



# CITY OF SCOTT CITY

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## SCOTT CITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Call to order:** A meeting of the Council was held on Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 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:, Jack Howard, Rick Brashear, Mike Rhymer, Kenny Page, Victor Phillips, and Heather Ingvalson.

**Absent:** Randy Morse and Cody Page

**Also, Present:** City Administrator Dustin Whitworth, Police Chief Rick Walter, Dispatch Supervisor Dan King, Fire Chief Shawn Jackson, Public Works Director Cletus Glueck, Parks Director Skylar Cobb, and City Clerk Christie Oswald

**Prayer and Pledge:** Prayer was led by Pastor Cletus Glueck. Pledge was led by Mayor Norman Brant

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve the November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, agenda was made by Council Member Kenny Page; Seconded by Council Member Mike Rhymer. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, meeting minutes was made by Council Member Kenny Page; Seconded by Council Member Victor Phillips. All in favor; None opposed. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills:** Motion to pay bills on November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022, in the amount of \$55,591.33 was made by Council Member Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Council Member Victor Phillips. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

**Public Forum:** N/A

### **New Business:**

1. Bill #1282 Ordinance 1291. An ordinance to repeal Article II: Merit system Police Department and Article III: Police Personnel Board in Chapter 200. Motion for first reading was made by Council Member Kenny Page. Motion for a second reading was made by Council Member Victor Phillips. Motion to accept Bill # 1282 Ordinance #1291 was made by Council Member Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Council Member Victor Phillips. Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-absent; Cody Page-absent; Rick Brashear-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
2. Bill #1283 Ordinance 1292. An ordinance to enact a new section in Title II, Public Health, Safety, and Welfare, Chapter 230. Motion for first reading was made by Council Member Rick Brashear. Motion for a second reading was made by Council Member Jack Howard. Motion to accept Bill # 1282 Ordinance #1291 was made by Council Member Victor Phillips; Seconded by Council Member Kenny Page. Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-absent; Cody Page-absent; Rick Brashear-

AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Mike Rhymer-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

3. Resolution #637. A resolution authorizing to seek funding through the Community Development Block Grant Program and authorizing the mayor to pursue activities in an attempt to secure funding. A motion was made to authorize intent to seek funding through the Community Development Block Grant by Council Member Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Council Member Rick Brashear. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
4. Report of findings of code violations at 521 E. Olive and request to issue a notice of condemnation. Code Enforcement Officer Paul Freed cited the property on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 14:00. Property meets 5 of 20 criteria for condemnation. Property is boarded up, missing back porch, soffit and drip edge is deteriorating, and siding has a hole in it. Pictures were presented to the council. Property appears to be vacant. A motion was made to start the condemnation process by Council Member Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Council Member Jack Howard. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.
5. Health Insurance for Employees; Received quotes from Arnold Insurance, HIC Agency, Coalter Insurance Group, Arch Brokerage, Missouri Consolidated Healthcare, MIRMA, and Mitchell Insurance. City Administrator Dustin Whitworth and City Clerk Christie Oswald met with carriers. They looked for what was best for employees and cost effective, then set coverage parameters. Coalter Insurance had the two cheapest policies. The cheapest did not cover specialty drugs. The other did cover specialty drugs, which they thought was important for employees. Current carrier Chap Arnold Insurance had an increase of 18%. City Administrator recommended Health EZ through Coalter Insurance. Cost will be the same to employees for self, child, spouse, and family coverage. Coalter Insurance will provide ways to cut costs as we move forward. A motion was made to accept Health EZ through Coalter Insurance by Council Member Heather Ingvalson; Seconded by Council Member Victor Phillips. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

**Mayor's Report:** Encourages everyone to be at the next Council Meeting when the City will be designated as a Purple Heart City. City Administrator Dustin Whitworth added that the signs have been purchased and the plaque has been received.

**Department Reports:**

**City Administrator, Dustin Whitworth:**

A mandatory employee meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022, in Council Chambers. Department Heads will introduce employees to the Council. Employees will be recognized for their service. Council will be able to address employees. City Administrator Dustin Whitworth will address employees. Refreshments will be served.

**Victor Phillips, Admin/Finance:** Thanked Public Works for their recent work on Main St. Requested an update on the Booster Stations. Public Works Director stated that the electric line was dug in today, water is already fed to it, and setup to transformers needed to get boosters to work. City Administrator Dustin Whitworth stated that he had thought they had the right voltage there. Cost will be a few thousand.

**Police Chief, Rick Walter:** See report.

**Emergency Management Director, Dan King:** Reviewed 911 calls. Computer have been ordered. New flooring looks fantastic. And a grant opens on Monday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022, that could be used for additional warning sirens. Grant is 100% funding.

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

**Shawn Jackson, Fire Chief:** See report.

**Heather Ingvalson, Fire:** Inquired about work being performed by Miller Piping. Residents are requesting straw in yards before winter to prevent runoff. Ameren is aware that the City is not happy with Miller Piping. Yards will be fixed. Next phase will start in one year.

**Skylar Cobb, Park Director:** See report. Christmas Parade will be Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. It is expected to be big.

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

**Cletus Glueck, Public Works Director:** See report.

**Cody Page, Public Works:** Not present.

**Jack Howard, Cemetery:** Nothing to report.

**Kenny Page, Ordinances:** Nothing to report.

**Randy Morse, Planning and Grants:** Not present.

Motion to go into closed meeting to discuss 1. Hiring New Employees; 2. Contract Negotiations. Motion to go into closed meeting per RSMO Section 610.021 (2016) was made by Council Member Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Jack Howard. Roll Call Vote: Randy Morse-absent; Cody Page-absent; Rick Brashear-AYE; Heather Ingvalson-AYE; Jack Howard-AYE; Kenny Page-AYE; Victor Phillips-AYE; and Mike Rhymer-AYE. All in favor; None opposed; Motion carried.

Closed session began at 7:32 p.m.

Returned to open session at 8:17 p.m.

No further business being presented, motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Council Member Kenny Page. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:21 pm.

**Next meeting will be Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.**

Attest:

  
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Christie Oswald, City Clerk

  
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Norman Brant, Mayor