



City Council Meeting
October 20, 2014
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting

Mayor Jason Ward opened the meeting at 7 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Kara Reed, Andy Gilner, Chris Donnelly, Bill Peak and Jim Truesdell. Also in attendance were city staff Nathan McCommon, Patty Hagg, Angela Bowlin and City Attorney Michael Kelly.

Councilman Peak made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Councilman Gilner. All Ayes, motion carried. Councilman Peak states the section under trash looked high this month. Mr. McCommon states recycling could be the factor. Carts will be delivered for recycling program before November 1st this year.

Open Agenda

No items presented for open agenda

Old Business

Update on Hwy 24/40 traffic signal improvements

Mr. McCommon states the medians are finished at the Stone Creek intersection and the sidewalks should be completed by the end of this week. November 4th the poles should be delivered.

New Business

Resolution 10-14-01

McCommon explained that the consideration today is the same as the resolution from June except that the term and end date changed from 10 to 20 years and 2036 instead of 2026.

- Mr. Truesdell asked to table this since he is unsure of funds to go to project. He feels the industrial park and county road one needs more assistance. Peak agreed to table discussion until a later date.
- Mayor Ward asks Mr. McCommon if he has any background with itemized list and have they run numbers on these projects. McCommon responded that this would be a 30 million bond issue for these roads over the next 20 years.
- Mr. Donnelly is not seeing how our current projects and Leavenworth County projects are interrelated.
- Mrs. Reed asks "What do we hope to accomplish by tabling discussion?"
- Mr. Donnelly adds not approving our plans will not affect their decision and could bring more problems for us if we don't approve.
- Mr. Peak is concerned why we didn't have representation and concerned funding is not being considered for Tonganoxie from Leavenworth County.
- Mr. Kelly states you have 2 weeks and it requires 2 publications to amend.

Donnelly made a motion to adopt as revised. Second by Reed. Three Ayes, Two nays by Peak and Truesdell.

Truesdell asked for a special joint meeting the 27th of October for to discuss a message to raise to the County Commission. Peak made a motion and Reed second, All Ayes.

Special meeting to commence October 27, 2014 at 7:00 pm.

Ordinance 1384

Mr. Kelly explained that standard traffic ordinances are updated to comply with new legislation. This has not been updated in 3 years. Police department has been going through it and Patty has also gone through it as well. First reading only.

Ordinance 1385

Mr. Kelly explained that the uniform public offense code is updated regularly to comply with new legislation and covers things like criminal offenses such as battery. First reading only.

Award agreement for auditing services

McCommon describe advertisement for services went out on September 5th, we received 5 responses and none of which were our current auditor. Used a selection committee to review responses and interview. Cost and responsiveness were significant factors of the decision factor when accepting Kramer and Associates for 3 year contract. Peak motioned to accept. Second by Donnelly. All Ayes

Salt Purchase

In the last council meeting there was discussion about alternate methods and cost comparison. Mr. McCommon states that many who use alternatives of salt use magnesium chloride or a mixture of both. Using an alternate method such as this would not require new equipment. The magnesium chloride is an effective product to allow you to use less product (salt). Also less corrosive to the environment and the roads, added McCommon. Mr. Peak motions for purchase of salt and magnesium chloride. Trusdell seconds. Mayor ward asks for report back after we put it down for the first time. All Ayes.

Farmers Market

Waiting until next meeting so Peak can do more research on information.

City Administrator Agenda

Delinquent property tax has been collected and posted.

- Building permits are doing better as well. The staff is around to cover that.
- Municipal Court revenues are down and the Water Park closed it's books in September. The season passes were down the past 2 years. Ended up \$23,000 less.
- Overtime is declining overall but watching public works since the new meter installation.
- Pay adjustments for municipal court and water park due for repairs. The computer server was also repaired. Utilities doing well. Trash payments will be in the rears. Double payment coming soon.
- KDOT has reimbursed us for Chieftain Trail once we pass to the state. Donnelly not concerned with amounts on update. McCommon will check numbers to make sure all are accurate.
- Concerns of fee off a ticket, \$10 goes to police equipment fund. Up to 5 convictions on ticket but it is off of court fee. Portion to state and portion to city per Kelly. The state sets that figure each year.

Mayor Agenda

- Christmas tree lighting November 22nd Saturday before Thanksgiving.

Park at former Police Department building

RCDC will present a drawing next meeting. Concrete has been purchased for tables and benches. Christmas tree will be in an open area and to detour vandals. An agreement is needed from Mr. Stevens to paint mural.

Waterproof the wall per Mr. Peak. A legal description is needed to give the wall portion back. Motion to transfer title to the wall and getting permission to have mural.

Peak 1st Gilner 2nd. Ward asked have we talked to the Stevens. What is the cost of B&G per Trusdell. No quote yet per McCommon. If you have an easement is just for use of the wall. All Ayes.

Executive session

Non elective personnel for a period of 5 minutes – Ward moved and Gilner 2nd all Ayes. CLOSED.

No Action Taken

Return to executive session to non elective personnel – Gilner moved and Reed 2nd all Ayes. CLOSED

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Back from session – Gilner 1st Reed 2nd all Ayes. Ward motions pay raise increase to 14 for fire chief. Fair adjustment for chief pay. Donnelly 1st and Gilner 2nd All Ayes.

Executive Session for private information Gilner 1st Peak 2nd all Ayes.

Back from session – Gilner 1st and Reed 2nd All Ayes

Bill Peak made a motion to adjourn at 8:50p.m., seconded by Andy Gilner. All Ayes, the motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Bowlin