

CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 15, 2018
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on January 15, 2018, with Mayor Matt C. Childers presiding. Council present were Cale Magruder, Eric Birk, Jamie Crum, Paul Belt, Tom Leffler, Justin Londagin and David Bates. Councilman Rawlings was absent. Also present: City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Clerk Erica Jones. Visitors present were: Belinda Larsen, John Goines, Karen Berry, Mike Stump, Connie Thurman, Aaron Wells, Jeremy Lawson, Kathy McClure, and Paul Andrews.

Ceremonial Swearing In of New Councilmembers: New Councilmembers David Bates and Eric Birk were officially sworn in on January 8, 2018 pursuant to state statute. City Clerk Erica Jones administered the Oath of Office as new members take their seat.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer: Pastor Paul Andrews, Life Church, gave the invocation.

Minutes: Leffler made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2, 2018 City Council meeting and January 8, 2018 Special Meeting. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance 12B: Belt made a motion to approve Ordinance #12B dated 12/28/2017. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Business:

Discussion of City Lake Road Construction Project: Council reviewed and discussed the status of the East City Lake Road construction project and provided direction to staff how to proceed.

Leffler made a motion to table the agenda item until February 5, 2018 after the citizens present have spoken. Londagin seconded the motion.

John Goines, 14 Oak, addressed the governing body. Goines stated that the speed limit is 20 MPH and that there is no dust up there. He stated there are places along the lake road that the chip seal will wash out of and that it is a waste of time and money. He asked if the City going to clear the road of snow and suggested a traffic count to see how many people use the road. Goines stated there are better uses of the money elsewhere in town.

Jeremy Lawson, 600 E 12th, addressed the governing body. Lawson stated he is not for it or against it, but just wanted to learn more about the project.

Aaron Wells, 2907 Lakeshore Drive, addressed the governing body. Wells stated that he disagreed with Goines and asked if there is a convenient way to get the council photos of what I have observed at the lake. Childers encouraged Wells to submit the pictures to Josh Shaw.

Motion carried with Crum, Belt and Magruder voting in opposition.

North Ohio Street Study Draft Scope of Services: Council reviewed draft scope of services prepared by City Engineer Schwab Eaton regarding a concept study for North Ohio Street and provided feedback to the engineer and city staff regarding the scope of the project to be voted on at a later date. Consensus of the council is to move ahead as is.

Audit of Financial Statements for Year Ending December 31, 2017: Londagin made a motion to award the audit of the City's financial statements for the year ending December 31, 2017 to George, Bowerman & Noel, P.A. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Resolution No. 2018-02 Authorizing the Sale of the City of Augusta State Historical Tax Credits Generated by the Frisco Depot Project and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the Related Documents: Leffler made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-02 authorizing the sale of the City of Augusta state historical tax credits generated by the Frisco Depot Project and authorizing the City Manager to execute the related documents. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Election of President of The Council: Crum made a motion to elect Rawlings as President of the Council. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Governing Body Appointments to the Park Advisory Board: Londagin made a motion to appoint Eric Birk and David Bates to fill the City Council seats on the Park Advisory Board. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

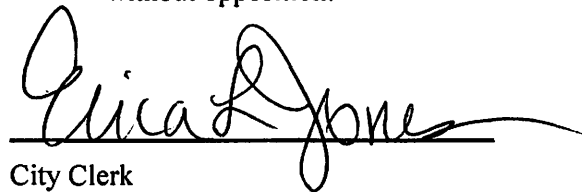
Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

Childers: Childers stated that Lisa Daniels is celebrating 20th anniversary of service at the Augusta Public Library. Childers also stated that Dr. Black has cancelled school for tomorrow.

Londagin: Londagin told everyone to be safe tonight and tomorrow. He encouraged those needing assistance to reach out to a church, the Augusta Caring Center or the Augusta Department of Public Safety.

Leffler: Leffler encouraged citizens to be safe. He stated there have been kids and adults walking out on the lake on the ice and stated that if he sees someone doing that he will call 911.

Adjourn: At 7:43 p.m., Bates made a motion to adjourn. Londagin seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.


City Clerk