

VALLEY CENTER COUNCIL MEETING
April 2, 2019
CITY HALL
121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Dove called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Ron Colbert, Lou Cicirello, Gina Gregory, Marci Maschino, Matt Stamm, and Paul Davis.

Members Absent: Brendan McGettigan and Ben Anderson

Staff Present: Kristine Polian, Interim City Administrator
Lloyd Newman, Public Safety Director
Ryan Shrack, Community Development Director
Rodney Eggleston, Public Works Director
Neal Owings, Parks and Public Building Director
Josh Golka, City Engineer
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Barry Smith, Asst. City Administrator of Finance
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk

Press present: The Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Gregory moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Colbert. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA

MINUTES –MARCH 19, 2019 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Stamm moved to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2019, regular City Council meeting, seconded by Gregory. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS – None

PUBLIC FORUM – None

APPOINTMENTS – None

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS –

A report from the Parks and Public Spaces Board was given by Robert Wilson. See report.

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS-

A. REQUEST FOR VARIANCE AT 500 KANZA

Michelle Coash, 500 Kanza, requested a variance to install a driveway. She explained that since purchasing the property, they have been doing many upgrades and the driveway is one of the last things needed. The side load garage has been a problem with visitors and delivery people coming to the garage door instead of the front door. Coash requested the variance so that a circular drive could be added that would match the

current driveway. Eggleston explained that the requested driveway did not meet City Standards and current code.

Cicirello stated that he had driven by and all the properties in that neighborhood with the exception of one have gravel driveways and he doesn't see a problem approving the variance. Discussion continued regarding why the approaches weren't paved at the time the road was paved. Golka explained that it was part of the street maintenance program and dust control was the main purpose. When questioned Shrack explained that this issue doesn't qualify to be reviewed by the Zoning and Planning Board, it is a Council decision.

Cicirello moved to approve request for variance for driveway at property located at 500 Kanza. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

B. RESOLUTION 378-19; IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SUPPLY

Polian addressed Council to explain the process needed to finance the water and sewer system improvements includes three resolutions. She introduced Garth Herrmann with Gilmore and Bell. He stated that May 7, 2019 will be the public sale for Bonds and Notes and following Council approval the final closing and transfer of funds will be on May 23, 2019.

Cicirello moved to adopt Resolution 378-19 authorizing improvements to the City public water supply system and providing for the payment of the costs thereof. Motion seconded by Maschino. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

C. RESOLUTION 379-19; ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS

Cicirello moved to adopt Resolution 379-19 authorizing sewer system improvements and issuance of General Obligation Bonds to pay such costs. Motion seconded by Maschino. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

D. RESOLUTION 380-19; SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND TEMP NOTES

Cicirello moved to adopt Resolution 380-19 authorizing for sale of General Obligation Bonds, Series 2019-1 and General Obligation Temporary Notes, Series 2019-1. Motion seconded by Maschino. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

E. ORDINANCE 1327-19; LIGHTED SIGNS

Shrack presented to Council for approval revised Chapter 17.07 to update the code dealing with signs. He explained that his research lead him to use foot candle measurements instead of nits for illumination enforcement. The equipment used to measure nits was cost prohibitive and he felt that foot candles gave a better measurement in addition to the equipment being more affordable.

Gregory questioned other sections in the chapter not dealing with lighted signs that seemed to be in conflict. Cicirello stated that the foot candle measurement was a better way to measure the brightness. Colbert questioned whether fees/fines should be listed. Polian stated that it isn't practice to list those in the Ordinance due to changes that might occur.

Colbert moved to approve Ordinance 1327-19 repealing Chapter 17.07 in the Valley Center Zoning Ordinance and establishing new Chapter 17.07 regulating lighted signs within the City limits of Valley Center.

F. REQUEST TO PURCHASE NEW 2019 SQUAD TRUCK FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Newman request Council approval for a new Squad truck for the fire department. He explained that the current truck is an older 2006 truck and is the first one to respond to calls but it is beginning to have engine problems.

Cicirello moved to approve purchase of 2019 Ford 550 for use as a new Squad for the fire department in an amount not to exceed \$129,000.00. Motion seconded by Colbert. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Appropriation Ordinance, April 2, 2019
- B. Check Reconciliation – January 2019
- C. Treasurer’s Report – January 2019
- D. Revenue and Expense Summary – January 2019
- E. Check Reconciliation – February 2019
- F. Treasurer’s Report – February 2019
- G. Revenue and Expense Summary – February 2019
- H. Special use request at McLaughlin Park

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

STAFF REPORTS-

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR SHRACK

Shrack also reported on the February results from the media campaign with Cox Media. 83,000 “impressions” were seen. The highest clicks were from Sedgwick, Butler and Reno counties.

The survey committee met last Friday. Shrack also reminded Council that the 2020 Census Day is only 364 days away. Funding and grants are based on census data so it’s important.

CITY ENGINEER GOLKA

Golka reported that a final walk through on 5th Street is planned for Thursday, April 4, 2019. He is hoping for a Friday opening of the road.

Due to late addendums the bid opening for the Waste Water treatment plant will be April 10th. He anticipates 3 or 4 competitive bids.

INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR POLIAN

Polian remarked that this will be her last City Council meeting. She introduced Barry Smith. He has been hired as Assistant City Administrator of Finance.

Reported that the City has been notified by the City of Wichita that they will no longer transport our waste solids by 2021. Staff will begin looking into options but it will have an impact on the City.

Reminded Council that the Community survey will be a tool to gauge upcoming projects/services that could cost the community. Continued recycling, grocery store recruitment and swimming pool upgrades are just a few things that could require increase in sales or property tax.

She stressed that communication will be vital during the water line replacement project.

Thanked the City and Council for an amazing ride in her 15 years with the City.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS –

COUNCILMEMBER COLBERT

Colbert thanked those that attended the MIA program at the library. He also stated that he has been asked by a citizen about possibility of a shred it day.

COUNCILMEMBER STAMM

Thanked Polian for her years of service.

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

ADJOURN -

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk