

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

December 8th, 2017

The Board of Aldermen met in Regular Session with Mayor Todd Williams at City Hall, 206 North 16th Street, on Friday, December 8th, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Williams, Ishmael, Brejnik, Mann, Johns

Absent: None

Others Present: Jonne Slemmons, Nita Schroff, Jacob Taylor, Jerry Collins, George Hulet, Chris Cowell, Marvin Casady, Ted Clemmons, Paul Gard, Kenny Robertson, Randy Jennings and Phil Conger.

Meeting Called To Order Mayor Todd Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to approve or amend the agenda.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Brejnik to approve the agenda and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Approve Bills Mayor Todd Williams asked if there were any questions on bills presented for payment and if not, a motion to approve the bills.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Brejnik to approve the bills as presented and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Mann - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

ANR Pipeline	15,280.00	Harrison Co Advisor	104.00
Baker & Taylor	510.23	Harrison Co Sheriff	40.00
Barco Municipal	254.48	Harrison Co Treasurer	6,725.00
Bethany Building Center	390.84	Independent Salt Co	1,578.75
Bethany Printing Co.	1,479.20	John Deere Financial	383.60
Carquest	4,178.36	K-5 Window Cleaning	45.00
Carter-Waters LLC	1,771.00	KC Bobcat	535.32
Cintas Inc.	198.42	Kriz Davis Co.	796.68
City of Bethany	13,359.30	Mail Finance Inc.	288.00
Cole Hardware	4.50	Matheson Tri-Gas	137.91
Commerce Bank	1,226.12	Midwest Public Risk	18,495.76
Community Whlse Tire	173.34	Miscellaneous	980.20
Deana Hudlemeyer	80.00	MO Joint Mun Elect	241,251.19
Ed M. Feld Equip Co.	1,302.20	MO One Call	35.10
Elecsys International	24.00	MO Rural Water	843.23
Fischer Concrete	3,027.25	MO Sales Use Tax	13,619.49
Fonseca, Brian	375.00	Nevco Inc.	2,834.79
Game Time Athletics	4,600.00	Norris Quarries LLC	266.88
Great NW Day	75.00	O'Reilly Automotive	280.31
GRM Networks	1,238.34	Paving Maintenance	1,425.00

Petty Cash	68.75	Sanders Electric	15.10
Porter Trash	12,647.65	Shelby Printing	100.73
Postmaster	626.80	Verizon Wireless	243.96
PowerPlan	192.88	Wal-Mart	1,225.00
Prinsco	425.00	Snyder & Associates	20,083.19
R/S Electric	1,801.90	Gilmore Bell STIF	487.50
Remmers Design	52.00		
Richoh USA	163.87		

Total \$ 378,373.12

Payroll
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Jonne D Slemons	1,639.40	Jacob R Taylor	1,036.92
Trevor A Place	939.59	Cole J Ellis	84.78
Jacob Denum	1,037.18	Ann Kohler	447.66
Jaunita E Schroff	1,176.83	Jesse M Sanders	697.16
Trayce D Warner	1,153.14	Leslie S Groom	896.21
Brian S Groom	1,189.33	Bryan E Holloway	1,119.08
Aaron S Parkhurst	638.77	Andrew J Alborn	897.59
Michelle L Schroff	1,004.06	Elizabeth Whitney	104.92
John W Findley	792.50	Michael R Lykins	851.81
Janee A Lehleitner	518.97	Cathy M Johnson	996.83
Judith A Hinkle	121.19	Linda L Sanders	230.04
Kenneth D Robertson	847.27	Brian J Willis	880.04
Ted G Clemmons	1,026.30	Toby J Puffer	800.93
Randy W Jennings	856.04	Robert W Russell	931.68
Charlie D Bennett	856.33	Brian K Jennings	823.30
Lela A Stottlemeyer	307.90	Paul L Gard	1,044.99
Johnathan M Brown	863.53	Hailey J Carter	122.24
Gavin R Johns	72.41	Maggie Jennings	133.27
Cole J Ellis	84.78		

Total \$27,143.19

Approve Minutes of November 20, 2017 Mayor Todd Williams called for approval or correction of the Regular Minutes of November 20, 2017.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the minutes of November 20, 2017 and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Public Input Mayor Todd Williams asked if there was any public input.

No public input at this time.

Personnel Manual Jacob Taylor, Assistant Administrator, explained to Council he would like to extend the period to use vacation time to July 1, 2018 for the employees that haven't had time to take their vacation. There will be a one-time payout for the employees that have maxed out on sick leave, at the end of

the current fiscal year. Payout for employees that quit or retire will only get 80 hours, max. Alderman Lance Johns asked if the employee is still accruing vacation when they are on vacation. Jacob Taylor replied yes.

Bill #1279
Personnel Policy
Manual

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE #1147 OF THE CITY OF BETHANY, MISSOURI, AND ALL OTHER ORDINANCES INCONSISTENT THEREWITH, AND UPDATING THE PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL OF THE CITY OF BETHANY, MISSOURI, was read by title only by Mayor Todd Williams for the first reading.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the first reading of Bill #1279 and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams read Bill #1279 by title for the second and final reading.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Brejnik to approve the second and final reading of Bill #1279 and to adopt Ordinance #1279 and seconded by Alderman Gene Ishmael.

