

The June 27TH 2022, Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. 5 members of the City Council were present in Chambers.

The Consent Agenda included the following items:

- a. Payroll for the pay period ending June 18th, in the amount of **\$208,703.65**
- b. Reports from Police, Community Development, Bock Inc.
- c. Minutes from the June 13th meeting
- d. Street Closure for the Prairie Chicken Festival

Motion made by Councilmember Faber to approve consent agenda. A Seconded was made by Councilmember Baker. Discussion: None Motion Passed 5-0

Bills were presented in the amount of \$416,991.71

Councilmember Komnick moved to approve payment of the bills. Councilmember Faber seconded the motion. Discussion: Colomer asked about Radio Maintenance for Supreme Radio. Chief Welgat stepped up to explain that this is a annual maintenance and even with the new radios from Starcom. Supreme will take care of the maintenance. Komnick asked about the 37k for the Virtra training those surrounding areas contributed for the training. Our actual part was closer to 2k.**The motion was approved 5-0.**

Employee Recognition and Awards: As part of the Firefighter Recognition Program, employees of the Kewanee Fire Department are to be recognized for actions above and beyond the call of duty. Today, Monday, June 27th, Firefighter Kyle Bumphrey and Engineer Andrew Welgat will be recognized for actions taken in response to a potentially hazardous fire response.

On Thursday, May 26th, Kewanee Fire Department was dispatched to Cernovich's Auto & Truck Wrecking for a report of a fire. At the time of dispatch notification, 1 of the Fire Department ambulances was already on scene of a different EMS emergency, leaving only 2 firefighters to respond to this fire when response would normally consist of 5 personnel. Mr. Bumphrey and Mr. Welgat responded immediately in Engine 2. Upon arrival, the fire was found to be in a large pile of tires. The flames and smoke from this fire were reaching approximately 40 feet into the air with other combustible materials in the immediate area. With their Captain on the ambulance call and not yet on scene to direct operations, these 2 firefighters immediately deployed a hose line, donned their gear and breathing apparatus, engaged the pump on their Engine and began suppression efforts on the growing fire. Their immediate actions contained the fire to the area of origin and prohibited any spread of fire to the remaining tires. By relying on their extensive training in emergency situations, they were able to mitigate the problem and contain damage to the initial area. It would have been very easy to get caught up in the size of the fire and the fact they were alone until help arrived.

Therefore, the City of Kewanee, along with the Mayor and City Council, City Manager, and Fire Chief, hereby recognize and congratulate Kyle Bumphrey and Andrew Welgat for their actions. You are presented with this plaque to memorialize your efforts and

a commendation will be placed in your permanent file. Congratulations and Thank You for your service.

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- **Public Comments:**

- **New Business:**

- A. **Public Hearing-FY23 Appropriations:** No public comments
- B. **Chamber of Commerce Presentation-Mark Mikenas:** Mark started with a financial report and went into the Fire work donations and display that will be held this weekend. Tax income was reported and so was the mileage report of increase.
- C. **Consideration of Ordinance #4100** fixing appropriations for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2022, and ending April 30, 2023 **Discussion:** none **Councilmember Baker made the motion, Councilmember Faber seconded. Discussion:** none **Motion passed 5-0**
- D. **Consideration of Ordinance #4101** to grant a Special Use Permit to use the existing building and property at 1412 W. Prospect St. as a short-term rental **Discussion:** **Councilmember Baker made the motion, Councilmember Faber seconded. Discussion:** none **Motion passed 5-0**
- E. **McClure and Dwight Intersection Discussion:** Gary Bradley just wanted to give an update to the Council and Public. They Police department put the sign out there to monitor the speed and traffic. G Bradley stated the numbers are not the same now as they will be during the school year. We have reached out to an engineering firm to do an analysis on the movements on that road. At this point there is not enough information to change it. Added a bike lane also at this time doesn't look possible due to the required width by the state.

Mayor's Communications:

MAYOR COMMUNICATIONS 06/27/2022

I want to remind everyone to vote in tomorrow's primary election. It is very important that every person eligible to vote, does so.

As you heard earlier, the fireworks display, hosted by the Kewanee Chamber of commerce will be on Monday night, July 4. Fireworks will begin shortly after sunset. This event will take place at Northeast Park.

And there will another fireworks display hosted by Rhonda and Kim Cernovich. Their display is scheduled for Saturday, July 2, and will be held at their property on Red Adams Road. It will also begin shortly after sunset

Council Communications:

- **Councilmember Colomer:** Great job to all the participated in the Nolan Keane Tournament and what it brings to the community. Finding umpers was a huge feat this year and maybe we need to promote young individuals to get into umping. Restaurants got a good boost with all the extra bodies in town. N Welgat also mentioned another large tournament that could help with the fireworks displays.
 - **Councilmember Baker:** Nothing
 - **Councilmember Faber:** Faber started with the Friends of the Animals group is celebrating their 10th year. Potholes seem to be a hot topic and addressed K newton on a plan that is in place and how can we fix this. Newton stated that there is a plan, and they are working diligently.
 - **Councilmember Komnick:** Appreciated the Fire Fighter recognition and it's a great program. GS are here working on their democracy badge. Thank you for coming. Sales Tax going up is a great thing for this community and encourage everyone to shop local. For perspective how much does it take to do fireworks show? Mark stated it was about 13k and that helps everyone see what 23 minutes cost.
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- **Announcements:** City Hall will be closed Monday July 4th to observe the Holiday.
 - **Councilmember Colomer moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Faber seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0 The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM**