

City Council Meeting
August 21, 2017
7:00 p.m. Regular Meeting



Mayor Ward opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance. Council members present were Jim Truesdell, Curtis Oroke, Chris Donnelly, and Kara Reed. Andy Gilner was absent. Also in attendance were City Manager George Brajkovic, Assistant City Manager Jamie Shockley, and City Attorney Shannon Marcano.

Approval of Minutes and Consent Agenda

- Mr. Oroke moved to approve the minutes from August 7, 2017. Ms. Reed seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Ms. Reed moved to approve the consent agenda for August 21, 2017. Mr. Donnelly seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Open Agenda

- Steve Skeet, President of the Tonganoxie Library Board, introduced their selected firm for library construction to the Council. The Library Board selected JE Dunn, who they've engaged to begin a feasibility study on several different sites.
- Monica Gee, 612 E. 4th Street, addressed the Council and updated on them for the plans for the sunflower stroll throughout town over Labor Day weekend.

New Business

Presentation of Lifesaving Award

- Mr. Holcom presented a lifesaving award to Joe Byrne.

Ordinance 1427: Granting a Special Use Permit for in-home daycare at 215 S. Whilshire Drive

- Mr. Donnelly moved to approve Ordinance 1427. Mr. Truesdell seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Presentation from Springsted Financial regarding potential refunding of bonded debt

- Tom Kaleko, the City's financial advisor with Springsted Financial, presented a refunding of debt opportunity for the Council to consider.
- The Council requested that city staff move forward with working with Springsted to draft documents to refund the proposed debt.

Consider approval to purchase rock salt for snow and ice control.

- Mr. Donnelly moved to authorize the Public Works director to purchase 150 tons of rock salt from Hutchinson Salt Company in an amount not to exceed \$7,365. Mr. Oroke seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Consider approval to purchase asphalt for maintenance on Smiley Road

- Mr. Donnelly moved to authorize the Public Works Director to purchase asphalt from Lawrence Asphalt at an amount not to exceed \$40,000, to be paid for out of the Special Highway fund. Mr. Truesdell seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Consider approval to purchase 2018 Dodge Charger

- Mr. Brajkovic explained that a police department vehicle was recently involved in an accident during a vehicle pursuit and was deemed a total loss by the City's insurance carrier. As a result, the City needs to replace the totaled vehicle.
- Ms. Reed moved to authorize the Chief of Police to purchase a 2018 Dodge Charger from Davis Moore Chrysler in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.

Consider amendment to Fire Equipment Reserve Fund due to receipt of Assistance to Firefighters Grant

- Chief Holcom explained to the council the requirements of the grant that was received and requested a budget amendment in the Fire Department Equipment Fund in order to spend the grant on necessary equipment.
- Mr. Donnelly moved to amend the Fire Equipment Reserve budget from \$252,200 to \$310,300. Mr. Truesdell seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Consider approval to purchase equipment with the Assistance to Firefighters Grant

- Mr. Donnelly moved to authorize the fire department to purchase authorized equipment under the AFG grant from Conrad Fire and Weis Fire Safety in an amount not to exceed \$58,100.

Consider approval to purchase 2017 Quick Attack/Wildland Firefighting Unit

- Mr. Holcom explained that the Council voted unanimously back in January to sell the fire engine and unanimously voted this past spring to authorize the Fire Department to go out for bids on a new Quick Attack vehicle. The bids were opened on August 2, and the Fire Department recommended purchasing the quick attack unit from the company with the low bid, Weis Fire, at a cost not to exceed

\$164,500. The purchase would be made out of the Fire Equipment Fund, which is earmarked solely for fire department equipment. Ms. Shockley added that the fund had adequate budget authority to make this purchase in 2017.

- Mr. Truesdell moved to authorize the Fire Department to accept the low bid and purchase a new quick attack unit from Weis Fire & Safety in an amount not to exceed \$164,500. Ms. Reed seconded. Mr. Oroke stated that he did not agree that this vehicle was a necessity for the department and he viewed it as wasteful spending that could be used instead for additional staff or infrastructure improvements. Ms. Shockley reminded the Council that the money in the Fire Department Equipment Fund could only be used for equipment for the fire department and could not be used for personnel costs or given to another department for infrastructure improvements. 3 ayes. 1 no. Motion carried 3-1.

City Manager Agenda

- Ms. Shockley provided the July financial report to the Council.

Mayor Agenda

- Mr. Donnelly moved to appoint Jake Dale and Patti Gabel to the Planning Commission for a term to expire in 2019. Ms. Reed seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Mr. Donnelly moved to appoint John Morgan, Steve Gumm, and Zack Stoltenberg to the Planning Commission for a term to expire in 2020. Ms. Reed seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Mr. Truesdell moved to enter into executive session for the purposes of discussing data relating to the financial affairs or trade secrets of a corporation, pursuant to the economic development exception, KSA 75-4319b for a period of 20 minutes to include the governing body, city attorney, city manager, and assistant city manager. Mr. Donnelly seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.
- Mr. Donnelly moved to return from executive session after 20 minutes and make a note that no action was taken. All ayes. Motion carried.

Mr. Donnelly moved to adjourn. Ms. Reed seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.