

CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 17, 2017

6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met April 17, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor W.E. Schaiff. Council members present: Connie Bennett, Jerri Burton, Steve Dunlap, Ron Johnson, James Lucian, Sammie Opela, John Paradee, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, Grant Spieth. Council members absent: None.

Pastor Jim Lewis of the Columbus Christian Center led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Burton moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of April 3, 2017 council meeting minutes and Appropriation Ordinance 17-434 as presented. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

VISITOR – JANELLE BOWMAN – STATE THEATRE

Janelle Bowman co-owner/operator of the State Theatre approached the council with request for a temporary alcohol permit. Bowman has applied for a liquor license through the State however it will not be issued in time for a May 5 event at the location. She has filed for a temporary permit through the State which requires approval from the City. Bowman is asking for council approval so she can proceed with this application.

TEMPORARY ALCOHOL PERMIT – STATE THEATRE

Opela moved to allow a Temporary Alcohol Permit for the State Theatre for May 5, 2017. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Patterson. Abstain: Johnson. Motion carried 8-1-1.

VISITOR – ROBIN WELLS – RECREATION CENTER

Robin Wells of the Columbus Recreation Commission approached the council with updated plans for a recreation center in the old Pamida building on South East Avenue. Community Health of Southeast Kansas has acquired the building and would consider donating two-thirds of the facility to the City for a recreation center. Several questions and concerns were addressed including but not limited to occupancy limit, insurance costs, funding and start-up costs, parking and parking lot up keep, youth safety in getting to the center, staffing and building exits. Wells informed the council that several people and businesses in the community have voiced support of a recreation center, he is requesting permission of the council to proceed with project. Krista Postai, CEO of CHCSEK stated she feels a recreation center would work well with their use of the building and be as asset to the community. Postai is requesting input from the City before she takes this idea to the CHCSEK board of directors. She commented that Girard has a similar center that is working well in that community.

RECREATION CENTER

Burton moved to allow Columbus Recreation Commission to move forward with recreation center plans to acquire building space. Johnson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Johnson, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Dunlap, Lucian. Motion carried 8-2.

CONDEMNATION HEARING – 523 WEST OLIVE

Mayor Schaiff opened the condemnation hearing and asked if anyone was present who wished to speak regarding the property located at 523 West Olive. Mr. Michael Jones, new owner of the property stepped forward and informed the governing body of his cleanup progress and intent for the remaining work to be completed. Mr. Jones was unable to pinpoint a timeframe when this work might be finished.

PROCEED WITH DEMOLITION – 523 WEST OLIVE

Dunlap moved to proceed with condemnation and demolition of house located at 523 West Olive. Lucian seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards. Voting nay: Burton, Spieth. Motion carried 8-2.

STREET SWEEPER BIDS

Street sweeper bids opened and considered by the Street Committee as follows:

Truck Component Services	Unit Price	Trade in	Final Price		Options *
2017 Delevo 6000	173,366	22,500	150,866		11,000.00
2017 Delevo 6000	173,366	No	173,366		11,000.00
2017 Dulevo 3000	159,727	22,500	137,227		
2017 Dulevo 3000	159,727	No	159,727		
RED Equipment					
2017 Ravo 5 iSeries	216,000	15,000	201,000		
2017 Ravo 5 iSeries	216,000	No	216,000		
Ravo 5 iSeries - demo	199,000	15,000	184,000		
Ravo 5 iSeries - demo	199,000	No	199,000		
* Add on front gutter broom and water sprinkler					

STREET SWEEPER

Opela moved to approve purchase of 2015 demo Ravo iSeries street sweeper from RED Equipment Company for \$184,000 after trade in of City’s current street sweeper, to be paid out of street equipment reserve fund. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Dunlap, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Bennett, Burton, Johnson, Lucian. Motion carried 6-4.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Burton called for a fifteen minute executive session at 7:54 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel to discuss an employee dispute, with the Council, Mayor, City Attorney and City Superintendent in attendance. Bennett seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 8:09 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Johnson called for a fifteen minute executive session at 8:10 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel to continue discussion of an employee dispute, with the Council, Mayor, City Attorney and City Superintendent in attendance. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 8:25 P.M.

ALLOW PARKING

Dunlap moved to allow Spring River Mental Health to pave City easement in front of their facility on West Walnut for parking, with the understanding that any repairs due to future utility issues would be at their expense. Richards seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

PROBATION SUPERVISOR AGREEMENT

Dunlap moved to approve the Probation Supervisor Agreement as presented. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Burton. Motion carried 9-1.

ADVERTISE FOR PROBATION SUPERVISOR

Dunlap moved to advertise the Probation Supervisor position for one week. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

POOL MANAGERS – IBARRA/GILMORE

Dunlap moved to approve Glenda Ibarra and Catherine Gilmore for the positions of Pool Co-Managers, providing they pass all pre-employment requirements. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

HIRE LIFEGUARDS – NORMAN/PETERSON

Dunlap moved to approve Hannah Norman and Emily Peterson for the positions of Lifeguards, providing they pass all pre-employment requirements. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

MOBLIE SPEED LIMIT SIGN

Lucian moved to approve purchase of an Evolis Radar Speed Sign in the amount of \$2,500 to be paid out of the police department VIN fund and partnering with the local school district on a second unit if they are agreeable, to be paid out of the same account. Dunlap seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

GUN PURCHASE

Lucian moved to approve the purchase of nine (9) Glock Model 27 back up handguns for the police department in the amount of \$3,746.00 to be paid out of the police department VIN fund. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Burton. Motion carried 9-1.

2016 RESERVE FUND TRANSFERS

Spieth moved to approve the following 2016 reserve fund transfers:

	Capital	Equipment
Streets	\$25,000	\$25,000
Cemetery	\$34,000	
Parks	\$25,000	\$25,000
Property	\$20,000	
Police		\$15,000
Animal Control	\$5,000	\$1,000
Fire		\$97,500
Contingency	\$20,000	
Utility Funds		
Water	\$18,551	
Sewer	\$110,000	
Garbage	\$25,000	
All transfers subject t to	Auditor recommendation	

Richards seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: Dunlap. Motion carried 9-1.

AIR PACK LEASE

Spieth moved to pay off air pack lease with American Bank as money becomes available in the Fire Equipment Reserve Fund. Richards seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Paradee moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:49 p.m. Johnson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Bennett, Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Richards, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

Meetings:

Property/Pool/Parks

Thursday April 20, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

Streets/Alleys/Bridges

Thursday April 20, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.

Water/Sewer

Tuesday April 25, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.

Cherri Chancellor City Clerk