

**CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

June 16, 2014

6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas, met June 16, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall, presided over by Mayor Grant Spieth. Council members present: Dale Burton, Burton Jerri, Barbara Capron, Mike Leighty, Marion Morgan, Thomas Niegisch, Alvin Patterson, Dewey Smith, Gary Smith. Council member absent: Drew Richards.

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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Burton Jerri moved to approve Council Meeting minutes from June 2, 2014 as written. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Niegisch. Motion carried 8-0-1.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 14-355

Capron moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance number 14-355 as presented. Burton, Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

VISITOR - RICK ENSZ

Rick Ensz with Cooper Malone McClain Inc. approached the council with information regarding new legislation concerning bond disclosures and how it relates to the City.

HIRE COOPER & MALONE FOR BOND DISCLOSURE

Leighty moved to hire Cooper Malone McClain Inc. to file failure to file bond disclosure on behalf of the City subject to the upcoming Budget and Finance committee meeting findings. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Niegisch. Motion carried 8-1.

VISITOR – BOBBY STONE

Bobby Stone came before the council to ask permission to place a new mobile home at 417 – 423 South Pennsylvania. According to our ordinance #1298 one of the requirements is to come before the governing body to ask for permission. He is also aware of all the other requirements for placing a mobile home. Mr. Stone was advised to keep in contact with the City Superintendent and the Police Department to make sure ordinance guidelines are being met.

VISITORS – MIKE AND JANELLE BOWMAN

The Bowman's approached the council with information on the refurbishing of the Old State Theatre. The Bowman's envision turning this property into a venue for weddings and events. They are seeking a \$20,000.00 grant/donation from the City along with consideration for tax abatement. Additional sources of funding and resources were discussed. The council decided to send this back to the economic development committee for further review.

INSPECT MANHOLES REPLACEMENT

Burton Jerri moved to hire Professional Engineering Consultants (PEC) of Pittsburg and allow Mayor to sign contract for sewer manhole replacement Part B inspection not to exceed \$33,650.00. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

FREE SWIM

Burton Jerri moved to allow the city pool to be open for a free swim from noon to 9:00 p.m. on the 4th of July. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

ADVERTISE IN *LIVE CHEROKEE COUNTY* MAGAZINE

Capron moved to place a full-page advertisement in *Live Cherokee County* magazine for a one-time, yearly fee of \$500.00 to be paid out of the Economic Development Fund with changes being made to bring the advertisement current. Niegisch will work with Chamber on updating the content of the ad. Smith Gary seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Niegisch. Motion carried: 8-1.

ACCEPT FIRE TRUCK BID

Patterson moved to accept fire truck bid of \$227,986.00 with trade and loose equipment bid of \$49,736.00 from Ferrara Firemaster of Springfield, Missouri pending approval of financing. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

PROMOTION TO FULL TIME LABORER – ANDREW KINMAN

Morgan moved to promote Andrew Kinman to the position of Laborer for the street department with a starting wage of \$8.03 per hour, Range 6 Step A per Appendix A. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

PROMOTION TO POLICE CHIEF – JASON DANIELS

Morgan moved to promote Jason Daniels to the position of Chief of Police with a starting wage of \$16.26 per hour, Range 14 Step C per Appendix A-1, with an increase to \$16.65 per hour Range 15 Step A with a satisfactory evaluation at his December 2014 review. Niegisch seconded the motion. Voting aye: Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Motion carried 5-4.

APPOINT CITY ATTORNEY

Burton Jerri moved to approve the Mayor's appointment of Robert Myers for the position of City Attorney. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 9-0.

APPOINT MUNICIPAL JUDGE

Burton Jerri moved to approve the Mayor’s appointment of John Mazurek for the position of Municipal Judge. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Patterson, Smith Dewey. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Niegisch, Smith Gary. Motion carried 6-3.

APPOINT PROSCECUTING ATTORNEY

Burton Jerri moved to accept the Mayor’s appointment of Maradeth Frederick as Prosecuting Attorney. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey. Voting nay: Burton Dale, Smith Gary. Motion carried 7-2.

ADJOURNMENT

Niegisch moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 p.m. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 9-0.

Meetings:

Budget & Finance

Wednesday June 18, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.

Personnel

Monday June23, 2014 @ 5:30 p.m.

Water

Tuesday June 24, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Economic Development

Tuesday June 24, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.

Streets/Alleys/Bridges

Wednesday June 25, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Budget & Finance

Thursday June 26, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.


Cherri Chancellor
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