



City of Bonner Springs

KANSAS

City Council Meeting Minutes
May 13, 2024

WORKSHOP - 6:30 P.M.

Economic Incentive Study & Review - Carolyn Chrisman, Chrisman Consulting, presented information about the various financial incentives available to offer developers to attract growth. The presentation was for information purposes only. No action was taken by the City Council.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30 P.M.

1. **Proclamation - National EMS Week** - The Mayor presented a proclamation to Deputy Chief Chris Jennings, EMS Service Director; Ally Briggs, Medical Director, and members of the Bonner Springs Fire-EMS department recognizing National EMS Week.
2. **Proclamation - National Tennis Month** - The Mayor presented a proclamation to Tatum Bartels, Recreation Coordinator, recognizing National Tennis Month.

CITIZEN CONCERNS ABOUT ITEMS NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA.

Alan Tweddle, Casa Grande, AZ, attended two USD204 student presentations. He stated he was very impressed with Bonner Springs' students and felt the performances he watched were a good use of kids' talents.

Teresa Bolton, 227 Armour, First Baptist Church of Bonner Springs Trustee, requested her current and future code violation fines be waived. She received the notice of violation after the ten-day appeal period had already passed. She has been in contact with the code enforcement officer and has plans in place and has taken steps to take care of the repairs and maintain the church. Waiving fees would allow her to use that money for repairs. The church is 127 years old, and maintaining the property is done solely by Ms. Bolton as there are currently no active church members. Shannon asked for clarification on the violations and her priorities in getting items repaired. Stephens stated the City Council cannot take action tonight, but the request can be placed on the May 28th City Council meeting agenda and the fine payment can be delayed until after a decision is made. McMahan suggested Ms. Bolton contact him to apply for the Bonner Builders program.

CONSENT AGENDA The City Council will consider consent agenda items by one motion with no discussion unless the City Council, staff or the audience requests removal of an item from the consent agenda. The City Council will consider an item removed from the consent agenda as the next item after their action on the consent agenda.

Reeves moved and Wood seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Unanimous approval.

1. Minutes of the April 24, 2024 City Council meeting.
2. Claims for City Operation

OLD BUSINESS - None presented.

NEW BUSINESS -

1. **Presentation and Acceptance of the 2023 Audit** - Wood moved and Shannon seconded to accept the 2023 Audit. Unanimous approval.
2. **Resolution to Set Public Hearing for The 120 on Oak Apartments Reinvestment Housing Incentive District** - Shannon moved and Reeves seconded to adopt a resolution to set a public hearing for June 17th at 7:30 p.m. to establish the RHID to be known as The 120 on Oak Apartments Reinvestment Housing Incentive District. Unanimous approval.
3. **Acceptance of Final Plat - FP-02-24 - Sandstone Townhomes** - Gurley moved and Blanks seconded to accept the dedication of easements and right-of-way as shown on the final plat of Sandstone Townhomes.
4. **Final Payment - Demolition and Removal of 820 N. Nettleton and 13130 Metropolitan Ave –**
 - a. Shannon moved and Blanks seconded to approve payment to Remco for the demolition and removal of condemned structures at Nettleton and Metropolitan, in the amount of \$34,110.
 - b. Shannon withdrew his motion and Blanks withdrew her second.
 - c. Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to table the item until the May 28, 2204, City Council meeting. The motion failed five to four with the Mayor casting the tie-breaking vote.
 - d. Gurley moved and Blanks seconded to approve payment to Remco for demolition and removal of condemned structures at Nettleton and Metropolitan, in the amount of \$34,110. The motion passed 7-2 with Reeves and Shannon dissenting.
5. **Purchase of a new Towmaster trailer** - Reeves moved and McMahan seconded to approve the purchase of a new Towmaster trailer from K.C. Bobcat for \$36,557.80. Unanimous approval.
6. **Ordinance to Amend the Local Traffic Regulations to Restrict Parking on Certain Streets.** - Gurley moved and Shannon seconded to adopt an ordinance to amend the City of Bonner Springs Local Traffic Control Regulations Code Section 14-201 to add parking restrictions as amended. Unanimous approval.
7. **Resolution to Establish a Standard Order of Business at Council Meetings** - Shannon moved and Woods seconded to adopt a resolution establishing a standard order of business at City Council meetings as presented.

REPORTS

1. City Manager's Report

The City Manager stated it is prudent to create a policy for how people can offer an invocation. The Bonner Springs Aquatic Center Pool opens May 25th. The 138th Street project will bid June 1st. The actual construction start date is up in the air. The State has suggested options to minimize the impact of the construction. The city received additional funding from MARC in the amount of more than half-million dollars. The original grant was \$3.1 million; in the past nine months, the city received an additional \$250,000 plus the latest increase of \$500,000. The contractor for the water plant presented a good review of the status of the project. It is posted on the city website. Memorial Day Service will be May 27th at 10:00 a.m. at the Soldiers' Circle.

2. City Council Items

- McMahan suggested staff place a waterless toilet at the cemetery. The fire hydrant 116 Cypress needs painting. The city manager stated there is a color code for the hydrants, so residents should not paint them. The water department is working on a preventative maintenance program. Wood was impressed with how much goes on in the city for young people. She asked everyone to spread the word.
- Gurley asked about the K-7 reclassification report - the city manager stated the Mid-America Regional Council (MARC) reclassification program happens every couple of years. The original K-7 corridor idea was originally an elevated highway from Olathe to

Leavenworth. MARC and the City have been working with KDOT to find ways to improve the traffic flow without elevating the road. The classification is meant to restart that conversation. Gurley announced that May 30th is the kickoff rehearsal for the City Band.

- Blanks stated last week was City Clerk week and thanked the city clerk for all the hats she wears. The Farmers' Market pavilion is coming along well. Is there a deadline yet? Thanked Mark & Cassandra for attending the Feed His Lambs golf tournament. Thanked Captain Krauze for coordinating the golf tournament. Blanks asked if the City Council could review caterers' license fees. She thanked the council for being able to have open discussions. Long commended the Rotary Club for a spectacular fundraising event. The Farmers' Market is up and running every weekend 8-12.
- Reeves stated he understands people will be able to park under the pavilion when it is not in use. He asked staff Consider finding more parking spaces around town. thanked the city Clerk and Matt Beets for answering questions.

3. **Mayor's Report**

The Mayor introduced himself to Wendy Bowman, Vaughn Trent Director, and encouraged people to stop and say hi. He reminded everyone to return their Statements of Substantial Interest.

ADJOURNMENT - Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to adjourn the City Council meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Christina Brake, City Clerk