

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – July 26, 2021

The Bonner Springs City Council met in Workshop session at 6:03 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Harrington, Shannon, Mackey, Thompson, Wood, Gurley, Kipp, Stephens and Reeves.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director, Matt Zayas, City Manager’s Assistant; Frank Abart, Public Works Director, Nate Brungardt, Parks and Recreation and Chris Jennings, Deputy Fire Chief/EMS Director.

Item No. 1: Budget Workshop – The Finance Director and the City Manager reviewed the historic and proposed budgets for the the special revenue, enterprise and capital and equipment improvement funds.

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:37 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Harrington, Shannon, Mackey, Thompson, Wood, Gurley, Kipp, Stephens and Reeves.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director, Matt Zayas, City Manager’s Assistant; Frank Abart, Public Works Director, Nate Brungardt, Parks and Recreation, Matt Beets, Deputy Public Works Director and Chris Jennings, Deputy Fire Chief/EMS Director.

The mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and asked Pastor Flournoy to lead the invocation.

Citizen Concerns about Items Not on Today’s Agenda – None presented.

Tyler Beets, boy scout with Bonner Springs Troop 149 introduced himself and stated he is attending the meeting as part of his project to earn his Eagle Merit Badge.

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

- 1.Minutes of the July 12, 2021 City Council Meeting
- 2.Claims for City Operations
- 3.Claims for Public Housing Authority Operations
- 4.Public Use Request - Redline Rallys and Fuel House

Reeves moved and Mackey seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS – None Presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Item No. 1: Sheidley Waterline Replacement Project - Award Bid –Mackey moved and Reeves seconded to approve the bid from Linaweaver Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$115,832 for construction related to the Sheidley Waterline Replacement Project. Unanimous approval.

Item No. 2: Sheidley Waterline Replacement Project - Supplemental Agreement – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to approve the Supplemental Agreement from BG Consultants, Inc. in the amount of \$15,750 for professional services related to the Sheidley Waterline Replacement project. Unanimous approval with Kipp abstaining.

Item No. 3: Jerry Lee Jarrett Honorary Street Signs – Mackey moved and Shannon seconded to approve placing signs on Springdale Avenue honoring Jerry Lee Jarrett. Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Item No. 1: City Manager's Report

- Wyandotte County's fiber network will not be completed through Bonner Springs. The timeline ran out on the federally grant funded project and the Unified Government decided not to complete the portions in Bonner Springs. The Unified Government is asking for input on how to spend ARPA funds, residents can provide feedback on the Unified Government website.
- Continued the capital equipment and improvement fund overview from the budget workshop. Reviewed the five-year capital improvement and equipment plans. He explained that items are placed on the CIP because they are needed. The Council will need to determine if funds are available.

Item No. 2: City Council Items

- Reeves asked for updates on the downtown buildings in disrepair. No update is available on 120 Oak, updates on the old Thriftway building were included in the City Manager's report.
- Stephens thanked the City Manager for the update in the report.
- Wood asked if information about the library's electronic recycling day will be placed in the newsletter.
- Mackey reminded everyone there is an election coming up on August 3rd and encouraged people to get election information and vote. He stated the Central Avenue Betterment Association is a good resource for election information. He thanked fellow council members and residents for the opportunity to be on the Council.
- Shannon asked about the fiber lines that were already being placed in Bonner Springs. The City Manager explained other companies were placing fiber lines. The Unified Government project was more pertinent to public safety as it would have connected us directly to Unified Government's Emergency dispatch.
- Shannon asked about the placement and format of the honorary signs for Jerry Jarrett.

Item No. 3: Mayor's Report

- The mayor encouraged everyone to voice their concerns with their Wyandotte County commissioner about their use of funds.
- Met with other Wyandotte County Mayors, the Bonner Springs Mayor is not on the ballot for this election, Edwardsville Mayor McTaggart is not seeking reelection, multiple candidates are running for Wyandotte County Unified Government Mayor/CEO. Please do your research and vote.
- 200 Salon is hosting a fundraiser going on this week for owner of Dari Dine.
- The last City Band concert of the summer is this Thursday.
- Every is experiencing difficulty with purple LED lights. Please report discolored street lights to City staff either with a phone call or via the website.
- Please check on your neighbors and watch out for your pets during the extreme heat.

The meeting adjourned at 8: 22 p.m.

_____ Christina Brake, City Clerk