

VALLEY CENTER COUNCIL MEETING
July 17, 2018
CITY HALL
121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Laurie Dove called the regular session to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ron Colbert, Brendan McGettigan, Marci Maschino, Matt Stamm, Ben Anderson and Paul Davis.

Members Absent: Ray Strunk and Gina Gregory

Staff Present: Scott Hildebrand, City Administrator
Kristine Polian, Asst. City Administrator
Lloyd Newman, Police Chief
Joshua Golka, City Engineer
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk
Matthew Vogt, Police Sergeant
JC Kirk, Police Sergeant

Press present: The Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Dove added items 7A-Police Uniform presentation, 9B-Council appointment, and 12C-Executive Session to the agenda.

Anderson moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by McGettigan. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

MINUTES –JULY 3, 2018 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Stamm moved to accept the minutes of the July 3, 2018, regular City Council meeting, seconded by Anderson. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

MINUTES –JULY 4, 2018 COMMUNITY BUILDING DEDICATION

Maschino moved to accept the minutes of the July 4, 2018, Community Building Dedication, seconded by McGettigan. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

POLICE DEPARTMENT UNIFORMS AND PATCH

Chief Newman reported that new police uniforms and patches have arrived. Brandon Hulbert designed the new patch chosen from many contest entries. Hulbert was presented with one of the new patches. Police Sergeants Vogt and Kirk were present to model the new uniforms.

PUBLIC FORUM – None

APPOINTMENTS –

RECREATION COMMISSION

Mayor Dove appointed Jaimie Anderson to serve on the recreation commission. Anderson moved to accept the appointment, seconded by Colbert. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

CITY COUNCIL WARD 1

Mayor Dove read a letter of resignation from Councilmember Strunk, as he has moved out of his district. Mayor Dove appointed Louis Cicirello to fill Strunk's unexpired term. Anderson moved to accept the appointment, seconded by Maschino. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

Oath of office was given by City Clerk Carrithers and Councilmember Cicirello joined the Council at the bench at 7:08pm.

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS –

A. COMMUNITY BUILDING PLAQUE APPROVAL

Hildebrand requested members of Council review the names for the dedication plaque for the Community Building one final time prior to submitting the order. No changes were suggested. No action needed.

B. WATER TOWER DESIGN CONTEST

Hildebrand requested approval for a contest for the painted design on the water tower. The water tower rehab project will include new paint and now would be the time to make any changes. Entries will be accepted until August 31, 2018, and finalist designs would be presented to Council for decision.

Maschino moved to approve contest for the design to be painted on the Valley Center water tower. Seconded by Davis. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS-

A. RECYCLING DISCUSSION

Polian introduced Ammon Taylor with Waste Management. Mr. Taylor addressed Council regarding the contract with the City and requested a pass through rate increase directly tied to the increase of recycling costs. He explained that China has been the largest market for recycled paper and they have raised the standards of contamination rates and lowered the purchase price per ton. Waste Connection has instituted a \$90.00 fee per ton at the recycling transfer station because of the market. Polian stated that the City's contract does not expire until 2020. She recommends Council visit with citizens regarding the recycling program. Small increases could be implemented so that sticker shock is avoided following re-negotiation of contract. More discussion between the City and Waste Management will be held to explore other options and presented to Council at a later date.

No action taken.

B. CROSSWALK SIGNALIZATION

Hildebrand reported that School Superintendent Gibson has requested that the City install 3 flashing crosswalk signals with the school district sharing the cost. They would be located at 5th and Interurban, Sheridan (between 2nd and 3rd St.) and Meridian by Middle School. Hildebrand stated that there are funds available for 2 signals in the special streets fund. His priority would be 1) 5th and Interurban and 2) Meridian. After discussion with staff and Engineer Golka other options could be viable on Sheridan and is

not recommended at this time. Council discussed the need for the signals and have witnessed cars traveling through crosswalks while students are trying to cross the street.

Anderson moved to approve placement of lighted signs at 5th and Interurban and Meridian by the Middle School for an amount not to exceed \$15,000.00 each. Seconded by Davis. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried..

C. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Maschino moved for Council to recess into executive session to discuss an individual employee's performance pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319 (b)(1). The executive session to include Council, City Administrator Hildebrand, Asst. City Administrator Polian and City Attorney Arbuckle. The open meeting will resume in the City Council Chamber in 15 minutes. Anderson seconded the motion. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Recess began at 8:01pm

Recess ended at 8:16pm

Maschino reported no official action was taken during executive session.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE
- B. TREASURER'S RPORT
- C. REVENUE AND EXPENSE SUMMARIES
- D. DELINQUENT ACCOUNT REPORT
- E. CHECK RECONCILIATION
- F. APPROVAL OF FALL REST REQUEST FROM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

McGettigan moved, seconded by Maschino to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS-

CITY ENGINEER GOLKA

Reported that City staff will meet with KDOT July 18, 2018 to discuss full closure of 5th Street on phase 1 and then continue on during phase 2. He anticipates closure until end of October.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR HILDEBRAND

Reminded Council of upcoming LKM training in August for KORA/KOMA. Please let City Clerk Carrithers know if you would like to attend.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS –

Mayor reminded Council of Land Bank meeting. It will be called to order after a 5 minutes break following the adjournment of regular Council Meeting.

Cicirello stated he's glad to be back and working with the Council.

Maschino, Anderson and Davis thanked staff for hosting a tremendous open house and ribbon cutting for the Community Building/Library.

Stamm reported that he has been asked about installing another business sign at the corner of 69th and Meridian. He also has information regarding a program through Goodwill involving computer training.

Stamm moved to adjourn, second by Maschino. Vote Yea: Unanimous.

ADJOURN -

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk