

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – December 19, 2022

The Bonner Springs City Council met in Workshop session at 7:00 p.m.

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

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Frank Abart, Public Works Director; Chris Jennings, Fire/EMS Chief; Chris Nicholson, Police Department Major and Justine Spease, Recreation Manager

1. The City Manager reviewed the proposed revamped pay scale for City employees.

The Workshop session adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

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The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and Pastor Flournoy, Bonner Springs Church of the Living God, led the invocation.

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

CONSENT AGENDA – The Mayor 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 November 28, 2022 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. Write off Uncollected Accounts
4. Resolution to Write off Uncollected Accounts
5. License Renewals – Cereal Malt Beverage
6. 2023 Unified Government Funding Extension for Senior Center Services
7. North Park Lake Cooperator Fishing Access Agreement

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

OLD BUSINESS – None Presented.

NEW BUSINESS –

1. **Public Hearing for 2022 Budget Amendments** – Shannon moved and Gurley seconded to open a public hearing for the 2022 Budget amendments beginning at 7:36 p.m. Unanimous approval. Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to close the public hearing for the 2022 Budget amendments beginning at 7:39 p.m. Unanimous approval.
2. **Approve 2022 Budget Amendments** – Shannon moved and Reeves seconded to approve the 2022 Budget Amendments. Unanimous approval.
3. **Ordinance amending City Code Chapter XVI Utilities, Article 1, Section 120- Penalty for Delinquent Payment** – Gurley moved and Thompson seconded to adopt an ordinance amending City Code Chapter XVI Utilities, Article 1- General Provisions & Utility Administration, Section 12- Penalty for Delinquent Payment as presented. Unanimous approval.

4. **Salary Ordinance** – Stephens moved and Shannon seconded to adopt the 2023 Salary Ordinance to fix a range of salaries for City employees. Unanimous approval.
5. **Resolution to Approve City Fee Updates for 2023** – Stephens moved and Reeves seconded to approve a resolution amending the City fee schedule as proposed with the exception that the utility penalty fee shall increase to 7.5% effective January 1, 2023. The motion carried on a vote of six to one with Shannon dissenting.
6. **Resolution Setting Hearing for 112-120 Oak Street** – Wood moved and Thompson seconded to adopt a resolution setting a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on February 13, 2023 to determine why the structure at 112-120 Oak Street should not be condemned and ordered repaired or demolished. Unanimous approval.
7. **K7 & Canaan Traffic Lights – Repair Contract Approval** – Stephens moved and Shannon seconded to approve the contract with Total Electric to complete repair of the traffic control signals at the K7 & Canaan intersection for the amount of \$169,439. Unanimous approval.
8. **Intergovernmental Local Agreement – Eastern Kansas Multi-County Task Force** – Shannon moved and Wood seconded to authorize the City Manager to sign the Eastern Kansas Multi-County Task Force Interlocal Agreement. Unanimous approval.
9. **Kansas City Kansas Community College Affiliation Agreement** – Wood moved and Shannon seconded to authorize the City Manager to sign an agreement with KCK Community College for an EMS training partnership. Unanimous approval.
10. **Fire-EMS Records Management Software Contract** – Shannon moved and Wood seconded to authorize the City Manager to sign a contract with First Due as the hosting provider of a Fire/EMS records management system as presented. Unanimous approval.
11. **Award Bid – Cardiac Monitor** – Gurley moved and Reeves seconded to award the bid for the purchase of one (1) Phillips Tempus Cardiac Monitor System to Ferno for the total amount not to exceed \$39,355.20. Unanimous approval.
12. **Acceptance of Councilmember Resignation** – Kipp moved and Gurley seconded accept the resignation of Mike Thompson effective after adjournment of the December 19, 2022 City Council meeting. The motion carried on a vote of four to three with Shannon, Stephens and Reeves dissenting.
13. **Appointment of New Councilmember to Vacant Ward I Position** – Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to approve the appointment of Mark McMahan to the vacant Councilmember Ward I position with term ending January 2024. Unanimous approval.
14. **Executive Session to Discuss Non-Elected Personnel Matters Exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b) (1)** – Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel matters, exception K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). The open meeting will resume in the Council Chambers at 9:30 p.m. Unanimous approval.
Stephens moved and Reeves seconded to resume the open meeting with no action taken at 9:30 p.m.

REPORTS

Item No. 1: City Manager's Report:

- The City attained Bronze level with the Community for All Ages program. A representative from MARC will be at the next Council meeting to recognize the award.
- Utility payment s can now be made by phone.
- The Historic Tax Credit Sale bid opening was today, Staff will present to the Council at the next meeting to award the bid.

- City offices will be closed on Monday, December 26th and Monday January 2nd to observe the holidays.

Item No. 2: City Council Items

- Stephens wished everyone a Merry Christmas and thanked Staff for a great year.
- Kipp stated he appreciates the trust City Staff has earned and wished Mike Thompson Good Luck as he begins his term as Representative.
- Gurley asked if action can be taken by Staff regarding the building at Nettleton and Metropolitan.
- Wood thanked Staff for their work and stated Bonner Springs is one of the finest small cities in Kansas.
- Shannon stated he loves it here, wished everyone a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and thanks for everything.
- Thompson thanked everyone.

Item No. 3: Mayor's Report

- The Mayor appreciates Mike Thompson's future hard work and will pray for patience for him.
- The Christmas Parade and lighting ceremony were better attended than ever, the Mayor thanked staff for their work.
- The Mayor drove across Kansas recently in the snow and reaffirmed his belief that Bonner is best.
- The staff party was well received. He wished everyone happiness and safety and a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

The meeting adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

_____ Christina Brake, City Clerk