

CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 4, 2016

6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met April 4, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor Dexter Opela. Council members present: Dale Burton, Jerri Burton, Barbara Capron, Steve Dunlap, Mike Leighty, David Martin, Marion Morgan, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, W.E. Schaiff. Council members absent: None.

Council member Alvin Patterson led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEETING MINUTES

Leighty moved to approve Council Meeting minutes of March 21, 2016 as presented. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Capron. Motion carried 9-0-1.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 16-405

Leighty moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance 16-405 as presented. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Capron. Motion carried 9-0-1.

VISITOR – PAUL ROGERS

Paul Rogers of the United Methodist Church approached the council about using the city pool for water aerobics classes again this summer. Mr. Rogers was instructed to visit with the City Administrator and Pool Manager to work out the details.

CONDEMNATION – 418 N. VERMONT

Burton, Jerri moved to prepared condemnation order for 418 North Vermont and set hearing date. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

WATER TOWER PAINT BID

Burton, Dale moved to accept water tower painting bid from Utility Services LLC in the amount of \$66,400.00 to be paid out of water reserves, work to begin this fall after the pool is closed for the season. Burton, Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, -Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

SWIMMING POOL PAINT BID

Morgan moved to reject all pool painting bids. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

ORDINANCES 1372 – PIT BULL DOGS

Dunlap moved to approve Ordinance 1372 – *An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas, Amending Chapter II, Article 3, Sections 2-306 Through 2-308, and Establishing Section 2-309 of the City Code Regarding Penalties for Violations Concerning the Keeping, Harboring or Owning of Pit Bull Dogs.* Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

RELEASE EMPLOYEE

Capron moved to terminate Police Officer Zachary Hatfield not in good standing effective 4/04/2016. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri. Motion carried 8-2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Morgan called for a ten minute executive session at 7:15 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and the Chief of Police in attendance. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-1.

REGULAR SESSION 7:25 P.M.

RESIGNATION – CORKY HICKS

Capron moved to accept the resignation of Police Officer Corky Hicks not in good standing effective 3/28/2016. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri. Motion carried 8-2.

JOB CLASSIFICATION SCHEDULE

Capron moved to adopt the Job Classification and Salary Schedule for City employees as presented that will take effect 01/01/2017. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: Dunlap, Morgan. Motion carried 8-2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Burton, Dale called for a five minute executive session at 7:36 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and Chief of Police in attendance. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Schaiff. Voting nay: Richards. Motion carried 9-1.

REGULAR SESSION 7:41 P.M.

LONGEVITY PAY

Capron moved to approve longevity pay bonus for city employees with a satisfactory or higher annual evaluation who have reached their range maximum to be paid at a rate of 1.5% of their annual salary on the first payroll of December beginning December 2017. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Patterson, Schaiff. Voting nay: Morgan, Richards. Motion carried 8-2.

ORDINANCE 1373 – BID OPENINGS

Leighty moved to approve Ordinance 1373 – *An Ordinance by the City Council of the City of Columbus, Kansas, Amending Chapter I, Article 9, Section 1-903 of the City Code, Regarding Responses to the City’s Requests for Proposals and Bids.* Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

COURT COLLECTIONS

Dunlap moved to retain Attorney Michael Hassenplug for municipal collections. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Morgan. Motion carried 8-2.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Capron called for a fifteen minute executive session at 7:58 p.m. for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney – client relationship with the Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and Chief of Police in attendance. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 8:13 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Burton, Jerri called for a ten minute executive session at 8:13 p.m. for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney – client relationship with the Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and Chief of Police in attendance. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 8:23 P.M.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Schaiff called for a ten minute executive session at 8:25 p.m. for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney – client relationship with the Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Mayor, City Clerk and Chief of Police in attendance. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION 8:35 P.M.

APRIL FAIR HOUSING MONTH

Mayor Opela read a proclamation declaring April as Fair Housing Month in the City of Columbus.

RESIGNATION – Mike Leighty

Burton, Dale moved to accept the resignation of council member Mike Leighty effective immediately. Dunlap seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Leighty. Motion carried 9-0-1.

ADJOURNMENT

Burton, Jerri moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Dunlap, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Patterson, Richards, Schaiff. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

Meetings:

None

Cherri Chancellor City Clerk