

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – Monday, March 24, 2014

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 24, 2014.

Governing Body Present: Mayor Jeff Harrington; Councilmembers: Tom Stephens, George Cooper, Bob Reeves, Joe Peterson, Jack Knight, Eric Freeman, Racheal Haas and Roger Shannon

City Staff Present: Jack Helin, City Manager; Rita Hoag, City Clerk; Tillie Laplante, Finance Director; Rick Sailler, Utilities Director, Kevin Bruemmer, Public Works Director; Skip Dobbs, Parks and Recreation Director and Matt Beets, Project Manager

Others Present: Todd Burrus, Financial Advisor, George K. Baum & Company

The Mayor opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Item No. 1 – National Volunteer Week Proclamation Presentation – The Mayor presented Proclamations to the Volunteer Department personnel and recognized City Committees, Commissions and Boards in observance of National Volunteer Week.

Item No. 2 – Proclamation Presentation National Work Zone Awareness Week April 7 through 11 – The Mayor presented proclamations to the Utilities Department, Public Works Department and the Parks and Recreation Department in recognition of National Work Zone Awareness Week.

Item No. 3 – Proclamation Presentation for April Fair Housing Month - The Mayor presented a proclamation to the Public Housing Authority Director in recognition of Fair Housing Month.

Item No. 4 – Citizen Concerns About Items Not on Today’s Agenda – None Presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor read the Consent Agenda Items 5 through 8 and asked the Staff, audience or City Council if they wished to remove an item for separate consideration. No items were removed.

Item No. 5 – Minutes of the March 10, 2014 City Council Meeting – Presented for approval.

Item No. 6 – Claims for City Operations – March 24, 2014 – Presented for approval were the Supplement Claims in the amount of \$35,837.63 and Regular Claims in the amount of \$96,221.85.

Item No. 7 – Public Housing Authority Claims – March 24, 2014 – Presented for approval in the amount of \$19,117.70.

Item No. 8 – Appointments to Boards and Commissions – Band Commission: Reappointment of Dani Gurley and Etta Cox for a three-year term to expire April 2017. Appointment of Elaine Berg for a three-year term to expire April 2017. Bonner Beautiful Committee: Appointment of Barbara Burdine to fill a position that expired April 2013 for a three-year term to expire April 2016. Cemetery Advisory Committee; Appointment of Linda Kasselmann and Judy Anderson for a three-year term to expire January 2017. Senior Center Advisory Board: Appointment of Juanita Clark for a three-year term to expire March 2017 to replace the position held by Bernice Scheidt.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

Reeves made a Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Cooper seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Item No. 9 – Ordinance to Authorize the Issuance of Approximately \$1,950,000 G.O. Bonds Series 2014-A & Resolution to Authorize the Delivery of Approximately \$1,950,000 G.O. Bonds Series 2014-A – The City Clerk and the Financial Advisor made a presentation as follows:

- The City Clerk stated a bid tabulation of the bids received is at each Councilmember’s position and introduced Todd Burrus from George K. Baum & Company.
- The City Council at the February 24, 2014 meeting approved Resolution No. 2014-04 to authorize the sale of G.O. Bonds in the approximate amount of \$2,010,000 that included the refinance of the G.O. Bond Series 2004-A and to pay off the 2012-1 Temporary Notes in the amount of \$1,750,000.
- The Competitive sale of the bonds was Monday, March 24 at 1 p.m.
- The City received an AA- bond rating for this bond issue.
- The City received five bids for the bond issue.
- Robert W. Baird & Company submitted the best bid of a 2.247349 percent (2.247349%) true interest cost.
- The estimated combined cost savings to pay off the temporary notes and refinance the 2004-A bonds is \$151,000.

Cooper made a Motion to Accept the Bid for Sale of the Bonds. Peterson seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Cooper made a Motion to Approve an Ordinance to Authorize Issuance of G.O. Bond Series 2014-A in the Approximate Amount of \$1,950,000. Reeves seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Assigned Ordinance No. 2383.

Cooper made a Motion to Approve a Resolution to Authorize Delivery of G.O. Bond Series 2014-A in the Approximate Amount of \$1,950,000. Stephens seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Assigned Resolution 2014-05.

Item No. 10 – Bonner Springs Arts Alliance Request Use of City Street, Parks and Parking Lots – The Bonner Springs Arts Alliance made application to use City streets, parks and parking lots for a “Festival of the Arts” on Saturday, June 28, 2014 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Kristin Paxton, Bonner Springs Arts Alliance, provided Save the Date notices to the Councilmembers and answered questions.

Stephens made a Motion to Approve the Bonner Springs Arts Alliance Request Use of City Streets, Parks and Parking Lots for June 28. Reeves seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Item No. 11 – Award Bid for the Swingster Interceptor Repair Project – The Project Manager made a presentation as follows:

➤ The project is to remove a partially collapsed interceptor pipeline, to replace approximately four hundred fifty feet (450’) of eight-inch (8”) Ductile Iron Pipe with twelve-inch (12”) PVC or HDPE pipe and to replace one manhole.

➤ The City received three bids; Jay’s Plumbing Excavation-\$72,783, Westland Construction - \$78,700 and Schuetz Construction - \$129,330.

➤ The City intends to temporarily pump flow from the Lake of the Forest Lift Station to a nearby manhole in Edwardsville.

➤ The Contractor has ten work days to complete the project before liquidated damages go into effect.

➤ The estimated total project cost for the Swingster Interceptor Project is \$83,000 to include \$10,000 to rent the necessary pumps and equipment to temporarily divert flow.

