

Council Meeting 03/20/2023

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

Meeting: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Mayor John Ryan

Council present: Shreve, Moore, Sitz, Seals, Lister

Atty Vignery: Present

Employees: Bretsnyder, S. Seals, A. Shreve

Visitors: per registry

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Mayor John Ryan.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes for the council meeting on 03/06/2023 were read for council approval.

🗳️ Motion by Seals, 2nd by Moore to accept minutes as read, motion carried. Sitz & Shreve abstained.

Parent Request for Donation for 3rd graders:

Bobbi Hartford came to the council to request a donation for the third grade class at Overbrook Attendance Center. She stated it is the 3rd grade students first year taking standardized testing and they are nervous. She is trying to gather donations for snacks to help motivate them for testing. There are 4 days of testing and about 80 students.

Motion by Lister to donate \$100.00 to the 3rd grade class to be sent to Overbrook Attendance Center, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried. Sitz abstained.

Leia Johnston/water leak

Leia came to the council to request for a payment arrangement to pay her water bill due to a leak. They requested to pay \$100 a week until it is paid off.

Motion to allow Leia Johnston pay \$100 a week until her bill is paid off and current bill by Shreve, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

Leia was advised if they can not make the payment to make sure to contact the office or speak with the council.

Library

Heather updated the council on the current number of visitors compare to last year. She stated that she currently had 18 people doing a craft at the library.

She informed the council that for the month of April there will be a museum exhibit for WW1 borrowed from the Smokey Valley Hills Museum. She stated that some of the community members will be presenting on Thursdays.

Annexation:

Tonya presented some information to the council about the annexation.

She spoke on the possibility of some not wanting to be annexed and how the process for those would go a different direction but all the others would continue on the main course.

She stated that she needs the information on the changes of tax rates for each property and that she is needing some information from zoning.

She stated that she is still waiting on the property information from one of the locations. But that she feels that we are in a good place.

Police Department

Shannon advised that she did not have any luck with the interviews and the last group of candidates and none of them showed for interviews.

She stated that she was interested in a part time officer and a full time officer and is working on recruiting and plans for these possibilities.

She spoke with Don Bailey regarding the camera system and was advised we could not get a filter for the camera but he did change some settings and will check to see if they help.

The Chief spoke to the council on some of the results from the Datapilot that the council approved last year and how they were able to get some data off a locked phone that KBI was not able to. It was stated that it had been beneficial having it.

Maintenance

Dustin was present for maintenance.

Sewer Lift Station:

Dustin informed the council that the lift station on 4th St. had gone down and backed up into a couple resident's homes. He updated the council on the status and that they were waiting on a bid for replacement through Alliance Pump. He should have a bid before the next council meeting.

The city clerk advised the council that the insurance company had been informed and had sent an adjuster out to speak with the residents and to look at the lift station.

Stephanie Mohler spoke to the council on the back up as she was one of the residents, she told the council she really appreciated us having the insurance company reach out to her.

Dustin presented the council with the list of streets he would like to have micro sealed. There was discussion on the streets and if some of the streets are carryovers due to not completing them last year, only Commercial & Coal are left from previous year. Council would like to get

bids for road work and would like to open them on April 17 at the council meeting. Bids will be due at noon on April 17.

Ridgeway Township:

Sitz asked the council about the decision on the storage of tires and large trash for Ridgeway township. There was discussion on it being brought to next council meeting. There was mention of making decision at current meeting as there are members who are against storing the items. Motion to deny access to the lagoon by water plant for dumping of tires and large items by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

It was stated that it just is not feasible for the city.

There was discussion on moving the fish feeder. It was placed on hold until someone is hired as the fish feeder for the coming year. There was discussion that maybe it should not be moved, will be placed on agenda at later date.

Training for Court clerk regarding police records. There was discussion on the handling of police records. Motion by Shreve, 2nd by Lister to allow Ashley Madden to take the online training for \$259, Attorney Vignery recommended that the training fee be paid out of the diversion funds, motion carried. Seals Abstained.

There was discussion on the options for email services. Mayor Ryan advised the council that he stopped at the Computer store and spoke with someone. Kevin stated that the firewalls are outdated and may need to be updated soon as well. Kevin will be speaking with The Computer Store and update the council.

Insurance renewal

The council was presented with the insurance information for the renewal and the price. There was discussion on the suggestions for possible changes. Maria came and explained some of the changes, there was discussion on cyber security and coverage that we could have.

The information for the Dam to have it added to the coverage needs to be sent to the insurance company by July.

Motion to accept the proposal for \$98,945 with out any adjustments currently by Lister, Second by Seals, motion carried.

There was discussion by attorney and insurance company that the rec commission will need to cover worker's compensation for pool and ball employees if their payroll is over \$20,000.

Clerk will need to send the ordinance information regarding the rec commission to the Attorney for review.

Motion to allow all extensions for utility bills by Seals, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

Motion to approve all paid bills by Seals, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 9:25pm by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.