

Council Meeting 09/04/2018

Minutes taken by Paula Tryon, City Clerk

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

Council present: Fulton, Ryan, Shreve, Hinck, Sitz & Lister

Absent: Atty DeVoe

Employees: Smith, Reynolds, Haugh, Tryon

Visitors: Kandy Hinck, Kevin Seals, Julie Nelson (OCHC), Larry Volland, Bud Garcia, Gina Reynolds, Brandon & Traci Smith and Jerry Clements

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

Reading of Minutes

Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Ryan to approve the minutes for 8/20/18 meeting as read. Motion carried.

Jerry Clements requested that Fourth St. in front of the UCC church be closed on 9/16/18 from 2pm-7pm for the annual **Ice Cream Social**.

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Hinck to approve the request. Motion carried. Maintenance will set-out barriers for the members to close the street at the appointed time.

Bud Garcia property at 233 Main St -he has been cleaning up the property but needs to find a location for the items in the building. He will be taking out the fence and trees, but it will probably be Spring before the building is torn down.

A Citizen complaint was given to the council, no action taken at this time.

Brandon & Traci Smith water bill- the check valve was failing in the thermal expansion tank in his house, causing pressure to build up and water to flow back through the meter but the meter goes not measure the outflow causing the meter to read the water multiple times.

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve to lower the water and sewer bills by half and leaving trash and tax as is making the bill \$134.34. Motion carried.

Extension Request from Katie Schooler

Request to pay ½ of the bill (193.30) by the 10th of Sept and balance and Oct bill by Oct 10th.

Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Sitz to approve the extension. Motion carried.

Library

An email and Architectural Scope of Services from TreanorHL was reviewed by the council.

Request that Paula contact Chris Cunningham and Garrett Nordstrom to see if they could attend a special meeting either 9/13 or 9/20.

The Library had two celebrations Cupcake Day and a Pizza Party Day.

Gina and Alice will attend a training in Springfield, Il. later this month.

They are looking for someone to fill a position on the Library board.

Library Building. Shreve stated that the council needs more options to consider. Ryan felt that the council needs to speak with the architect and grant writer. Kandy Hinck encouraged the council to move forward so the Library building can move forward. She stated that the citizens need to see the grant submitted and awarded so they will give more. Library is looking to the

future. The grant application is due by 11/1/18. Paula will contact Chris and Garrett for a Special meeting on 9/13 or 9/20.

Police Dept.

Chief Smith reported. The new radar units have been installed in the vehicles.

There will be no National Night Out event this year Smith requested that he be allowed to use the funds for Halloween and the fall/winter holidays.

Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Shreve to allow up to \$1,500.00 for Halloween and the fall/winter holidays. Motion carried.

Maint Dept.

Brad Haugh was in attendance.

A water main was broken last week at Commercial and Center while the intersection was being repaired.

The water plant is running well.

The fish food order was picked up today.

They will get the barricades to the UCC church for the 9/16/18 event planned.

Other Departments

2017 audit report

Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Shreve to have **Harold Mayes** come to the council meeting on 9/17/18 to discuss the audit. Motion carried.

Request for Kim to attend **State Set-off training** in Emporia on 10/5/18.

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve to approve the request. Motion carried

Robert Griffin submitted repair bills to repair his axle that was damaged while pulling out of the lake from feeding the fish at East Lake.

Motion by Hinck, 2nd by Shreve to pay for the tow bill and axle that was damaged, due to low water levels at the boat ramp. \$423.82 is the total bill. Motion carried.

Larry Volland complaint about water running onto his property from the neighbor's land, and poison ivy growing on the property to the west of his house. Larry Hinck will check on the poison ivy as he owns that property. Dustin will be up to talk to Mr Volland when he gets back from vacation.

Emergency Notification/Alert System

Bryce Romine was contacted; the City is already included in their system through Homeland Security. City already has 61 people set up for notices. Kim & Paula will get training to send out notices and get sign-up sheets for the citizens.

Follow up on **Sewer rate change**. Need to know what business rates are desired, to raise by 75% like residential rate or raise the dollar amount that residential rate was raised (\$14.18).

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Hinck to raise the business rates 75% like the residential rate up to \$42.26. Motion carried.

Motion to pay approved bills

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

Motion to adjourn

Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to adjourn @ 8:16pm. Motion carried.