

CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 17, 2015
6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met February 17, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor Grant Spieth. Council members present: Dale Burton, Jerri Burton, Barbara Capron, Mike Leighty, David Martin, Marion Morgan, Thomas Niegisch, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, Dewey Smith. Council members absent: None.

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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Burton Jerri moved to approve Council Meeting minutes from February 2, 2015 as presented. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Richards. Motion carried 9-0-1.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 14-374

Patterson moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance 14-374 as presented. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 15-375

Richards moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance 15-375 as presented. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

RENOVATION BID OPENED

City Superintendent Burton opened the lone sealed bid submitted for the renovation of the City Hall Complex:

The Opela Group, Inc. \$44,922.00

ACCEPT BID – CITY HALL

Leighty moved to accept the City Hall renovation bid from The Opela Group, Inc. in the amount of \$44,922.00. Smith seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-1.

SPRING CLEAN UP ASSISTANCE APPLICATIONS

Burton Jerri moved to approve City Hall as the designated pick up/drop off for Spring Cleanup Assistance Applications. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR – *BRADLY REAMS*

Mayor Spieth informed the Council and audience, Mr. Bradly Reams has accepted and signed the employment agreement of City Administrator as offered by the City. His official start date will be June 1, 2015.

PURCHASE MONITORING SYSTEM FOR CITY HALL

Burton Jerri moved to approve purchase and installation of eight camera monitoring system for City Hall from Touchton Electric & Alarms in the amount of \$5,010.27 to be paid out of 01-500-57991. Smith seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

THANK YOU – *VONDA MEEKS*

Burton Dale moved to approve \$50.00 in Chamber Bucks for Vonda Meeks to thank her for volunteer work and dedication to the care of the City Dog Pound to be paid out of the Animal Control budget. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

STEP INCREASE – *DAVID ALLEN*

Morgan moved to approve step increase for David Allen, Fire Driver, from \$9.31 to \$9.55 per hour, Range 8 Step B effective March 1, 2015. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Burton Dale called for a five minute executive session at 7:37 p.m. for matters of non-elected personnel with the Council, Mayor, City Administrator, City Attorney, City Superintendent, Chief of Police and City Clerk in attendance. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION: 7:42 P.M.

HIRE LABORER – *JASON WHEELLEN*

Morgan moved to hire Jason Wheelen for the position of Laborer with a starting wage of \$8.03 per hour Range 6 Step A providing he passes all pre-employment screenings. Smith seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

RESOLUTION 460- *GAAP WAVIER*

Niegisch moved to approve Resolution 460, Generally Accepted Accounting Principles Waiver for Fiscal Year ending 12/31/2015. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

RESIGNATION – *VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS*

Burton Dale moved to accept the resignation of Caleb Bond, Bennie Capron, Benji Jarrett and Jarrod Livingston as volunteer firefighters in good standing. Leighty seconded the motion.

Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried. 10-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Niegisch moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Martin, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 10-0.

Meetings:

Personnel

Monday February 23, 2015 @ 5:00 p.m.

Work Session/Signage

Monday February 23, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.

Fire

Tuesday February 24, 2015 @5:30 p.m.

Work Session/Employee Pay Scale

Tuesday February 24, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m.

Cherri Chancellor City Clerk