➤ Staff recommends the City Council award the bid to Jay’s Plumbing Excavation in the amount of \$72,783.

Reeves made a Motion to Award the Bid for the Swingster Interceptor Repair Project to Jay’s Plumbing in the Total Amount of \$72,783. Shannon seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Item No. 12 – 2014 Mowing Services Contract – The Community and Economic Development Director made a presentation as follows:

➤ City Staff annually bids City mowing services.

➤ The City received two bids; Creative Landscaping and Concrete- \$55 per hour and Arbor Masters Tree and Landscape - \$90 per hour.

➤ When property owners do not correct property maintenance code violations, the City uses the mowing contract services and mails to the property owners an invoice for the services. If not paid, we assess the cost to the owner.

➤ Staff recommends the City Council award the 2014 Mowing Services contract to Creative Landscaping and Concrete to expire December 31, 2014.

➤ The 2014 Property Maintenance Code has \$4,000 budgeted to cover these costs.

Reeves made a Motion to Award the 2014 Mowing Services Contract to Creative Landscaping & Concrete, Inc. to Expire December 31, 2014. Cooper seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero.

Item No. 13 – Adopt Region L Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to Include Johnson, Leavenworth & Wyandotte Counties – The City Manager made a presentation as follows:

➤ The City Council approved a Wyandotte County Hazard Mitigation Plan in March 2010.

➤ Officials from Wyandotte, Johnson and Leavenworth counties developed a regional plan to combine the three county plans into one.

➤ There are no changes to the Wyandotte County plan as incorporated into the new multi-county plan.

➤ The City must adopt the plan as a condition to receive hazard mitigation funds for projects funded by Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant programs.

Reeves made a Motion to Approve a Resolution to Adopt the Region L Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan to Include Johnson, Leavenworth and Wyandotte Counties. Haas seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero. **Assigned Resolution No. 2014-06.**

Item No. 14 – Charter Ordinance to Amend the Name of the Convention and Tourism Committee to Bonner Springs Tourism Committee and Regular Ordinance to Amend the Ordinance that Established the Convention and Tourism Committee – The City Clerk made a presentation as follows:

- Charter Ordinance No. 20 approved in July 2000 provided for the establishment of the Convention and Tourism Committee by a separate regular Ordinance.
- Ordinance No. 1896 established to Committee in July 2000.
- The Committee feels the name is inappropriate as the City does not have a convention center and recommends to change the name to Bonner Springs Tourism Committee.
- The name change requires the City Council to amend the Charter Ordinance and the regular Ordinance.
- State law requires the Mayor to vote on Charter Ordinances.

Reeves made a Motion to Approve a Charter Ordinance to Amend the Name of the Convention and Tourism Committee to the Bonner Springs Tourism Committee. Stephens seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of nine to zero. **Assigned Charter Ordinance No. 31.**

Cooper made a Motion to Approve an Ordinance to Amend Chapter I Administration, Article 13 Convention and Tourism Committee Sections 1-1301, 1-1302 and 1-1305. Reeves seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of eight to zero. **Assigned Ordinance No. 2384.**

Item No. 15 – Charter Ordinance to Repeal Charter Ordinance No. 22 that Exempted the City from Sales Tax Provisions – The City Clerk made a presentation as follows:

- In June 2002, the City Council approved Charter Ordinance No. 22 to exempt the City from state law that pertained to the levy and collection of local retailers’ sales tax so the City could levy a one-quarter of one percent sales tax for construction of the Aquatic Center.
- The state law changed in July 2006 but the City had to keep the Charter Ordinance in effect until we collected sufficient sales tax to fully pay the bonds.
- The City collected sufficient sales tax to pay off the bonds in December 2013.
- The Charter Ordinance could not be updated with the recodification process because a Charter Ordinance can only be amended or repealed by a Charter Ordinance.
- Staff recommends approval of a Charter Ordinance to repeal Charter Ordinance No. 22.

Reeves made a Motion to Approve a Charter Ordinance to Repeal Charter Ordinance No. 22 that Exempted the City from Sales Tax Provisions. Cooper seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of nine to zero. **Assigned Charter Ordinance No. 32.**

Item No. 16 – Charter Ordinance to Repeal Charter Ordinance No. 10 that Established the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission – The City Clerk made a presentation as follows:

- In August 1984 the City Council approved Charter Ordinance No. 10 that established the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.
- As part of the recodification process, the City changed the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board at the request of the Parks and Recreation Director.
- Staff recommends approval of a Charter Ordinance to repeal Charter Ordinance No. 10.

Reeves made a Motion to Approve a Charter Ordinance to Repeal Charter Ordinance No. 10 that Established the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission. Cooper seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of nine to zero. **Assigned Charter Ordinance No. 33**

Item No. 17 – City Manager’s Report – The City Manager added items as follows:

- Attached to the City Manager’s Report is a schedule for the “Your Speed Is” sign. Councilmembers should contact the City Manager if they have recommendations for locations for the sign.
- The United States Marshals arrested the suspects and accomplice in the recent armed robbery.

Item No. 18 – City Council Items –

- Bob Reeves thanked the City Staff for their work to achieve an AA- rating.

Item No. 19 – Mayor’s Report –

- Sent a letter to the new County Administrator, Doug Bach, to congratulate him and invite him to meet with the City Council at a Workshop Meeting.
- Received compliments from residents on how well the City streets were cleared this winter.
- Appreciates the hard work of City Staff and Councilmembers to maintain and repair the City streets.
- Is in the process to schedule a tour of the Cerner campus for the Mayor’s Youth Council.

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

Rita Hoag, City Clerk