

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

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Rob Narron called the Regular Council Meeting for the City of Belle Plaine, Kansas, to order on Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

COUNCIL ATTENDANCE

Members Present

**Tori Bohannon Dennis McGinnis
Rob Narron David Armstrong**

Lacy Tedman and Mayor Richard Penn were absent

A quorum was present

Staff Present

**Gordon Fell – Police Chief; Guy Howell – Maintenance Superintendent;
and Linda Stinnett – City Clerk.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- Council Member Narron read a Thank You from the After Prom co-chairs for the City's contribution to the event.
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PUBLIC ITEMS

- Phila Storts asked if the City has a building inspector. Chief Fell answered that Greg Harlan is the construction inspector. She also asked about the status of the second half of the Co-op project. Chief Fell said he is waiting on information from the City Attorney.
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ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

- New Business – SKT and Fireworks were moved to the correct order.
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APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS

MOTION: Armstrong made a motion to approve Payroll Ordinance 05-11-17; and Warrant Ordinances 05-18-17. Bohannon seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to approve the Minutes for the Council Meeting on 05-04-17. Bohannon seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Fireworks Ordinance No. 1658

Bub Rothgeb was not present to discuss the fireworks.

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to table Fireworks Ordinance No. 1658. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

SKT Franchise Taxes – Ordinance No. 1659

Lonnie Stieben, SKT Community Economic Development Manager, presented a renewal Ordinance for the 3 percent franchise fees. .

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1659. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Fireworks Ordinance No. 1658

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to rescind the motion tabling Fireworks Ordinance No. 1658. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Bub Rothgeb arrived late in the meeting to discuss the fireworks. He asked that the date for starting sales and shooting fireworks be moved to Tuesday, June 27, to stay in line with neighboring communities. He submitted his application for two sales locations – the Buckaroo Barn and the southeast corner of 4th and Merchant. He also asked for permission for his employees to shoot fireworks at the Buckaroo Barn on July 5.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to approve Fireworks Ordinance No. 1658, with the starting date at June 27 in Sections 1 and 4, and approval to shooting fireworks at the Buckaroo Barn on July 5. Bohannon seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED

Zoning Board Resignation

Zoning Board Chairman Terry F. Tedman Jr. submitted his resignation on May 5.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to accept the resignation of Terry F. Tedman Jr. from the Zoning Board. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Alcohol Use Policy Form

Under City Code the Council can give permission for the use of alcohol in the Community Center. Staff developed a new form to serve as a vehicle for the granting of permission.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to adopt the Special Permit form. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

County Economic Development Report

Clerk Stinnett and Council Member Narron attended the May meeting of the Sumner County Economic Development Commission. Clerk Stinnett reported that the Commission has sent a letter to Kansas Governor Brownback, referencing the dire financial straits of Sumner Regional Medical Center in Wellington.

Workshop Dates

By consensus, the Council set June 3, 10, and 17 as dates for Workshops to discuss facilities and the 2018 budget.

OLD BUSINESS

Barner Center Air Conditioning

Maintenance Director Howell said a mechanical firm has said they will submit a bid for a range hood at the Barner Center.

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to table the issue until a quote is submitted. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

519 W. 8th – Update on Cleanup

Fred Lopez, agent for owner Thora Bean, was present to update the Council on Cleanup at 519 W. 8th. He said mold was found in the house and will be remediated. A structural engineer has said the home is structurally sound, he said, but will look at the home again as changes are made. City Staff asked Lopez to report contact information for the engineer.

MOTION: McGinnis made a motion to table the issue until July 6, 2017. Bohannon seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

PURCHASE ORDERS

- None.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports included updates on pool preparation, road work, a meeting with KDOT for a grant to repair Highway 55 inside the City Limits, work by the Housing Assessment Team, progress on forming a LandBank, software training, and an auditor's visit.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to go into Executive Session for Attorney/Client Privilege and Non-Elected Personnel from 7:45 to 8:30 PM. Chief Fell, Clerk Stinnett, Pool Manager Brad Haas, David Foster, Bickley Foster, and Scott Poor were asked to be included in the session as needed. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Council returned to open session at 8:30 PM.

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to approve the following employees for the 2017 Pool Season: Lesa Holmes, part-time assistant (\$9.25/hr); Mary Hunt, part-time assistant (\$8.25/hr); Sara Doyle, lifeguard (\$8.25/hr); Megan Doyle, lifeguard (\$7.75/hr); Corrine Dunn, lifeguard (\$7.50/hr); Kassie Bowman, Jessica Heidel, and Larry Shephard, lifeguards (\$7.25/hr); and lifeguards pending completion of training (\$7.25/hr) Dawn Hammond, Caleb Moses, Lea Morel, Veronica VanBoening and Taylor Douglas. Armstrong seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to go into Executive Session for Attorney/Client Privilege from 8:30 to 9:05 PM. Chief Fell, Clerk Stinnett, David Foster, Bickley Foster, and Scott Poor were asked to be included in the session as needed. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Council returned to open session at 9:05 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Bohannon made a motion to go into Executive Session for Attorney/Client Privilege from 9:08 to 9:30 PM. Chief Fell, David Foster, Bickley Foster, and Scott Poor were asked to be included in the session as needed. McGinnis seconded.

VOTING YEA: ALL VOTING NAY: NONE MOTION CARRIED.

Council returned to open session at 9:30 PM.

Adjournment

MOTION: Armstrong made a motion to adjourn the council meeting. Bohannon seconded. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Stinnett, City Clerk