

Council Meeting 06/15/2020

Minutes taken by Paula Tryon, City Clerk

Meeting: Time: 7:00 pm Presiding officer: Council Pres John Ryan

Council present: Ryan, Sitz & Lister

Council Absent: Mayor Fulton & Shreve

Atty DeVoe present

Employees: Bretsnyder, Kreshel, Reynolds, Seals, Smith & Tryon

Visitors: John Welch (CPA), Kevin Seals, Gary Rush (OCHC) & Lonnie Hinck

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order @ 7:00pm by Council Pres John Ryan. John requested a moment of silence in memory of Larry Hinck.

Reading of Minutes

The minutes for the council meeting on 6/1/2020 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to approve the minutes as read, motion carried.

John Welch, CPA spoke to the council regarding the **City /Library /PBC budgeting for 2021**. This centered around the financing of the Library building and the payments needed in 2021 for O&M and bond payments needed. The Library has a budget for their O&M. They will need to raise their mill levy if the budget stays as is. A resolution will be needed to change the Library mill levy, Atty DeVoe will get documents ready for the Library meeting on 6/16/2020.

The bond payments for 2021 equals approximately \$42, 000.00.

The City's choices are:

- to levy a tax for the payments
- levy a tax for a percent of the payment then use sales tax funds or what's available
- or city pays full amount from funds available

The 2021 budget allows a 1.8% increase.

Mr. Welch requested that the Library resolutions be sent to him.

☞ Motion by Sitz, City to pay the bond payment of appx \$42,000.00 for 2021 from sales tax first and general funds after, 2nd by Lister. To be revisited next year. Motion carried.

Confirmation from Bolz Insurance that the construction insurance is separate from the city coverage but at time of completion the coverage will be added to the city property blanket policy.

Old Business

Zoning regulation for pools.

A copy of the changes for back yard pools fencing regulations was presented to the council. After discussion suggestion was made to change temporary fence time to "180 days (April – Sept), must be removed by Oct 5th".

☞ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to approve as changed, motion carried.

Joe Greene has complained that citizens are using the large 55-gal barrels for their trash. It is in the contract that 33-gal trash cans are the largest that can be used, they will no longer empty the large barrels. Council was notified in case they received complaints.

Police Dept

The full department was in attendance.

Officer Seals training has been moved from Hutchinson to Overland Park Aug 10-14. He requested that she be allowed to stay in a hotel since some of the days can be pretty long. He found one close to the training for \$91.00 per night, she would stay 4 nights and need meal reimbursement as policy states.

☪ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Ryan to approve the request, motion carried.

Chief Smith also announced that he would be retiring effective 8/29/2020. He requested permission to run ads for a police officer.

☪ Motion by Lister, 2nd by Sitz to approve advertising "prefer a certified police officer" . Motion carried. Officer Seals will replace Smith as the police chief.

Maintenance Dept

Dustin Bretsnyder reported for the department.

He has contacted the Vance Brothers regarding the overcharge on the bill for street repairs, they have not contacted him back.

He will also be contacting the two vendors from last year. We have encumbered funds for invoices.

He asked about getting bids for replacing the community room flooring or getting prices for the maintenance dept to do the work. Council told him to move forward with that.

He also would like to check on the expense for revitalizing the dock at the lake and maybe build a cleaning station.

The clear well at the water plant had some problems but those have been resolved.

He will check to see if funds are available to do more patches in the streets.

Some discussion on egress for the city hall, rules vary depending on the use of the building.

Other Departments

First Impressions Community development program through K-State Research and Development

☪ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to fill out the application and move forward with the program, motion carried.

Cleaning Position description was approved after changes were made from last meeting.

☪ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Ryan to approve the updated application, motion carried.

Merchants Bonding Company form for construction on Library Building.

Library project seems to be going fine.

☪ Motion by Ryan, 2nd by Sitz to approve filing the form online, motion carried.

Extension Requests

None have been received.

Motion for paying approved bills

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

Adjournment

☪ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Lister to adjourn at 8:42pm. Motion carried.