

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – September 25, 2023

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Harrington, Councilmembers Shannon, Long, McMahan, Wood, Gurley, Kipp, Stephens and Reeves.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Billy Naff, Police Chief, Tim Richards, Fire Chief; and Mark Lee, Community Development Director

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and Pastor Flournoy led the invocation.

PRESENTATION –

1. Kansas Commission on Veteran Affairs Presentation of Service Recognition for Jerry Jarrett Presented to Melva Jarrett – Retired Brigadier General Turner and Retired Lieutenant Colonel Rob Leicht honored Sergeant Jerry Jarrett for his service during the Vietnam War. Representative Mike Thompson presented her new certificates for each of Sergeant Jarrett’s Army commendations as well as an updated DD214 reflecting his Silver Star award. Representative Chris Croft, Representative Ron Ellis, Retired Colonel Mike Kelly and representatives from VFW Post 6401 attended the presentation honoring Sergeant Jarrett.

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 September 11, 2023 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. Public Use Request – Block Party Request – S. Nettleton Avenue from Kindred Ave. to Second Street.
4. Appointments to Boards and Commissions

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

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

1. **Ordinance to Adopt the Comprehensive Plan Update – Vision 2025 and Beyond – BSZO-01-23** – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to adopt an ordinance approving the updated Comprehensive Plan, “Vision 2025 and Beyond”. Unanimous approval. Ordinance No. 2554
2. **Resolution Authorizing the Lease Purchase Agreement for Aerial Truck** – Gurley moved and Wood seconded to adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of the Master Equipment Lease Purchase Agreement for the Fire Department Aerial Truck between Union Bank and Trust Company and the City of Bonner Springs and Authorizing Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager, to Sign the Lease Agreement. Unanimous approval.
3. **Ordinance Amending Pay Plan** – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to adopt an ordinance amending the City Pay Plan Unanimous approval. Ordinance No. 2555
4. **Executive Session for Consultation with an Attorney, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2)** – Reeves moved and Gurley seconded to go into executive session pursuant to exception for consultation with an attorney, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(2). The open meeting will resume in the Council Chamber at 8:45 p.m.

Gurley moved and Shannon seconded to resume the open meeting with no action taken at 8: 47 p.m.

REPORTS

Item No. 1: City Manager's Report –

- The Center Park survey is available on line, the City Manager encouraged everyone to provide feedback about what they would like to see at Center Park.
- The Homecoming Parade is Friday, September 29, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Item No. 2: City Council Items

- McMahan commended the people involved with the Farmer's Market for their commitment. The vaccination clinic was very busy and a lot was going on despite the weather.
- Gurley asked about a sign at the Sherwin Williams store location and thanked the Library staff, the League of Women Voters and the NAACP for hosting the candidate forum and encouraged everyone to go out to Facebook and listen to the candidate recordings.

Item No. 3: Mayor's Report

- The Mayor has received compliments recently on our vibrant downtown and Farmer's Market.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

_____ Christina Brake, City Clerk