

# SCOTT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**Call to order:** A meeting of the Council was held on August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 215 Chester Ave. Mayor Norman Brant called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following council members were present: Gary Spinks, Jack Howard, Kenny Page, Victor Phillips, Cody Page, Randy Morse and Mike Rhymer.

**Absent:** Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson

**Also, Present:** City Attorney, Frank Siebert; Asst Fire Chief, Shawn Jackson; Police Chief, Michael Culler; Parks Director, Skylar Cobb; City Administrator, Mike Dudek; Dispatch Supervisor, Ben Harrison; Captain, Larry Rutherford.

**Prayer and Pledge:** Prayer was led by Brother Ben Harrison. Pledge was led by Mayor Norman Brant.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve August 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting agenda made by Councilman Gary Spinks; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to approve July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes made by Councilman Jack Howard; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. 5 in favor; Kenny Page and Cody Page abstained; Motion carried.

Motion to approve August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 meeting minutes made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks. 6 in favor; Randy Morse abstained; Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$41,333.43 was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page.

**Public Hearing:** None

**Public Forum:** None

## **New Business:**

**Bill #1198 Ordinance #1207:** Amendment to an ordinance calling a bond election in the City of Scott City, MO. Motion to table Bill 1198 Ordinance 1207 was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks. All in Favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

## **Mayor's Report:**

- Asks Council for a motion to start condemnation process on 1908 Fornfelt. Motion made by Councilman Randy Morse; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Capital Improvement account was going to cover expenses for Police Department's door lock system and for Fire Department's 5 new radios. With further investigation into the account it has been determined that the account will be depleted lower than wanted to cover expenses.

These funds must come out of the department budget and in the Spring money from Capital Improvements may be disbursed to replenish back the department's budget if needed. Motion to approve this change was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; Seconded by Councilman Randy Morse. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

- Dustin needs a Hoist for the Chlorine Room at the Water Plant. This will cost roughly \$6200. Motion to approve this purchase was made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Included in the Council packet is a copy of the Quick Claim Deed for Chelsey St to be extended. This was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Timothy A. McConnell.

**City Administrator, Mike Dudek:**

- Collector, Tina Blattel, has provided a list of business licenses that have yet to renew. Stating most of these businesses are having issue getting their "No Tax Due" letter from the Dept of Revenue. Asks what type of action to move forward with for these businesses. Council recommends allowing a 30 day extension. Motion to approve a 30 day business license extension was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Special meeting will be held on Monday, August 24<sup>th</sup> at 6pm to discuss tax levy ordinance.
- Police Dept will discuss further details regarding the new vehicle lease.
- Working with Rooted Web on new City website. The new website will be better long term and have a page for each department. There will be more interactive options as well. The website quote is \$9800. Asking Council to allow the Casino money of \$6700 to be used towards the new website. The remainder of the funds will come out of General Revenue funds. There will be a monthly fee of \$50 for this website. The first year of these fees are waived.
- Motion to allow Casino funds of \$6700 to be used towards new City website made by Councilman Gary Spinks; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**Department Reports:**

**Randy Morse, Admin/Finance: Nothing to Report**

**Police Chief, Mike Culler:**

- New cruiser spotlights are considered optional equipment. The additional cost for the spotlights for the 4 new cruisers comes to \$7700.
- Charlie Rogers complimented the Police Dept on their diligent efforts to catch speeders on his street. However, he is still requesting a speed bump. There may be a possibility for portable rumble strips to be put in place.
- Sergeant Dooley and K-9 Raina busted a meth lab recently.
- Grants approved to purchase radar units and jail cameras.

**Victor Phillips, Police: Nothing to report**

**Shawn Jackson, Asst Fire Chief:**

- 25 calls last week
- 5 new radios have been ordered
- Search and Rescue training was done at the house on 11<sup>th</sup> St
- Trent is in a training class and could not be present for this meeting. This training class cost is covered by grants. Other training classes will also be covered by grants.

**Kenny Page, Fire: Nothing to report**

**Skylar Cobb, Park Director:**

- Summerfest week. Most of the stands and rides have already been set up. A Summerfest flyer and schedule of events has been distributed. The amusement company will be taking extra Covid precautions during the festival.
- Thursday night will be family night and there will be no alcohol served.
- Friday and Saturday night entertainment is lined up. All three nights will have a fish fry from 5pm-8pm.
- Been working on getting all the mowing done and out of the way.
- Last week of the pool being open.
- There are over 20 teams for Fall Ball. May have to introduce a second day to have games with the number of teams signed up.
- Fishing clinic will be an 8am-12pm event. Looking into have an archery part of the event that will go on simultaneously. Again this event will be help September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Cody Page, Parks: Nothing to report**

**Dustin Whitworth, Public Works Director: Absent**

**Mike Rhymer, Public Works:** Public Works meeting to be held Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm at the Public Works Building. Discussion over debt bonds and putting water meters in landowner's names.

**Gary Spinks, Cemetery: Nothing to report**

**Heather Ingvalson, Ordinances: Absent**

**Jack Howard, Planning and Grants:** Bicentennial is next month. Still looking at ideas for grants.

**Motion to go into closed meeting was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks. All in favor; None opposed: Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page-AYE; Gary Spinks-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Cody Page-AYE; Randy Morse-AYE**

**Closed session begins at 7:46pm**

**Motion to go back into open session made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page-AYE; Gary Spinks-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Cody Page- AYE, Randy Morse-AYE**

Re-opened session at 9:00pm.

Next meeting will be August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at 6pm.

No further business being presented, motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Victor Phillips;  
Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm. All in Favor; None Opposed;  
Motion Carried.

Attest:

  
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Ashley Gentry, City Clerk

  
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Norman Brant, Mayor