CITY OF COLUMBUS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 7, 2021
6:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE

The City Council of Columbus, Kansas met June 7, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. presided over by City Council President Tom Pryor. Council members present: Kathy Doherty, Stephanie Farstvedt, Jan Houser. Council members absent: Nate Long, and Mayor Grant Spieth.

Jim Bowles of Calvary Baptist provided the Invocation followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Doherty moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of Appropriations Ordinance 21- 547, 2021, Treasurer's Report – May 2021, Council Meeting Minutes – May 17, 2021, June 2021 Personnel Report. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

STAFF REPORTS –

Code Enforcement Officer, Gary Holt, informed the council that he, Chief Daniels, and Ms. Rivas are working together to finalize the details of a community event to go over the new building permits, new processes and go over the history of Code Enforcement. They will also use this as an opportunity to showcase to the public what all community services the city offers and the necessity of these processes. Administrator Rivas invited all council members to attend the event to be held Wednesday, June 14th at 6:00 pm at the Community Building. Rivas added that all department heads will be present to update the community on current and upcoming projects the city has.

Community Development Coordinator Jake Letner announced the Columbus Land Bank has officially sold its first property and it is likely that they will have sold their second by the next meeting. Ms. Rivas announced that all the poly carts from the second order have been delivered, and we are working on the final list with a deadline to residents of June 25th. Any resident that does not order a cart by that time will be given a 95-gallon poly cart. She also stated that Property & Parks Director, Randy Coble, has placed an order for mosquito spray, and as soon as it arrives his department will begin spraying. Once the spray arrives, we will have an official spraying schedule and will post on social media and in the newspaper.

NEW BUSINESS-

H. 1(A) Consider Employee Season Pool Passes for 2021.

Houser moved to approve employee season pool passes for 2021. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

H. 1(B) Consider approval of Underwriting Agreement with Cooper Malone McClain, Inc. for the 2021 G.O. Bond Issue.

Houser moved to underwriting agreement with Cooper Malone McClain, Inc. for the 2021 G.O. Bond Issue. Doherty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

H. 3(A) Consider Ordinance 1481 amending Chapter 16, Fire Protection and Control, Article II, Fire Department, Section 16-27, Fees For Rescue Calls (Ordinance 1473).

Houser moved to approve Ordinance 1481 amending Ordinance 1473, Fees For Rescue Calls. Doherty seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

H. 3(B) Consider Resolution 610 establishing and implementing a program to charge mitigation rates for the deployment of emergency and non-emergency services by the fire department for services provided/rendered for the City of Columbus, Kansas.

Houser moved to approve Resolution 610. Farstvedt seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

H. 4(A) Consider approval of temporary authority to Randy Coble for a skid steer purchase up to $26,000 from June 7, 2021, to September 6, 2021.

Farstvedt moved to approve temporary authorization to Randy Coble. Houser seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

Houser invited the council to come out to the U.S. Open Shoot at Claythorne Lodge, citing that there will be 1,093 shooters in attendance.

Pryor asked for an update on the High School Street project. Property & Parks Director, Randy Coble, stated that Davis Construction began putting rock layer down on the North side of the railroad tracks, and sidewalks would start being poured once they complete the tear down of the road on the South side of the railroad tracks. Utilities Director, Scott Bennett, informed that Branco Construction has completed six-point repairs on the sewer lines down high school, and they have eight more to complete. Once those are completed, they will start laying the new sewer extension. Water lines have been installed down north High School Street, but we still have to lay line from Sycamore Street to Vermont street. Branco has also begun working on insert-a-valves. Rivas added a reminder to Council that we are replacing water lines, and we are using a cure and place method (slip-lining) for the sewer lines. Street work is on hold until water lines are completed on the south side.

Pryor requested information regarding the water tower repairs, Bennett stated the repairs should start around August. Houser stated footings were poured at Eddington Park on the new concession/restroom building. Rivas mentioned at the next work session they will receive an update on the building, discuss future mill and overlay projects, and receive information regarding new grant opportunity.

ADJOURNMENT

Doherty moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m. Houser seconded the motion. Voting aye: Doherty, Farstvedt, Houser, Pryor. Voting nay: None. Motion carried 4-0.

<u>Meetings</u>:

City Council Work Session – June 28th 6:30 pm

Erin Williams, Assistant City Clerk

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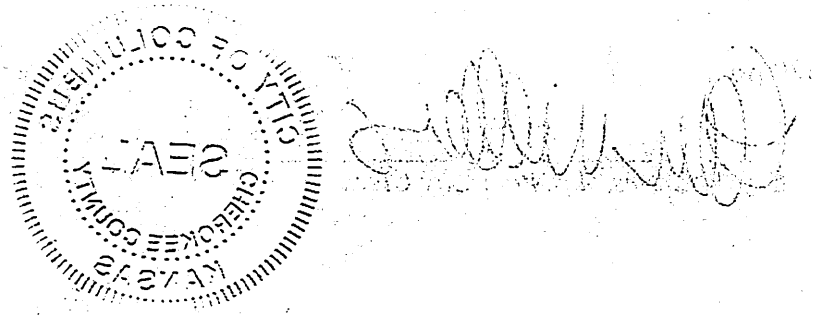
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