane, Barnhart
- Mr. Tony Schlet, 4425 Cindy Lane, Barnhart
- Mr. Oscar Harrell, 1015 Utility Drive, Arnold

The following people spoke in opposition to Bill Number 23-1248, an ordinance ordering an election to be held on April 2, 2024, upon the question of disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village and for the notice of the election to be published:

- Mr. Jesse Reed, 2828 All Gods Children Drive, High Ridge, for Bill Number 23-1248, an ordinance ordering an election to be held on April 2, 2024, upon the question of disincorporation of the Village of Peaceful Village and for the notice of the election to be published.
- Mr. Tyson Fagala, 5912 Antire Road, High Ridge
- Ms. Kelly Fagala, 5912 Antire Road, High Ridge
- Mr. John Burks II, 4035 Canebrake Valley Drive, Dittmer
- Mr. Dan Ross, 5919 Antire Road, High Ridge
- Mr. Matt Fagala, 5912 Antire Road, High Ridge

The following person spoke in favor of Bill Number 23-1248:

- Mr. Jon Jerome, 5924 Antire, High Ridge.

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- Mr. Bruce Williams, 3683 South Lakeshore, Byrnes Mill, spoke in favor of Real Property Tax credit to eligible taxpayers of Jefferson County, Missouri and applauded the Council for not rushing to implement it yet due to the uncertainty of details regarding it.

VI. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Council Member Charles Groeteke made a motion to approve the Agenda as a whole, seconded by Council Member Dan Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo:	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

VII. APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

A. Approval of the December 11, 2023 – Regular Meeting

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to approve the Journal for the December 11, 2023, Regular Meeting by the Council as presented, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo:	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARING

None

IX. REPORTS FROM COUNTY EXECUTIVE

None

X. RECONSIDERATION OF BILLS

None

XI. CONSIDERATION OF VETOED BILLS

None

XII. CONSENT AGENDA

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Council Member Groeteke made a motion to introduce and approve the Bills on the Consent Agenda in its entirety by the Council as a whole, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

XIII. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

XIV. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. R23-1207 - A Resolution And An Order Of The Jefferson County, Missouri Council Amending The Rules Of Procedure Governing Meetings Conducted By The Jefferson County, Missouri, County Council.

Council Member Tullock made a motion to read Resolution No. R23-1207 on its first and only reading by title, seconded by Council Member Groeteke. Council Member Scott Seek read the Resolution.

Council Member Tullock made a motion to adopt Resolution No. R23-1207 on its first and final reading, seconded by Council Member Groeteke.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Resolution No. R23-1208 - Resolution And Order Of The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council To Oppose The Importation Of Illegal Immigrants In Jefferson County, Missouri

Council Member Tullock made a motion to read Resolution No. R23-1208 on its first and only reading by title, seconded by Council Member Groeteke, Council Member Seek read the Resolution.

Council Member Tullock made a motion to adopt Resolution No. R23-1208 on its first and final reading, seconded by Council Member Groeteke. Comments were made regarding the Resolution by Council Members Seek, Groeteke, Haskins, and Tullock.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	No
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes

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District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	No
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Resolution No. R23-1209 - A Resolution And An Order Of The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council To Consent To The Nomination And Reappointments Of Jake Eilermann And Jeff Todt To The Windswept Farms Community Improvement District, Jefferson County, Missouri And Terms Thereof.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to read Resolution No. R23-1209 on its first and only reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Resolution.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to adopt Resolution No. R23-1209 on its first and final reading, seconded by Council Member Groeteke.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Resolution No. R23-1210 - A Resolution And An Order Of The Jefferson County, Missouri, Council To Consent To The Nomination And Reappointments Of Jeff Todt And Jake Eilermann To The Valley At Winding Bluffs Community Improvement District, Jefferson County, Missouri And Terms Thereof.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to read Resolution No. R23-1210 on its first and only reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Resolution.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to adopt Resolution No. R23-1210 on its first and final reading, seconded by Council Member Barbagallo.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

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XV. INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 23-1248 - An Ordinance Ordering An Election To Be Held On Tuesday, April 2, 2024, Upon The Question Of Disincorporation Of The Village Of Peaceful Village And For The Notice Of The Election To Be Published In Accordance With 80.570 RSMo.

Council Member Tullock made a motion to introduce Bill No. 23-1248 by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Tullock read the Bill by Title.

Council Member Tullock made a motion to approve Bill No. 23-1248 and move it to Perfection, seconded by Council Member Barbagallo. Counselor Kuenzel commented to the Council that the Bill is an administrative act for the Council and that we are mandated per Missouri statute to put this question on the ballot.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Abstain
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Abstain
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Abstain
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion failed.

XVI. PERFECTION OF BILLS

Bill No. 23-1225 - An Ordinance Amending The Jefferson County, Missouri, Code Of Ordinances, Title III, Chapter 305, Sections 305.010 And 305.040, As Well As Schedule III Of The Traffic Code, And Providing For An Effective Date Thereof, Affecting Council Districts 1 And 4.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1225 on its second reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to approve Bill No. 23-1225, and move it to Final Passage, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Bill No. 23-1226 - An Ordinance Approving Application PI23050 A Rezoning From Single Family Residential (R40) To Planned Industrial (PI) And Revised Development Plan For New Frontier Materials Located In Council District 4.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1226 on its second reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

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Council Member Groeteke made a motion to perfect Bill No. 23-1226 and move it to Final Passage, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Bill No. 23-1227 - An Ordinance Granting A Real Property Tax Credit To Eligible Taxpayers Of Jefferson County, Missouri, Under The Authority Provided For In Section 137.1050, RSMo.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1227 on its second reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to approve Bill No. 23-1227 and move it to Final Passage, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Several comments were made by the Councilmembers regarding this Bill and the lack of clarity on Senate Bill 190. All Councilmembers who spoke said they are in favor of giving tax relief to Senior Citizens.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	No
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	No
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	No
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion failed.

