

Minutes from June 14, 2021

Present: Mayor Semisch, Bruce Proctor, Regina Abbott, Darcie Gomez, and Geri Ebersohl. Steve Schuetz was absent. George Laidler represented Maintenance. Jennifer Braden was absent for Code Enforcement/Public officer, Steve Howard was present for the Police. Kyle Hrabe was present for the Pride committee. In the audience: Michael Bryant, Jessica Ohman, Jeff and Katie Elliott.

Mayor Semisch opened the meeting at 6:30.

Regina Abbott made a motion to approve the minutes from May 10, 2021, meeting with the addition of Jesse Rider being in the audience. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed 4-0. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the bills with the exception of adding the \$0.60 onto Wilson and Company's payment. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0.

**Community/Citizen recognition:**

None at this meeting

**Old Business:**

(a) The permit form for the Velocity poles was simplified and a signature page was improved. If the poles are not placed in the back yard signatures are to be received from the adjoining property owners within 150ft, some exceptions will apply. Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the permit. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0.

(b) Bruce Proctor made a motion to accept the bid from Central Sealing to do the additional streets with the proposal of \$26,564.30. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0.

**PRIDE COMMITTEE:**

(a) Kyle Hrabe asked for permission to have the beer garden on Mill Rd just inside the city limits. It will be fenced off with safety fencing and no one will be allowed to leave with drink in hand. Council just wanted to have Mr. Lovesee and neighbors to be notified and the okay be given but were fine with it otherwise.

**Agenda:**

(a) Jessica Ohman was here to discuss the Kansas Promise Scholarship from Butler County Community College. She passed out pamphlets with details.

(b) Jeff Elliott came and asked for an extension on getting his fence repairs done. He was aggravated he has to continue to come in and ask. Darcie Gomez made a motion for (2) 90-day extensions to have the fence repaired or come back to the council and resubmit a request. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 4-0.

**Order of Violations:**

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the Notice of Order. Bruce Proctor 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

There were no public hearings at this meeting

**Permit Approvals:**

There were no permits needing approval

**Staff Reports:**

**Maintenance Report:**

Maintenance informed council of the leak at the flush hydrant. Bruce Proctor asked about checking the meters and Butch said John Steele from KRWA came out but it started pouring rain so he will be back out soon. Well 2 had a bad probe and that was causing the air, it has been replaced and is working good now.

**Clerks Report:**

Bruce Proctor made a motion to approve the fence permit for Kay McClure as shown on picture. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 4-0. Council agreed to adjust the bill of Shelly Martin's to only have 1 week of sewer and trash on it and to have her pay the balance of that. Senior housing has a complaint of a leak from the roof. Butch said since the gutter was cleaned it has not leaked thru there and they will put that on their yearly maintenance list. Danny Jimenez is wanting to have a business enterprise permit but wanting to put both addresses on one permit. Darcie Gomez suggested waiving the fee for one of the addresses but having him get a permit for both. Darcie felt if he did the work, he needed to be approved council could work with him also. Council agreed. Council wants Jodie to get more bids for the property on South St. Gail Ball complains often about his trash on High St. not being picked up, he says it is where it has been by the garage for 40 years. He wants the refuse guys to look while on East St. picking up trash over to his property to see if they need to drive up the driveway and get his trash. Tony from T&D tire says it should be put at the end of the driveway like anyone else. Council agreed and Jodie is to let Gail know if he has trash to put it at the end of the drive.

**Courts Report:** Court went well this month. Bruce Proctor said Fleming will need to fill out his landlord permit before he gets a fence permit. Council discussed extensions and has agreed that Code Enforcement/Public Officer is allowed to give two (2) permits before citation is issued and once a citation is issued an extension will only be granted by the attorney if there is significant progress and only one (1) extension is allowed then. The attorney is to decide if there has been significant changes. As a city we are to be completely out of it. Geri said our attorney is asking for the information and if Jennifer says there is progress, then she does go off what she says. Darcie said the attorney needs to be notified what the council would like.

**Law Report:** Chief Howard said we are down 2 officers, 1 reserve and 1 part-time officer. The cars all have wiring issues and radar issues. The Chief gave a bid from Superior Emergency Response Vehicles to fix them for all 3 of the cars it would be approx..\$6,513.97. Regina Abbott made a motion to have the cars repaired one of a time with the next car going in when the other one is done. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Motion carried 4-0. The Chief discussed the Tahoe and is planning on looking into getting it up and running it should just need a thermostat and a few minor repairs but he will keep the council up to date.

**Code Enforcement/Public Officer report:** Jennifer was absent. Council looked at her report. The Mayor and Council want the first thing to be done after a meeting is to have the Notice of Order served or a reason as to why not.

**Mayor:**

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the audit. Mayor Semisch asked the council to look at the job descriptions for the Code enforcement/Public Officer and come next month ready to adopt one. Darcie Gomez 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 4-0. Bruce Proctor made a motion to go into executive session for 30 minutes regarding personnel. Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 4-0.

Executive session started at 8:25pm

Executive session ended at 8:55pm

Bruce Proctor made a motion to hire Michael Bryant as a Part-time officer at \$10 an hour and a contract stating he will remain with the City for 1 year after graduating class or he will reimburse the City the cost of all charges incurred while in class. Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0.

**Council:**

Nothing

**Open Forum:**

Nothing

Bruce Proctor made a motion to adjourn. Darcie Gomez 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.