

Council Meeting 12/06/2021

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

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

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

Atty DeVoe absent

Employees: Bretsnyder, Seals, A Shreve

Visitors: Kelli Moore, Gary Rush (OCHC), Holly Hinck, Jim Shively, Pat Cox, Crystal Busby, Jennifer Brann, Heather Garrison, Ross Mayfield

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 11/15/2021 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Shreve, 2nd by Lister to approve the minutes as corrected, motion carried.

The minutes for the Special council meeting on 11/22//21 were read for council approval

☞ Motion by Seals, 2nd by Moore to approve the minutes as read, motion carried.

Old Business

Cost Share Program- Pat Cox was present about the Cost Share program, he suggested getting started quickly with an engineering survey as this is the best time to do it. Motion to allow City Clerk and Mayor to sign engineer contract for cost share project with BG Consultants by Shreve, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

Holly Hinck/Skate Park- Holly is concerned about being stuck with whole park, council advised that she would only be doing skate park. Mayor advised that she should get a committee together of community members and come back and ask the council to appoint a council member to that board. Council advised that there needs to be more input from the community about the need for a skate park.

She stated that she thinks that she might just need to look for other land for the skate park.

Crystal Busby water bill- Crystal came in concerned about the total of her water bill. There was discussion on the line and the meter. Motion to adjust the bill to have her water & sewer total \$130.56, trash \$13.75, and WPL \$.60 with the total bill being \$165.00 and if the bill is high next month, it will be the resident's responsibility to cover it by Sitz, 2nd by Lister motion carried.

Mack Pagel water bill-Jennifer Brann was present for Mack Pagel. She informed the council that they were aware of the leak and that they were working on getting the leak fixed. She stated that they were shutting the water off and on at the meter. Council informed her that only a licensed plumber or maintenance worker should be in the meter pit and that there could be up to a \$250 fee if something gets broken. Motion to adjust bill to \$413.87 for water, \$121.87 for sewer, \$13.75 for trash, and 3.14 for WPL and to split into three monthly payments of \$184.21

being owed this month and 184.21 plus monthly bill for following two months by Sitz, second by Shreve motion carried.

Jim Shively was present to request a change to the policy on kayaking/pleasure boating on the lake. He thought it would bring in people and revenue for the city. There was discussion from the council about the pros and cons of pleasure boating on the lake. Will be tabled until the first of the year when we can reach out to fish & game and get more information.

Jim also asked about moving the fish feeder as it is right in the middle of some of the bridal pictures. Dustin stated that Tyler will need to be reached to ask about moving the feeder.

Park Complaint- there was discussion on putting signs up at the park for helping keep the park clean. Suggestions from the community were “adopt a park” and community service through the school events. Information was brought up about the ground cover and using tire rubber mulch or wood mulch and the use of a tire waste grant.

Library

Heather Garrison reported that there were 651 visitors in the month of November with 25 New cards.

Christmas in Carbondale was a packed event in the library having only standing room.

The council asked about the sign and timeframe for it, Heather stated they are hoping to have it up by the first of the year and the first post to be Happy New Year 2022.

Police

Chief Seals reported for the PD.

Chief Seals reported that there are no unusual spikes this month and that all officers are on point.

Maintenance

Internet Issues- There was discussion on the reason that internet could not be put in at the water plant. Mayor and Dustin will look into it and see what can be done.

Dustin informed the council that his class went well and it was very informative. He will look for the class information for the council.

The Mayor informed the council that Dustin will be ordering the new brackets for the street signs as they have been having trouble getting the old ones down.

Chad asked about the street closure for Christmas in Carbondale, and if there should be a work order for street closures. Dustin stated there should be a work order for street closures.

New Website- Information was brought to the council about a new website and the office staff maintaining the website by Councilman Seals. With the website there is an opportunity for quicker posting and it would bring it in house. The council would like Councilman Seals to gather more information and bring it back.

Other Departments

The League of Kansas Municipalities Membership- Mayor and council discussed that there is a lot of good information and training from the league. Motion to renew membership for 2022 for \$905 with invoice number 22-194 by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve motion carried.

City Hall Signs-

The council was provided estimates from three companies for signs for City Hall. There was discussion on the images provided and the council requested to have the companies to resend estimates to match images and sizes of Fast Signs images. Will table until estimates come in.

CMB License for Casey's- Motion to approve CMB License for Casey's for 2022 by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, Motion carried.

Letter for transportation grant for Osage County General Public Transportation: Motion to allow City clerk to write a letter in support of transportation program by Lister, 2nd by Sitz, motion carried.

Shreve updated council about the IWORQs program and advised that it will not work with Jayhawk, he was asked the cost and advised that he will get the information together.

Employee Christmas Bonus- Motion to give full time and part time employees \$100 gift cards by Sitz, 2nd by Moore, motion carried, Seals and Shreve abstained.

There was discussion on court clerk's desk, and suggestion to wait until office is completed. Mayor suggested going to Kansas/Federal Surplus to see what they have. This is tabled until later meeting.

There were questions on some of the bills paid and the family insurance plan paid by the city. Council requested for clerk to look in the handbook to see what it states.

Motion by Shreve to go into executive session for 15 minutes for nonelected personnel to discuss the police candidate and attorney with Chief Seals at 9:28pm second by Sitz, motion carried.

Request at 9:43 for 5-minute extension.

At 9:48pm Mayor Ryan call meeting back in session.

Sitz announced they were in executive session for 20 minutes with no decisions made.

Motion to offer Falicity Garner the full time Police officer position starting January 3, 2022 by Shreve, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

Motion to allow Mayor Ryan to offer Tonya Vignery the Attorney position pending salary negotiations starting January 3, 2022 by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, Motion carried.

Motion to pay all approve bills by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 9:53pm by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, Motion carried.