

SCOTT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

January 3rd, 2022

Call to order: A meeting of the Council was held on January 3rd, 2022 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: Randy Morse, Jack Howard, Kenny Page, Victor Phillips and Mike Rhymer.

Absent: Councilmen Gary Spinks, Cody Page and Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson.

Also, Present: City Attorney, Frank Siebert; Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth; Police Chief, Larry Rutherford; Parks Director, Skylar Cobb; Dispatch Supervisor, Ben Harrison; City Administrator, Mike Dudek.

Prayer and Pledge: Prayer was led by Pastor Randy Morse. Pledge was led by Mayor Norman Brant.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve January 3rd, 2022 meeting agenda made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve December 20th, 2021 meeting minutes with amendments made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Jack Howard. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$37,352.86 was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; Seconded by Councilman Jack Howard. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Public Hearing:

- Opened Performance Hearing with Mitzi Dell (via phone) at 7:09pm. Mitzi informed the audience that the Main St Ditch Project has 80% of the funds so far. Completion should be by January 26th, 2022. Project is on schedule at 91% completion. No issues yet, besides a slight delay at the beginning due to materials on back order. That time was made up during the process of the project. Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth thanked Mitzi for her time and work put into making this project happen. Hearing closed at 7:12pm. After hearing closed Mitzi was asked on status of the Sidewalk Grant. Mitzi stated the City's application was accepted this past month and we should hear if the City will be awarded the grant in 4-6 weeks. Mitzi included to say grants for Fire and Police have been submitted also.
- Ryan Landewee re-zoning request to build storage units next to apartments he now owns (lot at 214 Keeley), hearing opened at 7:14pm. Planning and Zoning Committee recommended the request for re-zoning be denied. Dave Cherry (resident since 1994) is happy for the chance to clean up the area but believes storage sheds in the area would lower property value and cause constant disruption. Would like to see more apartments be put in. Virgil Landewee believes there is not a better place to put storage units. Ryan and Virgil Landewee showed a better diagram of their plan on a dry erase board during hearing. Ryan Landewee stated there are storage units near that area. The Landewee's have spoken with the Ressel's who have

apartments near by and they think the storage units will be a great idea and help clean the area up (request from Council for possible letter from the Ressel's). City Attorney states it will take ¾ Council vote to override Planning and Zoning denial. Council will review and vote at next Council meeting. No public hearing needed. Motion to continue until January 18th, 2022 meeting made by Councilman Randy Morse; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. Hearing closed at 7:37pm.

Public Forum:

- Randy Modglin commended Councilman Randy Morse on conducting the last meeting as he did, standing up for Mayor and Council. Modglin states the Public Forum is a time for the public to interact with Mayor and Council. With that being said Modglin is trying to learn more about the City and the operations.

New Business: 2 Ordinance

- **Bill #1257 Ordinance #1266:** An ordinance amending chapter 610 relating to the time for sale of alcoholic beverages. Motion for first reading made by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Motion for second reading made by Councilman Jack Howard. Motion to accept Bill #1257 Ordinance #1266 made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. 4 in favor. 1 opposed (Randy Morse). Continued to next meeting. **Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-NAY; Jack Howard-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Cody Page-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE**
- **Bill #1258 Ordinance #1267:** An ordinance regulating battery charged fences. Motion for first reading made by Councilman Kenny Page. Motion for second reading made by Councilman Mike Rhymer. Motion to accept Bill #1258 Ordinance #1267 made by Councilman Jack Howard; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. **Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE**
- None opposed. Motion carried. **Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Cody Page-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE**

Mayor's Report:

- Gary Spinks has resigned from City Council. Would like to appoint Rick Brashear to fill the remaining time of Gary's term. Motion to appoint Rick Brasher as Councilman Ward III made by Councilman Randy Morse; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. Rick Brashear immediately sworn in by the City Clerk and took his seat.
- Motion to appoint Gary Spinks to Planning and Zoning Committee made by Councilman Randy Morse; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Scott County needs nominations for E911 board. Even with Mayor and Council against having a E911 board we as a City still have to submit names to Scott County. The names given are: Monty Keese, Tim Porch, Jay Cassout, Shawn Jackson, Dan King and Norman Brant.

City Administrator, Mike Dudek:

- 911 Grant has been finalized and the City should see funding soon.
- Patrick Kitner the City's Auditor will be present at the next Council meeting to go over the audit.

- Has been asked to join a panel for “First Friday” meeting. If anyone would like something mentioned please get with him to discuss.

Department Reports: Randy Morse, Admin/Finance: Nothing to report.

Police Chief, Larry Rutherford:

- Received a couple applications. Will set up Police Board meeting to review soon.

Victor Phillips, Police: Nothing to report.

Shawn Jackson, Fire Chief: Nothing to report.

Kenny Page, Fire: Nothing to report.

Skylar Cobb, Park Director:

- Easter Egg Hunt – April 16th, Outdoor Clinic – August 20th, Eric Urhahn Tournament – September 10th
- Youth League sign up begins January 18th
- Looking at possibly bidding out the Concession Stand project to get it finished up.

Cody Page, Parks: Absent

Dustin Whitworth, Public Works Director: Nothing to report.

Mike Rhymer, Public Works: Nothing to report.

Gary Spinks, Cemetery: Resigned – Rick Brashear appointed in his place during meeting.

Heather Ingvalson, Ordinances: Absent

Jack Howard, Planning and Grants:

- Planning meeting next Tuesday, January 11th at 6pm.

Motion to go into closed meeting for reason 3 on agenda was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed: Motion carried. Roll Call Vote: Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Rick Brashear-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Randy Morse-AYE

Closed session begins at 8:03pm

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

Re-opened session at 8:22pm.

Motion to increase Public Works employee pay rates per Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth's recommendation and also increase Dustin's salary by \$1.00 per hour (\$2080 annually) effective immediately (next full payroll should see increases) made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 18th, 2022.

No further business being presented, motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Jack Howard; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Attest:



Ashley Gentry, City Clerk



Norman Brant, Mayor