

**COUNCIL MEETING 18-03
FEBRUARY 12, 2018**

The City Council met in Council Chambers at 6:30 PM with the Mayor calling the meeting to order and the following answering to roll call:

Andy Koehler	Council Member
Mike Yaklich	Council Member
Steve Faber	Council Member
Chris Colomer	Council Member
Steve Looney	Mayor

Council Member Yaklich made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 6:31 pm pursuant to Section 2 (C)(2) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss collective bargaining and Section 2(c)(5) to discuss the purchase of real estate. Council Member Colomer seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

The executive session was adjourned at 7:01 pm on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Council Meeting 18-03 continued at 7:03 pm with Mayor Looney stating that Council was reconvening following a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2(c)(2) or the Open Meetings Act to discuss collective bargaining and Section 2(c)(5) to discuss the purchase of real estate.

News media present was as follows:

Mike Helenthal	Star Courier
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The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Mayor Looney asked for a moment of silence for our troops still fighting overseas.

Mayor Looney explained that the next items were placed on the consent agenda and were considered to be routine in nature to be passed as a whole with one vote of the Council. Mayor Looney requested that any member of the Council or the audience wishing to have an item removed from the consent agenda for individual consideration to make the request and the item would be removed and considered following the approval of the remaining consent items. The consent agenda included minutes from the January 22, 2018 Council Meeting, payroll for the pay period ending February 3, 2018 in the amount of \$189,402.82, reports from Police Department, Public Works, Water Loss, ESDA, and Building and Zoning. The consent agenda was approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Bills submitted for approval totaling \$735,931.12 were approved on a motion made by Council Member Faber and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Council Member Yaklich questioned the purchase of a welder. Facilities Manager Newton explained that the purchase was to replace a 25

year old welder in the parks and cemetery departments, and was used to repair tractors and mowers. Council Member Yaklich also questioned the purchase of a used power cot. City Manager Bradley explained that the purchase was made to equip one of the new ambulances. Fire Chief Shook explained that the cot is certified by the manufacturer and has a three-year warranty. The cost of the cot was almost half of the cost of a new cot. The use of the powered cots had reduced the number of injuries incurred by staff when transporting patients. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Looney then asked if anyone wished to speak regarding a non-agenda item. There being no such requests Mayor Looney moved on to new business.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Mikenas gave a report to the City Council regarding the activities of the Kewanee Chamber of Commerce over the past six months. He noted that 2018 was Kewanee's 130th year.

Ordinance #3917 prohibiting the use of groundwater by the installation or use of water supply wells was approved on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Faber. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5091 authorizing the City Manager, City Clerk, and City Attorney to execute the necessary paperwork for the purchase of property for a city pound died for lack of a second of Council Member Faber's motion to approve. Council Member Yaklich asked about other options. City Manager Bradley explained the options that had been explored by staff, as well as other options. Kellie Wallace-McKenna, director of the Humane Society, read comments and presented a document regarding the number of animals that had gone through the pound and the number of animals saved by the Humane Society. Kathy Werderman, representing the Friends of the Animals, expressed her concern that the pound remain in the City limits. Council Member Colomer agreed with both speakers, noting the need to take the welfare of the animals into consideration, but also stating his desire to do the project right the first time.

Resolution #5092 establishing Customer Service Standards Policy was tabled on a motion made by Council Member Yaklich and seconded by Council Member Colomer. Mayor Looney requested that City Attorney Raver review the policy. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

Resolution #5093 establishing an Information Technology Policy was approved on a motion made by Council Member Colomer and seconded by Council Member Faber. City Attorney Raver confirmed that he had reviewed the policy. Council Member Yaklich requested that a one-page review with bullet points be provided to staff regarding the policy. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The motion passed.

A discussion of 2018 Street Program was held. City Attorney Nobel presented the program to Council, noting that it was staff's intention to get the program approved early to bid early and get

better pricing. The philosophy for the program was to finish what had been started. He also noted that he would be bidding the sidewalk work necessary to complete the project separately. A new process being used in Chillicothe was a brief topic with City Engineer Nobel noting that he would like to see the process and how it holds up prior to making a recommendation regarding the process.

A discussion regarding the Capital Improvements Plan was led by City Attorney Nobel. He reviewed the contents of the document, noting that there were no General Fund dollars included in any of the projects. He reviewed each of the projects included, highlighting in more detail the downtown electric project that would benefit the festivals held in the area. He also reported that the project for East Street was being postponed until 2020 to allow for underground assets to be reviewed and repaired if needed.

OTHER BUSINESS

Council Member Faber noted the great job with snow removal by the Public Works Department.

Council Member Colomer echoed the compliment to the Public Works Department.

Council Member Koehler again suggested allowing cars to be parked in the right-of-way during snow events.

Council Member Yaklich questioned the city's stance on snowmobiles. Police Chief Ainley reported that they can be operated within 10 feet of the streets. There are no city ordinances against the operation of them.

Mayor Looney thanked City staff for all the work done.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Edwards announced that City Hall offices would be closed on Monday, February 19, in observance of President's Day. There were no planned changes to the trash collection schedule. She reminded residents that in order to aid in snow removal, residents should not park any type of vehicle or trailer on any city street within twelve hours after a snowfall of three or more inches has occurred or until the street has been cleared, whichever occurs first.

There being no further business, Council Member Faber moved to adjourn the meeting and Council Member Colomer seconded the motion. Roll call showed 5 ayes, no nays. The meeting adjourned at 8:56 PM.



MELINDA EDWARDS, CITY CLERK



DATE APPROVED