

City of Benton City Council Meeting

December 20, 2021

The governing body of the City of Benton, Kansas met in regular session at the Community Building at 150 S. Main St. in the city at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Tyler Gottschalk presided. Members of the council were present as follows: Ross Schoneboom, Dan Claycamp, Cody Smith, Curt Ghormley and Travis Swift.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda

Councilman Ghormley moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 5-0.

Approve Minutes

Councilman Swift moved to approve the minutes from the November 15, 2021 regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schoneboom. Motion passed 5-0.

Public Comment

Matt Engels thanks the council for the appointment of City Administrator to begin 1-3-22. Looks forward to working for the City of Benton.

New Business

Ten Works Quote

Councilman Schoneboom moved the Benton City Council accept the TEN WORKS quote of \$5249.62 for "BENTON" letters on the covered bridge on the Two Angels Nature Trail. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ghormley. Motion passed 5-0.

Resolution 21-09

Councilman Schoneboom moved to adopt Resolution 21-09, A RESOLUTION DELETING THE COMMUNITY BUILDING LINE FROM THE CITY BUDGET. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 5-0.

Department Reports

City Clerk and City Treasurer

Financial report and Year End update.

Maintenance Department – Mark Perry

Prairie Village detention pond is delayed due to Engineer changes and increase in costs.

Purchased a new salt dog and brine sprayer for snow and ice removal.

Police Department – Devin Haines

Researching regulations for watercraft on Poling Pond.

Bids for replacing tasers.

New signs at Poling Pond listing regulations

Calls to service

Admin Report – Ross Schoneboom

Met with Engineer and Contractor for new elementary school.

There's a zoning hearing on January 10, 2022, 7:00 p.m. for a for a Variance Request

Mayors Report – Tyler Gottschalk

Thank you to everyone, it's been a good year for the City.

Open Discussion

Councilman Schoneboom – making contact with two developers for Phase III in Prairie Village.

Approve Expenses

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the expenses as presented.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Swift. Motion passed 5-0.

Approve Bonuses

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve an annual bonus for non-elected full time city personnel of 1% to be calculated based on individual annual earnings from the first pay period on or after December 1, 2020 through the pay period ending on or about November 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ghormley. Motion passed 5-0.

IT Services

Luis Alicea, city IT service provider, requests approval of \$1600.00 plus labor to purchase hard drives to update server. Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the purchase of hard drives. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp.

After discussion Councilman Ghormley moved to postpone the decision. Motion was seconded by Councilman Schoneboom. Motion failed 2-3. Councilman's Ghormley and Schoneboom voted in favor. Councilman's Claycamp, Swift and Smith voted against.

Original motion by Councilman Schoneboom to approve the purchase passed 3-2. Councilman's Claycamp, Swift and Smith voted in favor. Councilman's Schoneboom and Ghormley voted against.

Council discussed procedure for IT decisions.

Adjourn

Councilman Swift moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 5-0.