

**CITY OF COLUMBUS**  
**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
November 3, 2014  
6:30 P.M.

**ATTENDANCE**

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met November 3, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers presided over by Mayor Grant Spieth. Council members present: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Barbara Capron, Mike Leighty, Marion Morgan, Thomas Niegisch, Alvin Patterson, Drew Richards, Dewey Smith, Gary Smith. Council members absent: None.

Pastor Roger Beason of the First Christian Church led the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Burton Jerri moved to approve Council Meeting minutes from October 20, 2014 as written. Burton Dale 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.

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Capron moved to approve Special Meeting minutes from October 28, 2014 as written. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Patterson, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: None. Abstain: Niegisch, Richards. Motion carried 8-0-2.

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

Burton Jerri moved to approve Special Meeting minutes from October 29, 2014 as written. Patterson 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 14-364**

Leighty moved to approve Appropriation Ordinance 14-364 as presented. 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.

**VISITOR - TRISH CARROLL**

Trish Carroll representing ParCom Communications advised council of their grand opening Friday, November 7 and asked for exemption to City Code to allow tent for refreshments etc. during this time. Mrs. Carroll also asked council to reconsider conditions and restrictions of current ordinance/code concerning signage and sidewalk displays for area businesses.

**PARCOM SIDEWALK EXEMPTION**

Burton Jerri moved to allow ParCom to have a tent on the sidewalk for their grand opening during business hours Friday, November 7. Niegisch 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.

**ALLOW SIGNAGE**

Burton Dale moved to temporarily allow area businesses to display signs and merchandise on sidewalks during business hours as long as the sidewalk is not being blocked and there is at least three foot of free travel. 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.

**CEREAL MALT BEVERAGE LICENSE – WAL-MART**

Burton Jerri moved to approve a Cereal Malt Beverage License for Wal-Mart. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Capron, Leighty, Morgan, Niegisch, Richards, Smith Dewey, Smith Gary. Voting nay: Patterson. Motion carried 9-1.

**CONDEMNATION EXTENSION – 508 N. OHIO**

Burton Dale moved to approve condemnation extension for 508 North Ohio until December 1, 2014. Burton Jerri 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.

**CONDEMNATION EXTENSION – 528 S. PENNSYLVANIA**

Burton Dale moved to approve condemnation extension for 528 South Pennsylvania until December 1, 2014. Burton Jerri seconded the motion. Motion and second were rescinded after previous council minutes revealed property owner still has time on existing ruling, only an update was required at this meeting. Owner is to keep in touch with Police Chief Daniels until project completion.

**CONDEMNATION EXTENSION – 117 N. MINNESOTA**

Burton Dale moved to approve condemnation extension for 117 North Minnesota until December 1, 2014. Burton Jerri 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.

**BRIDGE – EAST MILL STREET**

Burton Dale moved to purchase bridge tile for East Mill Street. Leighty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Burton Dale, Burton Jerri, Leighty, Patterson, Smith Dewey. Voting nay: Capron, Morgan, Niegisch, Richards, Smith Gary. Tied vote. Mayor Spieth cast a no vote to break the tie. Motion failed 5-6.

**BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD RENEWAL**

Niegisch moved to approve renewal of city employee medical and dental insurance coverage with Blue Cross Blue Shield as quoted. 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.

**TETANUS SHOTS FOR CITY EMPLOYEES**

Smith Gary moved to approve voluntary tetanus shots for full time and part time City employees through Cherokee County Health Department to be paid for by the City at a cost of \$10.00 each.

Niegisch 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.

#### **BID EXTRACTION/RESCUE EQUIPMENT**

Niegisch moved to allow the Fire Department to go out for bids on extraction/rescue equipment. 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.

#### **CEMETERY LOT PRICE INCREASE**

Richards moved to approve increase in cemetery lot price to \$125.00 and city clerk office to register deeds with the Cherokee County Courthouse. 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.

#### **MATTICE RESIGNATION**

Morgan moved to approve resignation of Master Police Officer Stephen Mattice in good standing effective 11/07/2014 providing he fulfills his two week notice. 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.

#### **ADVERTISE FOR POLICE OFFICER**

Morgan moved to allow city clerk to advertise Police Officer II position in house and out house for at least six weeks. 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.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Leighty moved to go into a thirty minute executive session at 8:43 p.m. for personnel matters of non-elected personnel with the governing body and city attorney 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 9:13 P.M.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Niegisch moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 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:**

#### **Police & Licensing**

Thursday November 13, 2014 @ 6:30 p.m.

  
Cherri Chancellor City Clerk