

Council Meeting 08/20/18

Minutes taken by Paula Tryon, City Clerk

Meeting: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Mayor Fulton

Council present: Fulton, Ryan, Hinck, & Sitz

Council Absent: Shreve & Lister

Employees: Bretsnyder, Smith, Reynolds, Tryon & Atty DeVoe

Visitors: Kandy Hinck, Kevin Seals, Julie Nelson (OCHC) & Jim & Michelle Shively and Steve Loschke.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Fulton at 7:00pm.

Reading of Minutes

◆ Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Ryan to approve the minutes for 8/6/18 meeting as read. Motion carried.

Shively easements

After inspection of the easement for electric utility line and the easement for ingress and egress,

◆ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Ryan to approve the easements as written. Hinck opposed. Motion carried.

Hinck asked for legal fees to be charged to the Shivelys. Council members responded that that was not part of the agreement.

Police Dept.

Chief Smith was in attendance.

A new **Police Uniform Policy** was presented to the council.

Full Time Officers:

One pair of boots, three summer polo shirts, two uniform short sleeve shirts, two uniform long sleeve shirts, two pairs of uniform pants, one pair of class A pants, one pair of pat-down gloves, one winter coat & one ball cap.

Part Time Officers:

One summer polo shirt, one short sleeve uniform shirt, one long sleeve uniform shirt, one pair uniform pants, one pair Class A pants, one pair of pat-down gloves, one winter coat & one ball cap.

◆ Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Sitz to approve the policy as presented. Motion carried.

No **National Night Out** event this year, they will be participating with the Fall Festival on Sept 8th

Handicap parking was discussed again for the swim pool/ ball park parking lots. City is required to have handicap parking. Locations were discussed. This needs to be done before the next season. Council members will go look at the area for placement ideas.

Maintenance Dept.

Dustin Bretsnyder was in attendance.

The grant funds for the sewer project are no longer available, we had to spend all loan proceeds to be able to use them and the date was 8/16/18. We do have \$426,537.37 still available to use.

Aerators can be purchased with a PO, he would like to get air-powered aerators. Dustin is

trying to find someone that has these. He will also check with Jeff Lamfers, he would like to see the system work.

A bid from Ebert Construction for the Rip rap, seeding, clearing & grubbing and dirt around east lagoons #4-#6 was presented to the council for \$100,479.11.

◆ Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Sitz to accept the bid for \$100,479.11. Motion carried.

The fire hydrant at Center & Topeka will need repaired. Fire hydrant at 1st & Ridgeway has been installed, Dustin will need rebuild kits. He hopes to get the Boy Scouts to paint the hydrants after they are all fixed. All hydrants will be tagged and a new map will be created for the City and Fire Department.

Water meters are currently being read.

Auto dial service Tryon asked about checking on an auto dial service for notifications to the community when emergencies arise. Council suggested that this be researched and then council updated.

Ordinance on easements at Strowbridge Reservoir (City Lake) This will be ready for the next meeting, Atty DeVoe will send out to the council to be studied.

Water/Sewer rates:

Discussion on Sewer rates to be raised to cover the expense for the sewer project payments that will be \$77,270.00 more that we are currently paying.

The payments will be \$142,270.00 per year for the amount we currently owe.

◆ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Hinck to raise the base charge for sewer to \$33.08 per month, an increase of \$14.18 per month effective the Sept billing cycle. Motion carried.

Update on house fire properties:

Loschke @ 324 Melody Lane, the rest of the foundation will be torn out next weekend, he intends to rebuild. He has received a check made out to the City and himself.

◆ Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Ryan to allow the Mayor to sign it over when the foundation has been cleared out. Motion carried.

Johnson @ 523 S First, a restoration company is currently working on the house to repair it so the people can move back in.

Edgar 616 S First, the house can be restored, the windows are boarded up. Hinck thinks the owner is trying to sell the property. Council requested that a letter be sent to the owner to keep them informed.

The **easements for utility line and ingress/egress** at the City Lake were signed by Mayor Fulton, City Clerk Tryon, and Jim and Michelle Shively and were notarized by Kim Reynolds, City Treas. The City will have the easements recorded.

◆ Motion by Ryan, 2nd by Sitz to recess from the council meeting at 8:03 for 10 min and enter into an executive session for personnel matters of non-elected personnel for specific personnel matters. Motion carried.

At 8:13 Mayor Fulton declared the executive session out.

Council president Ryan stated that they were in executive session for 10 min with no decisions made.

◆ Motion by Ryan, 2nd by Hinck to move Dustin Bretsnyder from Maint II to Maint I position immediately at a hourly wage of \$16.83. Brad Haugh will move from Maint I to Maint II position with no change in salary, effective immediately. Motion carried.
Mayor Fulton requested better communication within the department.

Motion to approve extension requests

◆ Motion by Ryan, 2nd by Hinck to approve all extension requests. Motion carried.

Motion for paying approved bills

◆ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Hinck to pay all approved bills. Motion carried.

Motion to Adjourn

◆ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Hinck to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm. Motion carried.