

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – April 25, 2022

The Bonner Springs City Council met in Workshop session at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Council President Stephens, Shannon, Long, Thompson, Wood, Gurley, Kipp, and Reeves. Mayor Harrington was absent.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk and Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Matt Zayas, City Manager's Assistant; Megan Gilliland, Economic Development Coordinator; Justine Spease, Recreation Coordinator; Jack Granath, Library Director; Billy Naff, Police Chief and Kendra Anthony, Animal Control Officer

1. **Library 2021 Review** – the Library Director presented a review of 2021 and answered questions.
2. **Recreation 2021 Review** – the Recreation Coordinator presented a review of 2021 and answered questions.
3. **Administrative 2021 Review** – the Finance Director presented a review of 2021 and answered questions.
4. **Vehicle Pursuit Policy Review** – The Police Chief reviewed the current vehicle pursuit policy and answered questions.

The workshop session adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:35 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Council President Stephens, Shannon, Long, Thompson, Wood, Gurley, Kipp, and Reeves. Mayor Harrington was absent.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk and Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Matt Zayas, City Manager's Assistant; Megan Gilliland, Economic Development Coordinator; Matt Beets, Deputy Public Works Director; Jack Granath, Library Director; Billy Naff, Police Chief and Kendra Anthony, Animal Control Officer

The Council President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and asked Pastor Flournoy, Church of the Living God, to lead the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS

1. The Council President presented a proclamation to the Economic Development Coordinator, Megan Gilliland, recognizing National Travel and Tourism Week.
2. The Council President presented a proclamation to members of Bonner Beautiful recognizing Arbor Day.

Citizen Concerns about Items Not on Today's Agenda – None Presented

CONSENT AGENDA – The Council President read the Consent Agenda Items and asked the staff, audience or City Council if they wished to remove an item for separate consideration. No items were removed.

1. Minutes of the April 11, 2022 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. Massage therapy and Business Establishment License Renewal – Yang Lu
4. Appointments to Boards and Commissions
5. 1st Quarter 2022 Financial Reports

Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS – None Presented.

NEW BUSINESS –

1. **2022 Annual Mowing Services – Award Bid** – Gurley moved and Thompson seconded to award the bid for the 2022 Annual Mowing Services to Lawn Force. Unanimous approval.
2. **2022 Street Resurfacing Project – Award Bid**– Wood moved and Shannon seconded to award the bid for the 2022 Street Resurfacing Project to McAnany Construction in the amount of \$643,573.79. Unanimous approval, Thompson abstained.
3. **Executive Session** - Gurley moved and Shannon seconded to go into executive session to discuss real estate acquisition pursuant to the exception for preliminary discussions relating to the acquisition of real property, K.S.A.75-4319(b)(6). The open meeting will resume in the Council Chamber at 8:10 p.m. Unanimous approval.

-Gurley moved and Shannon seconded to resume the open meeting with no action taken at 8:11 p.m. Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Item No. 1: City Manager's Report:

- Asked everyone to complete the citizen survey and community housing survey for the City.
- Congratulated Jerry Wisthoff on achieving his KDHE Operator Class II Water certification last week.
- Stated he was elected to the Midwest Public Risk board of directors for Kansas.

Item No. 2: City Council Items

- Wood stated the department reports were wonderful.
- Gurley asked if the playground surface being replaced at Lion's Park is at the end of its life or if it was damaged. She has received questions about Starbucks coming into the old Burger King building; she noticed site work has begun.
- Reeves stated Spring Creek from Metropolitan to Morse needs repair. He provided pictures of the areas he feels need repair. Reeves stated the lawn around City Hall and the Police Station doesn't look as nice as some he has seen in Johnson County and he is disappointed that the contractor didn't remove the dirt and replace it with other dirt. He asked about code enforcement for some specific properties in town.
- Stephens announced the City Band concerts begin June 9th, please send jokes. The Kiwanis club is holding their annual pancake breakfast on Saturday May, 7th from 7-11am at the Edwardsville Community Center. The old Thriftway building is still in disrepair, is the City at a point where removal can be forced? Is it time to look at raising the councilmembers' pay to make sure people can serve and participate without experiencing a financial strain?

Item No. 3: Mayor's Report

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

_____ Christina Brake, City Clerk