

CITY OF COLUMBUS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
February 21, 2017  
6:30 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE**

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met February 21, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor W.E. Schaiff. Council members present: Jerri Burton, Steve Dunlap, Ron Johnson, James Lucian, Sammye Opela, John Paradee, Alvin Patterson, Grant Spieth. Council members absent: Connie Bennett and Drew Richards

Council member Grant Spieth led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Spieth moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of February 6, 2017 council meeting minutes and Appropriation Ordinances 16-429 and 17-430 as presented. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Burton. Motion carried 7-0-1.

**VISITOR – MCKENZIE – MOBLE HOME PLACEMENT**

Kerry and Janet McKenzie approached the council with request to place a mobile home on their lot at 409 North Sixth Street. Police Chief Jason Daniels stated he has been working with the McKenzie's and the mobile home and lot both meet City Code requirements. He stated there is a shed on the property that will be taken down to meet code conditions.

**MOBILE HOME PLACEMENT – 409 NORTH SIXTH**

Burton moved to allow mobile home placement at 409 North Sixth Street as presented. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

City Superintendent Jim Burton informed the council of an opportunity to apply for a KDOT Connecting Link improvement program on North East Avenue. If awarded this would improve North East Avenue from Apple market grocery store to the north of Calibrated Forms. Burton stated if awarded the City would be responsible for 5% of the cost of the project which is estimated to be \$30, 000 to \$50,000, plus engineering costs.

**CONNECTING LINK – SOUTH EAST AVENUE**

Opela moved to apply for the KDOT Connecting Link program for North East Avenue as presented. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**CHAMBER DONATION – EASTER EGG HUNT**

Dunlap moved to donate \$200.00 to the Columbus Chamber of Commerce for the annual Easter Egg Hunt to be paid out of the park budget. Burton seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**RESIGNATION – EVAN GURNEE**

Dunlap moved to accept the resignation of Evan Gurnee, Meter Reader not in good standing. Lucian seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**ADVERTISE METER READER POSITION**

Dunlap moved to advertise the open Meter Reader position both in house and out until March 10. Patterson seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**FREE WATER – AMERICAN LEGION POST HOME**

Paradee moved to provide free water for the American Legion Post Home for one year beginning with the bill due March 2017. This is for the base water charge only which includes the first 1,000 gallons. Opela seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**REMOVE FROM CONDEMNATION LIST – 609 NORTH PENNSYLVANIA**

Lucian moved to remove property at 609 North Pennsylvania from the condemnation list. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**CONDEMNATION LIST – 523 WEST OLIVE**

Dunlap moved to proceed with condemnation actions for 523 West Olive citing the new owner. Lucian seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Opela called for a ten minute executive session at 7:50 p.m. for consultation with an attorney on matters that would be deemed privileged in an attorney – client relationship to discuss real estate matter with the everyone on the horseshoe in attendance. Lucian seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**REGULAR SESSION 8:00 P.M.**

No action taken.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Patterson moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 p.m. Paradee seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton, Dunlap, Johnson, Lucian, Opela, Paradee, Patterson, Spieth. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 8-0.

**Meetings:**

**Property/Pool/Parks**

**Monday February 27, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Personnel**

**Tuesday February 28, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Police & Licensing**

**Tuesday February 28, 2017 @ 7:00 p.m.**

**Budget/Finance**

**Wednesday March 1, 2017 @ 6:00 p.m.**

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*Cherri Chancellor City Clerk*