

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – Monday, September 14, 2015

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2015.

Governing Body Present: Mayor Jeff Harrington; Councilmembers: Tom Stephens, George Cooper, Bob Reeves, Dani Gurley and Joe Peterson

Governing Body Absent: Mike Thompson, Mark Kipp and Rodger Shannon

City Staff Present: Jack Helin, City Manager; Amber McCullough, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director and Rick Sailler, Utilities Director

Others Present: Audrey Odermann, Mize, Hauser and Company

The Mayor introduced Peter Klingele, Boy Scout Troop 149, who led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Item No 1. – Prostate Cancer Awareness Month Proclamation – The Mayor presented a proclamation to George Cox to recognize National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month.

Item No. 2 – Citizen Concerns About Items Not on Today’s Agenda – None presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Mayor read the Consent Agenda Items 4 through 10 and asked the staff, audience or City Council if they wished to remove an item for separate consideration. No items were removed.

Item No. 3 – Minutes of the August 24, 2015 City Council Meeting – Presented for approval.

Item No. 4 – Minutes of the August 20, 2015 Special Council Meeting – Presented for approval.

Item No. 5 – Claims for City Operations for September 14, 2015 - Presented for approval were the Supplement Claims in the amount of \$139,865.11 and Regular Claims in the amount of \$226,817.34.

Item No. 6 – Public Housing Authority Claims – August 24, 2015 – Presented for approval in the amount of \$2,370.84.

Item No. 7 – Resolution to Write Off Unpaid Minimum Annual Contract Payments from Rural Water District No. 7 - The Finance Director recommended approval to write off uncollected Rural Water District No. 7 debt. Collection efforts will continue. **Assigned Resolution No. 2015 -07.**

Item No. 8 – Appointments to Boards and Commissions – Senior Center Advisory Board – Appoint Winona Vernon to fill the unexpired term previously held by Juanita Clark who resigned. The term will expire March 2017; Tourism Committee – Appoint Pamela Cone, Super 8, to fill the unexpired position previously held by Paige Karbeah who moved. The term will expire July 2019.

Item No. 9 – League Voting Delegates for Annual Conference Business Meeting – The City Council nominated the Mayor and the Council President for the two voting delegate positions for the business and policy session to be held on October 12, 2015, in Topeka as part of the Annual League Meeting.

Item No. 10 – Amusement Permit – Circus at Agricultural Hall of Fame – Clark and Barnes, LLC made application and paid the fee to hold a circus at the Agricultural Hall of Fame on October 5 and 6, 2015 from 4:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The approval is contingent upon satisfactory inspection and receipt of the certificate of insurance.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

Cooper made a Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda. Stephens seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of five to zero.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Item No. 11 – Presentation and Acceptance of the 2014 Audit – Staff provided a copy of the audit in the agenda packet. The Finance Director introduced Audrey Odermann with Mize, Houser and Company, who made a brief presentation:

- The 2014 audit contains an unmodified opinion which is the best opinion the City can receive.
- Did not find any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses and no findings or violations in internal controls.

Reeves made a Motion to Accept the 2014 Audit. Gurley seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of five to zero.

Item No. 12 – 2016 Water and Wastewater System Impact Fees – The Utilities Director made a presentation:

- Staff updated the City Council on Impact Fees for Water and Wastewater at the Workshop meeting on August 24, 2015.
- The Impact Fees are a direct expense to the potential home buyer or business owner, paid at the time the building permit is issued.

➤ Staff recommended the City Council approve increasing the fees effective January 1, 2016. Reeves made a Motion to Approve the Increases for the Water and Wastewater System Impact Fees to be Effective January 1, 2016. Stephens seconded the motion and it carried on a vote of five to zero.

Item No. 13 – City Manager’s Report – The City Manager added the following:

➤ Ron Wyatt, Superintendent of Operations, received the 2015 American Waterworks Association Meritorious Operator Award for Kansas.

➤ Staff provided in the City Manager’s Report, a list of stormwater repair work planned for the next five years. The work projected exceeds the amount collected with the proposed fee increases.

Item No. 14 – City Council Items –

➤ Stephens thanked Staff on Rodger Shannon’s behalf for cleaning out the culvert on Springdale.

➤ Reeves reported the “No Parking” sign on Sheidley and Metropolitan is down.

➤ Gurley asked if road repairs are scheduled for Woodend Road. Staff reported the preconstruction meeting was last week but Woodend is not on the priority list for 2015.

Item No. 15 – Mayor’s Report – The Mayor reported:

➤ Attended the Midwest Public Risk conference last weekend and received a lot of good information to help minimize insurance expenses.

➤ Attended the NAACP banquet and presented a proclamation.

➤ Extended an invitation to the Edwardsville Centennial Birthday Celebration on Saturday, September 19 from 10:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m.

➤ Announced the City hired a new City Manager. Sean Pederson will start October 27. Jack’s last day is October 26, 2015.

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m. _____ Amber McCullough, City Clerk