

**CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

May 5, 2014
6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas, met May 5, 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, Drew Richards, Dewey Smith, Gary Smith. Council member absent: None.

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

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Burton Jerri moved to approve Council Meeting minutes from April 21, 2014 as written. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE 14-352

Leighty moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance number 14-352 as presented. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

VISITOR – ED JOHNSON

Ed Johnson approached the council with concerns of the condition of several streets within the City.

RIP AND GRADE STREETS

Smith Gary moved to rip up milled streets within the City to be able to grade and better maintain these streets. Motion failed for lack of second.

REPLACE BRIDGE

Burton Dale moved to accept Davis Construction bid of \$7,580.00 to set bridge sections at Idaho and Elm. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

TREE REMOVAL

Capron moved to accept bid from Bill's Tree Service of \$650.00 to be paid out of streets to fall dead tree at 401 South Kansas with city crew to remove debris pending notification to bankruptcy trustee due to it being a hazard and danger. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-1.

POOL LIABILITY INSURANCE

Burton Jerri moved to require the swimming pool managers to purchase liability insurance coverage and the city will reimburse the cost of \$954.00. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 10-0.

REHABILITATION GRANT DEADLINE

Niegisch moved to approve final deadline extension of Phase II of the Downtown Rehabilitation Project to May 30, 2014 for remaining participants. City Clerk is to send letter informing that all bills and paperwork must be approved and turned in at City Hall by 4:30 p.m. on May 30, 2014 to be considered for payment. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

ORDINANCE 1328

Capron moved to approve Ordinance 1328 repealing Ordinance 1203 regarding sewer averaging. Smith Gary seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

POOL MANAGER CONTRACT

Burton Jerri moved to approve 2014 Pool Manager Contract as amended. Smith Dewey seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Capron. Motion carried 9-1.

SEASONAL LABORER

Morgan moved to hire Andrew Kinman for the position of Seasonal/Temporary/Part-time Laborer for the street department with a starting wage of \$7.46 per hour, Range 4 Step D per Appendix A, providing he passes all pre-employment testing. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Morgan moved to go into five minute executive session at 7:58 p.m. on matters of non-elected personnel with all members of the horseshoe in attendance. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

REGULAR SESSION: 8:03 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Morgan moved to go into ten minute executive session at 8:04 p.m. on matters of non-elected personnel with all members of the horseshoe in attendance. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

SEASONAL LABORERS

Morgan moved to hire Benjamin Jones III, Gatlynn Woods, Andrew Lamb and Ethan Martin for the positions of Seasonal/ Temporary / Part-time Laborers for the street department with a

starting wage of \$7.28 per hour, Range 4 Step C per Appendix A, providing they pass all pre-employment testing. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

POLICE OFFICER

Morgan moved to hire Cynthia Gillispie for the position of Police Officer II with a starting wage of \$11.28 per hour, Range 9 Step B per Appendix A-1, providing she passes all pre-employment testing. Burton Dale seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 10-0.

BURTON RESIGNATION

Morgan moved to accept the resignation of Aron Burton as Fire Truck Driver for the City of Columbus effective May 12, 2014 in good standing. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri. Motion carried 8-0-2.

SHARP RESIGNATION

Morgan moved to accept the resignation of Charles Sharp as Chief of Police for the City of Columbus effective May 31, 2014 in good standing and allow him to continue service with the City as a Reserve Officer. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-1.

ADVERTISE FOR POLICE CHIEF AND FIRE TRUCK DRIVER POSITIONS

Morgan moved to advertise internally and two times externally in the local paper for a Fire Department Fireman Driver and Chief of Police. Capron seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Burton Dale. Motion carried 9-1.

ADJOURNMENT

Burton Dale moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 p.m. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Patterson, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Motion carried: 10-0.

Meetings:

Fire

Monday May 12, 2014 @ 5:00 pm

Cemetery

Monday May 12, 2014 @ 5:45 pm

Police

Tuesday May 13, 2014 @ 6:00 pm

Streets

Tuesday May 13, 2014 @ 6:30 pm

Personnel

Wednesday May 14, 2014 @ 6:00 pm


Cheri Chancellor City Clerk