Miles – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

People Service
Contract

Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council Bill #1280 was changing the fiscal year with PeopleService Contract to start the City of Bethany fiscal year January to December. George Hulet, PeopleService told Council he has taken a promotion with PeopleService. George will be Steve Guthrie's Assistant and Chris Cowell will take George Hulet's job. Chris Cowell has worked for the City of Bethany for 15 years and has worked with PeopleService since 2015.

Bill #1280 People
Service Contract
Fiscal Year
Change

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BETHANY, MISSOURI AND PEOPLESERVICE, INC., A NEBRASKA CORPORATION, DATED MAY 22, 2015 FOR THE MANAGEMENT, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE CITY'S WATER AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEMS, SUCH AMENDMENT ADDRESSING THE CHANGE OF THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR TO JANUARY 1 – DECEMBER 31, was read by title only by Mayor Todd Williams for the first reading.

Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to approve the first reading of Bill #1280 and seconded by Alderman Lance Johns.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns - Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams read Bill #1280 by title for the second and final reading.

Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to approve the second and final reading of Bill #1280 and to adopt Ordinance #1280 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

- Electric Rates Administrator Jonne Slemons presented the two Ordinances that were given to the Council about six months ago pertaining to lowering the electric rates. The Council was concerned that if they lower the rates, the Electric Department may not have the funds to complete future projects. Alderman Gene Ishmael replied the Council addressed this issue earlier and the decision was to wait a year and reevaluate the situation. Kenny Robertson, Electric Superintendent, told Council Parks & Recreation has decided not to redo Linch Ballfield this year and he has all the materials to complete 39th Street and 30th Street. The boring has not been allowed for at this time.
- Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to take option A which is lower the electric rates to \$0.0125 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.
- After further talking the Council has decided to table the electric rates until Administrator Jonne Slemons gets an amount of the decreased revenue. Alderman Gene Ishmael would like to know the average deduction for the residents with the lower deduction.
- Administrator & Department Reports Administrator Jonne Slemons received four bid proposals on the dam enhancement. The due date was December 6, 2017. The bids have not been thoroughly reviewed; that information will be available at the next meeting.
- Gas Prices Administrator Jonne Slemons has locked in 30% of our expected gas usage at the price of \$2.9895 for 2021 and \$2.9949 for 2022.
- Purple Wave Administrator Jonne Slemons told Council the dump trucks plow, spreader and old pickup all sold on the Purple Wave internet site.
- Inventory Administrator Jonne Slemons said Jacob Taylor, Assistant Administrator, is in the process of redoing the monthly inventory on the materials, tools, vehicles and buildings. Jacob hopes to have the inventory completed in six months.
- Solar Panels Several people received a post card in the mail inviting them to a meeting at Toot-Toot to discuss lowering your utility bill 40%. The company that sponsored this meeting is soliciting business with a high sales pitch on selling solar panels to customers. The Net Metering law is to sell excess electricity they generate to their "Electric Company".
- Council Reports & Comments Alderman Gene Ishmael informed Administrator Jonne Slemons, Vandivert Street has not been cracked sealed. Administrator Jonne Slemons replied that it is on the list to get done.
- Alderman Gene Ishmael would like to have a street sign placed on 30th Street and Mayor Todd Williams would like to have a no outlet sign also.
- Mayor's Comments & Appointments Mayor has no appointments or comments at this time.
- Closed Session Personnel Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to go into Closed Session for personnel at 6:05 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Open Session Motion made by Alderman Gene Ishmael to go into Open session at 6:22 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Mann.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Budget Administrator Jonne Slemmons told Council the 2018 budget was down \$1.2 million and it is not due from short year, it is due to expenses being down.

Sensus Host The Sensus host system was hacked by the Chinese in 2016. Core & Main (formerly HD Supply) had previously given a quote for over \$174,000.00 to host from Des Moines for a five-year period. This year, the cost has gone up to nearly \$186,000. The cost took several months to receive and some of the information was not correct. Administrator Jonne Slemmons talked to our part time IT consultant (Brian Fonseca) and he thinks he will be able to build our own Server some where between \$4,000.00 to \$6,000.00.

Each Department Supervisor was present to answer questions the Council had for the 2018 Budget. The Gas Department submitted a new pickup in the budget. Mayor Todd Williams wanted Administrator Jonne Slemmons to ask attorney or auditor when a certain department buys a vehicle how many years does it take to depreciate and can it be moved to another department. The health insurance was different on each employee and the Council would like to see if it is based on age. The Street Department is removing the purchase of the crack sealing machine and adding the cost of the rental machine. Mayor Todd Williams asked Randy Jennings, Street Superintendent, if he would rather have improvements on the building or a new dump truck. Randy Jennings, Street Superintendent replied he would prefer improvements on the building. The other departments had no changes at this time.

Adjourn Motion made by Alderman Randy Mann to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Mann – Aye
Brejnik – Aye

Johns – Aye
Ishmael – Aye

Todd Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nita Schroff, City Clerk