

# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Call to order:** A meeting of the Council was held on July 18, 2022, in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 215 Chester Ave. Mayor Pro-tem Randy Morse called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following council members were present: Rick Brashear, Heather Ingvalson, Kenneth Page, Victor Phillips, Jack Howard, Cody Page, Randy Morse, and Mike Rhymer.

**Also, Present:** City Attorney Frank Siebert, City Administrator Dustin Whitworth, Police Chief Rick Walter, Police Captain Wayne Hampton, Fire Chief Shawn Jackson, Public Works Director Cletus Glueck and Park Director Skylar Cobb.

**Absent:** Mayor Norman Brant

**Prayer and Pledge:** Prayer led by Pastor Greg Shamboo. Pledge was led by Mayor Pro-tem Randy Morse.

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Jack Howard. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** from July 5<sup>th</sup> & July 12<sup>th</sup> 2022.

Motion to approve minutes from July 5<sup>th</sup> & July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022, made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson with the corrections discussed; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$29,927.65 was made by Councilman Victor Phillips; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

## **Public Forum:**

Mike Shuffit received abatement bill for 706 Second Street E. This property was posted just two weeks after the first abatement. The sign was gone within a day. Mike Shuffit never saw it. Mr. Shuffit paid the first abatement and did not think he should have to pay the second one because it was abated 9 days after the first one. City Administrator, Dustin will look at the notice records and will call Mike Shuffit at 979-9056.

**New Business:** None

**Mayor's Report:** Absent

**City Administrator, Dustin Whitworth:**

- Requested to use some of the \$67,000.00 remaining from Modot Funds for the jail remodeling and to change the budget to reflect this. Motion to create a new line item to use the Modot funds for jail remodeling was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson: Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion carried.
- Property purchase for detention basin from Sandy Estes for \$15,000. City will get the dirt and she will get the timber off the land. The city will have to pay the survey cost and closing costs. Motion was made by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson to procure survey and draw up contract for property purchase from Sandy Estes for \$15,000.00; seconded by Councilman Rick Brashear. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
- Rennie Phillips detention basin is still in the works.

**City Attorney, Frank Siebert:**

- Requested to continue Robyn Roberts 1411 Mary St. and Shannon Smith 508 Rear Oak St. for condemnation due to late notice serving. The Condemnation hearing for the Michael Frye is still scheduled for August 1, 2022. Motion made by Councilman Rick Brashear to continue the two addresses from Aug 1, 2022, to Sept. 19, 2022; seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer.

**Department Reports:**

**Randy Morse, Planning and Grants:**

- Asked Council to write down their visions for the City's future improvements. For example, a civic center is an improvement Mayor Pro-tem, Randy Morse has always wanted.

**Police Chief, Rick Walter: Report**

**Victor Phillips, Admin/ Finance:**

- All are invited to the next Chamber of Commerce meeting, Thursday July 21, at 4:30 pm at The Front Porch. The candidates from the Scott County Ballot will be there to meet and answer questions.

**Shawn Jackson, Fire Chief: Report**

**Kenny Page, Ordinances: None**

**Skylar Cobb, Park Director: Report**

- Good news today we received notice of award of the MDC Bow Range Grant. We will have the entire fiscal year to finish this project. The grant will reimburse up to \$26,000.00. Our labor will be part of the City's in-kind.
- Fall Ball starts August 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Outdoor Clinic is August 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Heather Ingvalson, Fire:**

- With elections coming she encouraged all to get to know the candidates and come out to vote.

**Cletus Glueck, Public Works Director:** Report

**Mike Rhymer, Police:** Nothing to report

**Rick Brashear, Park:** Nothing to report.

**Cody Page, Public Works:** Nothing to report

**Jack Howard, Cemetery:**

- Awarded Loyd Slinkard to paint the cemetery fence.

**Closed Session:**

Motion to go into closed session was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson.

**Roll Call Vote:** R. Morse-AYE; R. Brashear-AYE; J. Howard-Aye; K. Page-AYE; V. Phillips-AYE; C. Page-AYE; H. Ingvalson AYE; M. Rhymer-AYE.

AYES: 8 NAYS: 0 Motion Carried. Went into closed session at 7:24 pm.

**Re-Open Session:**

Motion to go into open session was made by Councilman Rick Brashear; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips.

**Roll Call Vote:** R. Morse-AYE; R. Brashear-AYE; J. Howard-Aye; K. Page-AYE; V. Phillips-AYE; C. Page-AYE; H. Ingvalson-AYE; M. Rhymer-AYE.

AYES: 8 NAYS: 0 Motion Carried. Went into open session at 7:37 pm.

**Property Bid:**

Main St and Sycamore property bid received from Blake and Lindsey Dirnberger for \$8,000.00. Cindi Brashear will work up a comparison on price for worth of this property. Motion made by Councilman Kenny Page to deny the bid of \$8,000; Seconded by Mike Rhymer. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Administrator, Dustin Whitworth asked Council what they want to do with the mobile home parks that have requested to build permanent homes to the footprint of a mobile home. Do we change the M-1 zoning ordinance to include this type of home? Or do we rezone to R-2 and give a deadline for all the mobile homes to be removed? Does this go to Board of Adjustment due to side yard setbacks or planning and zoning? Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson asked for Attorney Frank Siebert to have options ready to amend M-1 or to create a new zone R-3. Planning and Zoning should meet with the Council and City Administrator to discuss which way to proceed.

City Administrator, Dustin Whitworth asked Council what they wanted for the 96 old City Hall Chairs? Public Works Director, Cletus Glueck is starting his own church and expressed interest. Bids should be submitted.

Councilman Mike Rhymer, talked to Attorney Mary Boner and the Council should here the requests at the public forum but not give an answer at that time.

**New Hire:** Councilman Cody Page made the motion to hire Toby Haynes for the position of patrolman; seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson. All in favor; None opposed; motion carried.

No further business being presented, moved by Councilman Cody Page; Seconded by Councilwoman Heather Ingvalson to adjourn at 8:22 pm. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Attest:



Tina Blattel, Asst. City Clerk



Mayor Pro-tem, Randy Morse