

Council Meeting 04-04-2022

Minutes taken by Autumn Shreve, City Clerk

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

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

Atty Vignery: Present

Employees: Bretsnyder, S. Seals, A. Shreve

Visitors: Kelli Moore, Kristi Pickett, Library Board

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 03/21/2022 were read for council approval.

☞ Motion by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve to approve the minutes with corrections, motion carried.

The minutes for the special park planning meeting on 3/28/2022 were read for council approval. Motion to approve minutes as read by Sitz, second by Lister, motion carried, Seals abstained.

Joe Greene/ Osage Waste Contract- Joe presented the council with his new contract and asked the council for an increase in the trash rate due to inflation and increase in gas prices. Joe would like to renew his contract for 2 years with an increase of \$2.00 per service starting in May. Motion to extend his contract to July 1, 2024 and increase Osage Waste fee to \$15.25 with the city collecting \$15.75 from residential accounts by Sitz, 2nd by Shreve, Motion carried.

Mulch prices were presented to the council for review. Council will review and discuss at a later date.

Tyler DeShazer- Tyler did not attend the council meeting. The council would like him to get back on the agenda. Councilman Moore advised of the sewer back up situation the DeShazer family is having. Tyler has spoken to maintenance and was told that the lift station is not strong enough. Dustin stated rain water getting into the pipes can affect it. No action at this time will be taken.

The council discussed the park bathrooms and the plan for the 2022 year. It was decided to take bids to contract with someone to clean them. Dustin stated that maintenance will take care of the bathrooms until a cleaner is hired.

Library

Heather reported for the monthly library report. The library had 757 visitors compared to 202 last year.

They have had many successful new programs including the 15 kids in the tween group. There was discussion on the new sign and the opportunity for civic groups to promote on the sign for free.

The library board requested to have the rent payment removed from the lease agreement. The board was asked about the phones and internet. There was discussion on the bond payment

and how it should be paid. Attorney Vignery will look into the lease and verify the bond information.

Police

Chief Seals reported for the PD.

There were two badges presented to the council for review. The council asked about the current badges and discussed pricing but no decision was made at this time. A total of 5 badges would be needed at a cost of about \$1000.

The council was presented information on TLO and the benefits to the police department and city office. The mayor asked if there was opportunity for the city to piggy back off the county's contract and what the pricing would be for the program. Shannon stated that she would get that information for the council.

Chief Seals informed the council that all the vehicles now have K-tags.

The mayor asked how Officer Garner was doing in Academy. Chief Seals stated that she is doing well and graduation is set for April 29.

The information for payment of the 800MHZ radio was presented to the council. There was discussion on what to do as we are not to receive the radios until the end of the year. The council determined it would be in the city's best interest to wait to pay it until requested.

The Chief advised the council that the police department would need to look into getting laptops or tablets for their vehicles due to the changes in the dispatch procedures and use of silent dispatching. The council had questions on them being mobile between vehicles, what the maintenance is and will the TLO program be able to be used on the devices.

Maintenance

Dustin reported for maintenance.

Dustin advised the council they have a pump moving water from the last lagoon since we have had so much rain. He stated he will file an incident report with KDHE to let them know.

Dustin advised that he ordered a couple of tires for the mower.

Dustin was asked about the pricing for renting a brush hog. He stated that it would be \$300-\$400 per day. He was asked if it was supposed to be used before the dam inspection. Dustin stated it was not for the inspection.

Other Departments

Zoning updated the council on current building projects within the community and provided a quarterly report.

Annexation:

The council discussed whether to move forward or not.

Atty Vignery stated we would need to notify the owners first and then have a special meeting.

There was discussion of the plan for the annexation and what would need to happen to be able to proceed.

Sitz stated there was a plan already discussed and the different steps of the plan starting with the properties that would not cost the city to annex in. There was more discussion on the different ways the annexation could occur and what would happen if someone did not want to be part of the annexation.

The council agreed that they would move forward to come up with a plan and then decide how to execute it.

Park Plan:

The mayor asked the council if they would like to schedule a work session for park planning.

The mayor discussed his experience at Gage Park little's play area and how he thinks the toddler area should be a priority.

The objective was stated that we need to get a master plan from the fence line to the lagoon including the different options available for the park along with pricing. Several ideas were discussed but nothing was agreed upon.

Seals clarified with the mayor that they need to set a day for a work session at the park. The mayor agreed but no date was decided.

Tyler Beckman and Fish Feeder contract- Council opened closed bid during the meeting. Motion to hire Tyler Beckman at \$125.00 a week for feeding and \$13.00 hourly for repairs for the 2022 year by Lister, 2nd by Sitz, Seals wanted to confirm the rates were the same as the previous year, motion carried.

Motion to sign the Interlocal agreement with Osage County for the NRP program by Lister, 2nd by Shreve, motion carried.

Motion to adopt the public works emblem for the maintenance department by Shreve, 2nd by Moore, motion carried.

Mayor Ryan advised the council that the developers had come in for a meeting and they have hired a grant writer to help with the process.

Sitz brought up concerns about the city office having a Facebook page. She said the council previously advised No city Facebook page due to KORA and having to track it. Some council members stated they do not remember that being said. There was discussion on the page and what needs to happen. The council tabled this topic until the next meeting.

Motion to pay all approved bills by Sitz, 2nd by Lister, motion carried Shreve, no.

Seals asked the Attorney to confirm with the council about the diversion money. Attorney Vignery stated that she would like to help the Police department with the Camera System through the Diversion funds. Seals will look into other cameras.

Sitz asked why the railing hasn't been fixed on the front porch of City Hall. There was some discussion.

Motion to adjourn at 9:32pm by Lister, 2nd by Sitz, motion carried.