

City of Benton
City Council Meeting March 18, 2024

The governing body of the City of Benton, Kansas met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Tyler Gottschalk presided. Members of the council were present as follows: Ross Schoneboom, Dan Claycamp, Travis Swift, Curt Ghormley and Cody Smith.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Consent Agenda

Approved Agenda – Councilman Schoneboom moved to add Item (b.) to the Agenda concerning After Prom donation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comment

No public comment

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Equipment Storage Building

Councilman Schoneboom moved to accept one of three bids with a recommendation to accept bid #3 from Shawn Yoakem for construction of a maintenance equipment storage facility. Funding authorizations and recommendations be approved as stated in the bid breakdown sheet. The motion was seconded by Councilman Swift. Motion passed 5-0.

Councilman Schoneboom moved to open discussion on the CHS Prom Committee donation request. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Council discussed the request and asked staff to share the request information with citizens.

Department Reports

Mayor Gottschalk - presented a Proclamation, dedicating this year's Benton Day Car Show on April 27th, 2024 to the memory of Mike Stanhope.

Administrator Engels – Asked if the council had any questions. Councilman Schoneboom commented on the removal of small trees along Prairie Creek Rd, Meadowlark, the sewer plant and water tower fences.

Chief Kichler – The Aventon Company donated two motorized bikes to the Police Department. The electric bikes are valued at \$1800 each.

The Kids Fishing Derby is scheduled for May 18, 2024 at Poling Pond in Prairie Village.

Open Discussion

Councilman Ghormley gave an update on the Coop structures.

Executive Session

Councilman Schoneboom moved to recess into executive session to discuss matters that would be deemed privileged attorney-client communication pursuant to Kansas Statute 75-4319(b), returning to open session at 7:45 p.m. to include Mayor, Council, Attorney and City Administrator. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 5-0.

Reconvene

Councilman Schoneboom moved to reconvene at 7:45 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.