Bill No. 23-1228 - An Ordinance Authorizing And Approving The Assessor's Assessment Maintenance Plan For The Years 2024 And 2025 As Submitted By The Assessor Of Jefferson County, Missouri, And As Required By The Revised Statutes Of Missouri.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1228 on its second reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to approve Bill No. 23-1228 and move it to Final Passage, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

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Motion carried.

XVII. FINAL PASSAGE OF BILLS

Bill No. 23-1135, A1 - An Ordinance Approving The Budget For Fiscal Year 2024 And For The Appropriation Of Funds Therein, Transferring Unencumbered Fund Balances And Providing For A “COLA” As Set Forth Herein.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1135 A1 on its third reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Haskins made a motion to perfect Bill No. 23-1135 A1 to approve and finally pass, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Bill No. 23-1225 - An Ordinance Amending The Jefferson County, Missouri, Code Of Ordinances, Title III, Chapter 305, Sections 305.010 And 305.040, As Well As Schedule III Of The Traffic Code, And Providing For An Effective Date Thereof, Affecting Council Districts 1 And 4.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1225 on its third reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to perfect Bill No. 23-1225 to approve and finally pass, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Bill No. 23-1226 - An Ordinance Approving Application PI23050 A Rezoning From Single Family Residential (R40) To Planned Industrial (PI) And Revised Development Plan For New Frontier Materials Located In Council District 4.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1226 on its third reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

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Council Member Groeteke made a motion to perfect Bill No. 23-1226 to approve and finally pass, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Bill No. 23-1228 - An Ordinance Authorizing And Approving The Assessor's Assessment Maintenance Plan For The Years 2024 And 2025 As Submitted By The Assessor Of Jefferson County, Missouri, And As Required By The Revised Statutes Of Missouri.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to place Bill No. 23-1228 on its third reading by title, seconded by Council Member Stallman. Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to perfect Bill No. 23-1228 to approve and finally pass, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

XVIII. OTHER MATTERS

A. County Council Member Motions Regarding Future Agendas – Other Matters.

None

XIX. CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session Pursuant To Section 610.021 Subdivision (1) Of The Revised Statutes Of The State Of Missouri For The Purpose Of Discussing Legal Actions, Causes Of Action, Or Litigation Involving The County And Any Confidential Or Privileged Communications Between The County And Its Representatives And Attorneys.

B. Closed Session Pursuant To Section 610.021 Subdivision (2) Of The Revised Statutes Of The State Of Missouri For The Purpose Of Discussing Leasing, Purchasing, Or Sale Of Real Estate By The County Where Public Knowledge Of The Transaction Might Adversely Affect The Legal Consideration Therefor.

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Council Member Groeteke made a motion to enter Closed Session Pursuant To Section 610.021 Subdivision (1) Of The Revised Statutes Of The State Of Missouri For The Purpose Of Discussing Legal Actions, Causes Of Action, Or Litigation Involving The County And Any Confidential Or Privileged Communications Between The County And Its Representatives And Attorneys and (2) Of The Revised Statutes Of The State Of Missouri For The Purpose Of Discussing Leasing, Purchasing, Or Sale Of Real Estate By The County Where Public Knowledge Of The Transaction Might Adversely Affect The Legal Consideration, seconded by Council Member Stallman.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Yes
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

The meeting entered Closed Session in the Assembly Room at 7:57 p.m. and reconvened at 8:38 p.m.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to go back into Open Session, seconded by Council Member Tullock.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Absent
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to reconsider Bill 23- 1248, seconded by Council Member Tullock.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Absent
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	No
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to introduce Bill 23-1248 by title, seconded by Council Member Tullock, Council Member Seek read the Bill by title.

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Council Member Groeteke made a motion to approve Bill No. 23-1248 and move it to Perfection, seconded by Council Member Tullock.

Roll Call Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Absent
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Abstain
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried.

XX. REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

District 1 – Council Member Haskins:

Absent

District 2 – Council Member Barbagallo:

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

District 3 – Vacant

District 4 – Council Member Groeteke:

- Gave a brief overview of what the County Council accomplished this year.
- Shop Kimmswick and have a Merry Christmas

District 5 – Council Member Seek:

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

District 6 – Council Member Stallman:

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas and to not forget the reason for the season.

District 7 – Council Member Tullock:

- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Mentioned someone destroyed the Christmas decorations at the House Springs Pond Society, and within a couple of days the decorations had been replaced by donations made from the public.

XXI. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Groeteke made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Tullock.

Vote:

District 1 - Council Member Haskins:	Absent
District 2 - Council Member Barbagallo	Yes
District 3 -	Vacant
District 4 - Council Member Groeteke:	Yes
District 5 - Council Member Seek:	Yes
District 6 - Council Member Stallman:	Yes
District 7 - Council Member Tullock:	Yes

Motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.