

**CITY OF BELLE PLAINE
BELLE PLAINE CITY HALL
401 N. MERCHANT**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rob Narron called the Regular Council Meeting for the City of Belle Plaine, Kansas, to order, on Thursday, August 16, 2018 at 7:00 PM.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Dave Armstrong

Greg Harlan Allen Hisken

Dennis McGinnis Phila Storts

A quorum was present

Staff Present

**Police Chief Bill Berry; Guy Howell, Maintenance Supervisor;
Linda Stinnett-City Clerk; and Stephanie McGinnis-Deputy City Clerk.**

PLEDGE OF ALLIGENCE

PUBLIC HEARING 2019 BUDGET

Mayor Narron opened the Public Hearing on the 2019 Budget, as published on Thursday, August 2, 2018 in the official City Newspaper. No one was present to speak at the hearing. It was closed at 7:01 PM.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Narron announced that there is potential industry coming to Sumner County, with the VNA Bio-Fuel Plant of closest interest to Belle Plaine. A meeting is scheduled at the County Commission meeting. on Sept. 17, 2018.

PUBLIC ITEMS

No one was present to speak.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

- New Business - Yarbro's Technical Services was added to New Business.
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APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION: Harlan made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Council Meeting of 08-02-18; Payroll Ordinance 08-16-18; and Warrant Ordinance 08-16-18. Hisken seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS**Resolution 2018-02 CDBG Housing Grant Application**

Gloria McDowell, Grants Team Lead for the South Central Kansas Economic Development District, presented an updated CDBG Housing Grant Application. After review by the state, it was suggested that the application be republished and another Public Hearing held so the local match could be corrected. The publication was printed and the Public Hearing held at 6:45 PM.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-02, certifying the legal authority to apply for the 2019 Kansas Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program from the Kansas Department of Commerce and authorizing the mayor to sign and submit such an application and dedicate \$48,000 to the project. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

New Business – Yarbro’s Technical Services

Mayor Narron presented the application for a New Business License from Yarbro’s Technical Services. Roy Yarbrough, was present for the application. He did not submit a sales tax number, saying he will not be selling any parts.

MOTION: Harlan made a motion to approve the new Business License for Yarbro’s Technical Services. Hisken seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment to Community Center Board

Mayor Narron asked the Council to approve his appointment to the Community Center Board, Matt Hutchison. Hutchison will fill the board seat vacated by Julie Lewis.

MOTION: Armstrong made a motion to accept the appointment of Matt Hutchison to the Community Center Board to the unexpired term which ends in January 2020. Storts seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION: Hisken made a motion to accept the resignation of Julie Lewis. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

DARE Vehicle

Chief Berry said that since Officer Corbett became a full-time SRO, it is leaving the department with one vehicle in use nearly 24/7 during times school is in session. He has been talking to other departments about finding a used vehicle to use as a DARE vehicle. He did not have specific prices or cost of the vehicle, but was asking the Council for its opinion before moving forward on the project. Discussion of potential costs followed and Council Members indicated they would like a better idea of all costs.

MOTION: Harlan made a motion to allow Chief Berry to pursue the idea and come up with a solution for funding. Hisken seconded.

**VOTING YEA: Harlan, Hisken, Armstrong, McGinnis VOTING NAY: Storts
MOTION CARRIED**

Storts said she would support the idea, but only if no taxpayer funds are utilized.

OLD BUSINESS

2019 Budget

Mayor Narron presented the 2019 Budget, which assesses \$625,117 in ad valorem taxes. There is an anticipated increase in the mill levy, primarily to provide salary for a sixth police officer.

MOTION: McGinnis moved to adopt the 2019 budget to levy \$625,117 in ad valorem taxes for the City of Belle Plaine. Harlan seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

CIP List

Clerk Stinnett provided the suggested Capital Improvement Project List. Discussion was held on the list, including paving the Community Center parking lot, changing mosquito spraying from a mist to a spray, establishing a Tree Board, establishing a committee for grants for downtown improvements, and sale of the CD Building.

MOTION: Hisken moved to accept the department Capital Improvement Projects, with corrections to add #6 Belle Plaine Community Center paving and #5 Maintenance mosquito sprayer. Storts seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASE ORDERS

- None

STAFF INFORMATION

Staff reports included:

- Progress on the sand volleyball court at Watson Park;
- Work with the county to improve drainage along Logan from 5th to 10th;
- Discussion on making alleyways maintainable;
- Resident responsibility to maintain sidewalks and alleyways;
- Craig Divoll starting Aug. 8 as new officer and Trevor Corbett moving into the SRO position;
- Report on a 90-day deadline set with Bub Rothgeb for the demolition of a building he owns and cleanup of the lot;
- A bathroom renovation uncovered mold and drainage issues at the Library, moving the quote from \$952 to \$2,490. The mayor approved the emergency authorization;
- An overview of pool finances for the season;
- Status of the Community Center LED sign;
- A questionnaire circulated at National Night Out to gauge interest in a sales tax for park improvements.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Armstrong made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:33 PM in the Map Room to discuss an individual employee's pay rate, pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). Supervisor Howell and Clerk Stinnett were asked into the session, as needed. The open meeting was set to resume in Council Chambers at 8:45 PM. Hisken seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Council recessed to closed session at 8:33 PM. Council returned to open session at 8:45 PM.

MOTION: Hisken moved to increase Robert "John" Kimzey's pay rate to \$12 per hour, retroactive to the end of his 90-day probation period. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION: Harlan made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. McGinnis seconded. The motion carried unanimously and meeting adjourned at 8:46 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Stinnett, City Clerk