

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
September 1, 2020
VALLEY CENTER CITY HALL
121 S. MERIDIAN

Mayor Cicirello called the regular meeting to order at 7:00p.m. With the following members present: Matt Stamm, Chris Evans (arrived at 7:02), Paul Davis, Ben Anderson, Gina Gregory, Dale Kerstetter and Robert Wilson.

Members Absent: Ronald Colbert

Staff Present: Ryan Shrack, Community Development Director
Rodney Eggleston, Public Works Director
Barry Arbuckle, City Attorney
Josh Golka, City Engineer
Barry Smith, Assistant City Administrator
Brent Clark, City Administrator
Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk

Press present: The Ark Valley News

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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

ADMINISTRATION AGENDA –

AUGUST 17, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES-

Gregory moved to accept the minutes of the August 17, 2020, Special City Council meeting, seconded by Kerstetter. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

AUGUST 18, 2020 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Evans moved to accept the minutes of the August 18, 2020, Regular City Council meeting, seconded by Gregory. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS –

PROCLAMATION- CONSTITUTION WEEK-SEPTEMBER 17-23, 2020

Mayor Cicirello read a proclamation declaring September 17th through September 23, 2020 as Constitution Week for the City of Valley Center.

RECOGNITION OF CMC DESIGNATION- KRISTI CARRITHERS

Mayor Cicirello presented plaque to City Clerk Kristi Carrithers for her earning a Certified Municipal Clerk designation.

PUBLIC FORUM –

Scott Thomas, 654 E. 3rd. addressed Council. He stated his concerns regarding a neighbor of his Mother-in-law. She has been having issues with loud engine noises at all time of the day and night. They also park in front of her curb side mailbox. He requested consideration of Ordinance prohibiting parking in front of mail boxes along City Streets. He stated that the USPO will not delivery mail if it is blocked. He also asked if more enforceable laws could be passed for the harassment she is receiving.

Joyce Allison, 654 E. 3rd, also addressed Council requesting help in dealing with the neighbor.

Mayor Cicirello thanked them for their comments. Staff will look futher into the matter.

APPOINTMENTS – None

COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS-

A. ORDINANCE 1349-20; GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS

Barry Smith introduced Dustin Avery with Piper Jaffrey to present the bids received for the GO Bonds. Avery stated that bidder providing the lowest interest rate on the Series 2020-2 Bonds is UMB Bank at an average interest rate of 0.77%. In addition, the total savings as a result of refinancing is \$934,905.16 which results in a present value savings percentage of 13.29%. 8 bids were received with all bids below 1.1%. These bonds will all be paid by 2033.

Councilmember Anderson moved that the first reading requirement for Ordinance 1349-20 be waived, motion seconded by Kerstetter. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Councilmember Anderson moved that the award of the bid be ratified, and Ordinance 1349-20 be passed. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Stamm. Vote Yea: Unanimous. Motion carried.

B. RESOLUTION 690-20: GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS

Councilmember Gregory moved that Resolution 690-20 be adopted. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Evans. Vote Yea: unanimous. Motion carried.

C. ORDINANCE 1350-20; UNIFORM PUBLIC OFFENSE CODE

Administrator Clark presented Ordinance 1350-20, UPOC. This is the yearly update. Kerstetter inquired about getting a full copy of the Code. An updated copy is always available at City Hall.

Anderson moved to adopt Ordinance 1350-209, amending Chapter 9.01 of the Valley Center Municipal Code and amendments thereto, for 1st reading. Seconded by Kerstetter. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried..

D. DUPLEX REQUEST FROM BRIGHTPORCH PROPERTIES

Shrack reported that an inquiry to purchase 3 lots from the Valley Center Land Bank has been received from Brightporch Properties. They would like to build duplexes on these lots, however when the Land Bank was established the expectation was that only single family homes would be built. Stamm questioned the current zoning and the number of residences exceeding the original plans. Shrack stated he would look into amendments that had been passed prior to his tenure with the City. Kerstetter questioned whether the addition of duplexes would affect current home values. Anderson stated that the current duplexes are very well built and maintained. These lots would fill in the space between the current duplexes and a single family residence.

Anderson moved to allow Brightporch Properties to build duplexes on lots following purchase from the Land Bank. Motion seconded by Stamm. Vote yea: unanimous. Motion carried..

E. CIP DISCUSSION AND ALLOCATION

Smith presented to Council proposed CIP. He explained that a CIP is a fluid document that lists projects or purchases over \$10,000.00 that have a life expectancy over 5 years. Smith has created an interactive map of proposed projects that the Council and public can view and comment on. Smith lead Council in discussion regarding the 2024-2025 CIP cycle. They discussed the need to address drainage from 1st to Ash. Kerstetter and Gregory both felt the firetruck should be a priority. Anderson stated that a water treatment plant will be needed. If current warming conditions continue and severe drought occurs, the City would be in trouble relying on the City of Wichita for water. Smith will take all the comments into consideration and present CIP for approval at next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE – SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

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

STAFF REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR SHRACK

There will be a Land Bank Meeting immediately following the adjournment of the regular City Council Meeting on September 15, 2020.

September 30, 2020 will be the deadline for the US Census. Valley Center currently has a self-reporting rate of 78%. Sedgwick County has a 92% combined self-reporting and enumerator rate.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR CLARK

Has been involved with a joint meeting with Sedgwick County, and Park City regarding projects.

Stated that a mil overlay has begun on Sheridan from Main to 5th. It is expected to finish this week before school begins next week.

GOVERNING BODY REPORTS –

MAYOR CICIRELLO

Thank Carrithers for her work and achievement.

ADJOURN -

Wilson moved to adjourn, second by Anderson. Vote Yea: Unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Kristi Carrithers, City Clerk