

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – November 13, 2023

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

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

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director; Frank Abart, Public Works Director; Billy Naff, Police Chief; Tim Richards, Fire Chief; Megan Gilliland, Economic Development Coordinator; Justine Spease, Recreation Manager and Nathan Brungardt, Recreation Coordinator

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

PRESENTATION –

1. Proclamation – The Mayor presented a proclamation to the City Manager recognizing the City of Bonner Springs' 125 Years.

Citizen Concerns about Items Not on Today's Agenda –

- Terrilois Mashburn, Leavenworth County Register of Deeds, provided information about title theft and the property fraud alert system and invited the councilmembers to the Leavenworth County Register of Deeds ribbon cutting.
- Pastor David Flournoy, Church of the Living God, spoke about Bonner Builders through the Ministerial Alliance and asked for volunteers to help citizens of Bonner Springs.
- Connie Swofford, 901 S. 134th St, is concerned that one of her neighbor's driveway has too many vehicles in it, including boats and a trailer and is requesting the Council prohibit outdoor storage of recreational vehicles.

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 October 23, 2023 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. Tiblow Transit Title VI Policy Approval
4. Public Use Request – Holiday Parade and Mayor's Tree Lighting

Wood moved and Shannon seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous approval. Stephens abstained from check #152288.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS –

1. **Water Meter Upgrade Status** – The Public Works Director introduced Don Hardin, Innovative Utility Solutions, who attended the meeting via Zoom and provided an update on the new meter heads.
2. **Change Order for Community Center Window Project** – Stephens moved and Reeves seconded to accept the change order for the additional window replacement in the lower level of the Community Center from Timekey Glazing for \$29,276. Unanimous approval.
3. **Parks and Recreation Master Plan - Center Park Amendment** – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to accept the Center Park Amendment as presented. Unanimous approval.
4. **Kansas Housing Resources Corporation Agreement for 120 Oak MIH-ARPA Funds** – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to approve an agreement with Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC) for MIH-ARPA Funds. Unanimous approval.

5. **Resolution to Transfer Firefighters' Benefits from KPERS to KP&F** – Kipp moved and Stephens seconded to adopt a resolution to enroll all eligible current and future Firefighters employed by the City of Bonner Springs in the Kansas Police and Fire Retirement System effective January 1, 2024. Unanimous approval. Assigned Resolution No. 2023-19.
6. **Ordinance to Allow Operation of an All-Terrain Vehicle, Micro Utility Truck, Low-Speed Vehicle, Golf Cart, or Work-Site Utility Vehicles** – Shannon moved and Stephens seconded to adopt an ordinance to allow the operation of all-terrain vehicles, micro-utility trucks, low-speed vehicles, golf carts, or work-site utility vehicles on certain City streets. The motion passed with Wood dissenting. Assigned Ordinance No. 2559.
7. **Agreement with the Center for Public Safety Management** – Stephens moved and Shannon seconded to approve an agreement with the Center for Public Safety Management, LLC (CPSM) for a Comprehensive Analysis of Police Services and authorize the Police Chief to execute the agreement. Unanimous approval.

REPORTS

Item No. 1: City Manager's Report –

- The City has one open police officer position and is in the final stages of hiring full-time firefighter/paramedic/EMTs.
- The School Resource Officer (SRO) vehicle and uniform have been updated to showcase the school district.
- Two high school interns will join City staff in January to help with social media
- Plan KCK is a comprehensive plan being developed for Kansas City, KS that will also impact the County.

Item No. 2: City Council Items

Shannon asked for an update on the schedule of repairs on Metropolitan.

McMahan stated everyone has been involved with the Police department has been very professional.

McMahan believes the new multi-family housing will be inhabited by young professionals and believes installing Center Park and updates to the Community Center are well-timed and moving the City in the right direction.

Wood is happy Camp Great Adventure was awarded another grant.

Kipp asked someone to notify KDOT of potholes forming on K-32.

Reeves stated there is a traffic sign missing on Sheidley Ave.

Item No. 3: Mayor's Report

- Thursday at the Library at 6 pm, The Unified Residents of Wyandotte County is having a listening tour. Please register to attend.
- Cupcakes and cake are available to celebrate the City's 125th Birthday.
- Congratulations to the Police and Fire Departments for the exemplary manner of which they provide services
- There is a spot on Nettleton by the drainage culverts that may need attention.
- Last week the City was notified by the County Administrator that Bonner Springs residents may have to pay for future use of the Wyandotte County Household Hazardous Waste site and the Wyandotte County Recycling Center. City Staff is following up on the information.
- Sandstone apartments are progressing as planned.
- On November 13, 1988, Jared Harrington was born and on November 13, 2023, his son was born! Everyone is doing well.
- Attended the Midwest Public Risk conference and encourages the conference for continuing education opportunities.
- Congratulations to the Mayor elect and councilmembers

The meeting adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

