



CITY OF SCOTT CITY

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CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 16th, 2019

Call to order: A meeting of the Council was held on September 16th, 2019 in the Council Chambers located at City Hall, 215 Chester Ave. Mayor Brant called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The following council members were present: Randy Morse, Tim Porch, Kenny Page, Victor Phillips, Andrew Reinhart, Mike Rhymer and Gary Spinks.

ABSENT: Heather Ingvalson

Also, present: Attorney, Frank Siebert; Parks Director, Skylar Cobb; Fire Chief, Trent August; Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth.

ABSENT: Chief of Police, Michael Culler

Prayer and Pledge: Prayer was led by Public Works Director, Dustin Whitworth and Pledge was led by Mayor Norman Brant.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Tim Porch. All in favor; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Approval of Minutes: from September 3rd, 2019.

Motion to approve minutes from September 3rd, 2019 made by Councilman Tim Porch; Seconded by Councilman Kenny Page. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed; Motion Carried

Approval of Bills: Motion to approve bills in the amount of \$55,544.19 was made by Councilman Tim Porch; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Public Forum:

- **Susan Perez: Update regarding the Historical Society of Scott City, Missouri.**
- Thank you to the Fire Department of Scott City for responding to an alarm that went off at the Historical Building, nothing was harmed, and no fire was detected. The alarm was reset, and all is operational.
- September 29th, 2019 will be the date for the 3rd Annual Ladies Tea. The theme this year is Denim and Diamonds. Fifty tickets are printed and last year 40 were sold, so they are hoping to completely sell out this year.
- **Alex Kappleman to speak on behalf of AT&T First Net.**
- Alex stated that with the implementation of First Net for 911, they will be completely protected and have phone priority. Meaning that even if everyone else does not have phone service the 911 First Responders will. First Net has the capability to take over consumers and prioritize needs to the citizens. A tower will be built next year in the area.
- A proposal has been given to the Fire Department and Police Chief; Michael Culler has also stated that they are very interested in the service.
- Further discussion and implementation are being discussed between AT&T and the Emergency Service Teams of the City of Scott City.

- To repair a coat that has a puncture wound will cost over \$300.00 and is almost out of compliance.
- Gear must fit properly and have full coverage guidelines according to NFPA standards.
- Fire Helmets are all roughly over 10 years old.
- Councilman Tim Porch asked Chief August how many active firefighters are currently with Scott City and Chief August reported that there are currently 15 active volunteers. Councilman Porch also asked Chief August of the 15 how many will go into an active fire. Chief August stated that 10 out of the 15 have completed the courses required to allow them to enter into an active fire.
- Firefighter, Drury stated that he has a program implemented that will prevent turn-out gear becoming out of date and ensure the Fire Department stays on top of the matter so that issues such as this will not occur in the future.
- Chief August and the members of the Fire Department are requesting council to approve a purchase of \$70,000.00 to be used for turn-out gear and any funds not used for helmet purchases would be used to update SCBA masks. This will give each member two sets of gear and keep Scott City in compliance. This has been determined to be an emergency purchase as the safety and lives of the firefighters are at risk.
- Motion to approve emergency purchase of gear in the amount of \$70,000.00 was made by Councilman Kenny Page; Seconded by Councilman Tim Porch. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed: Motion Carried.

Kenny Page, Fire:

- Nothing to report

Skylar Cobb, Parks Director:

- Eric Uhrhan Memorial Tournament was a success and it worked out perfectly as the weather cooperated according to Parks Director, Cobb.
- 3rd Weekend of Fall Ball occurred on September 14th, 2019.
- Working on the preparations for the Fall Festival that will be happening in October.
- The Christmas Festival is scheduled for December 7th, 2019. Parade will begin at 5:00 pm
- Parks Director, Cobb and Public Works Director, Whitworth have discovered that there is a leak in the pool and have been using cameras, etc. to determine the location of the leak and how it can be resolved.

Heather Ingvalson, Parks

- Absent from meeting.

Dustin Whitworth, Public Works Director:

- Thankful to see how well the council works together in helping all departments obtain the items they need to best perform their designated duties.
- Bids for lowering the Little River Drainage waterline were open September 10th, 2019. The lowest bid was awarded to C.R. Contracting for \$57,000.00.
- A city well malfunctioned last week and a new well was ordered, which cost \$15,000.00. The purchase of a 2nd well will be done at the same time.
- Lagoon Bond money is left to cover the cost for these projects. The total funds available are \$91,000.00.
- Approval to proceed with the \$57,000.00 waterline project and purchase wells for \$18,000.00 each, was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Victor Phillips. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Mike Rhymer, Public Works:

- Nothing to report.

Gary Spinks, Cemetery:

- 13 trees are needing to be trimmed as they are overhanging into the roadway causing a possible hazard to drivers.
- The estimate to trim the trees was given by Stan's Tree Service for a total of \$1040.00.
- Motion to approve Stan's Tree Service to trim the trees for \$1040.00 was made by Councilman Gary Spinks; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed; Motion Carried.
- Pictures were taken at the Cemetery after Teen Challenge mowed the property. Teen Challenge has left a mess multiple times at the Cemetery and has broken planters, damage other displays and is not properly cleaning the grounds. The City needs to begin looking for a new mowing service for the Cemetery, to prevent any further damages.

Tim Porph, Ordinances:

- Tax Liens are totaling \$43,000.00. Council Porph feel that the City should sue everyone who owes more than \$3000.00 in delinquent tax liens to the City.
- Mayor and Council was in full agreement with Councilman Porph's motion and Attorney Frank Siebert stated that he would begin working on this matter.
- Motion to agree to sue those who owe \$3000.00 or more in delinquent tax liens was made by Councilman Tim Porph; Seconded by Councilman Mike Rhymer. All in favor: 7 AYES; None Opposed; Motion Carried.

Andrew Reinhart, Planning and Zoning:

- Nothing to report.

Closed Session:

Motion to go into closed session was made by Councilman Mike Rhymer; Seconded by Councilman Gary Spinks.

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- ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Morse (AYE), T. Porph (AYE), K. Page (AYE), V. Phillips (AYE), A. Reinhart (AYE), M. Rhymer (AYE), G. Spinks (AYE)
 - AYES: 7; NAYS 0; Motion Carried.

AYES: 7 NAYS: 0 Motion Carried. Went into closed session at 8:20 pm

Open Session:

Motion to go into open session was made by Councilman Tim Porph; Seconded by Councilman Andrew Reinhart.

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- ROLL CALL VOTE: R. Morse (AYE), T. Porph (AYE), K. Page (AYE), V. Phillips (AYE), A. Reinhart (AYE), M. Rhymer (AYE), G. Spinks (AYE)
 - AYES: 7; NAYS 0; Motion Carried.

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No further business being presented, moved by Councilman Tim Porph; Seconded by Councilman Andrew Reinhart to adjourn at 8:36 p.m. All in Favor; None Opposed; Motion carried.

Attest:



Michael Dudek, City Clerk



Norman Brant, Mayor