

CITY COUNCIL  
OCTOBER 2, 2017  
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on October 2, 2017, with Mayor Matt C. Childers presiding. Council present were Jason Lowery, Cale Magruder, Jamie Crum, Belt, Mike Rawlings, Tom Leffler and Justin Londagin. Council members Belt and Reavis were absent. Also present: City Manager Josh Shaw, City Attorney Austin Parker, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Clerk Erica Jones. Visitors present were: Belinda Larsen, John Black, Olivia Haselwood, Connie Thurman, Eric Meyer and Mike Stump.

Pledge of Allegiance

Prayer: Pastor Cale Magruder, First Southern Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

Minutes: Rawlings made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 18, 2017 City Council meeting. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance 9A: Londagin made a motion to approve Ordinance #9A dated 9/20/2017 amended to remove the payment to Martin, Pringle, Oliver and Wallace. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Business:

Presentation of 2016 Audit: Eric Meyer with the City's auditing firm of George, Bowerman & Noel, P.A. presented the City's 2016 audited financials. Lowery made a motion to approve the 2016 Audited Financials as presented. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Approval of Low Bid for Public Restroom Construction in Garvin Park: Londagin made a motion to approve the low bid from Sauerwein Construction to construct two public restrooms in Garvin Park for a base cost of \$629,800, Alternate Bid Item No. 1 from Sauerwein Construction for the installation of two coiling counter doors at the concession stand in the amount of \$6,900, Alternate Bid Item No. 3 from Sauerwein Construction for soil re-conditioning contingent upon soil tests in the amount of \$6,700, and Alternate Bid Item No. 5 from Sauerwein Construction for the installation of two pass-thru windows at the concession stand in the amount of \$8,100 for a total of \$651,500. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried with Magruder voting in opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

Leffler: Leffler asked if anything has been done recently with regard to the milfoil in the City Lake. He asked if anyone has checked upstream to see if their problems are coming into our lake. Shaw stated that regardless of where it came from it is in our lake and we will not be able to get rid of it. He stated we have treated it with chemicals and the last discussion was to try a mechanical method for removing it. Shaw stated a tool was purchased to help clear it out a need to look at bigger mechanical piece of equipment for removing it. Shaw stated we have an infestation that we will probably have until the end of time. Staff's current thought is to use the money sitting in the project fund to purchase larger mechanical equipment for removal. Shaw stated that since the funds are in a project fund it could be used without waiting for budget approval. Leffler asked if the milfoil would have an impact on our use of the lake for drinking water. Shaw stated it could have a long-term impact to the ecosystem if it grows and continues to expand, especially when it comes to capacity. He stated those ecosystem changes would include less sunlight, changes in

the fish, changes in algae, etc. Shaw stated he believes mechanical removal is our best option over use of chemicals.

Leffler stated that he brought up cyber security the last couple of meetings and that both Butler Community College and Butler County have been hit with cyber-attacks recently. He stated the League is having a webinar on cyber security later this month. He stated that he knows there are no funds available, but we really need to look at it.

Childers: Childers reviewed the schedule for the City Manager's annual review.

Shaw reminded council of work session scheduled October 9 to discuss Public Works Building.

At 7:46 p.m. Lowery made a motion to go into executive session for a period of 40 minutes to discuss matters related to the performance of a nonelected City employee pursuant to the "discuss personnel matters of nonelected personnel" justification for executive meetings under the Kansas Open Meetings Act, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), and to invite in City Manager Josh Shaw and City Attorney Austin Parker. The open meeting will resume in the City Council chambers at 8:26 p.m. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

At 8:26 p.m., Lowery made a motion to exit executive session where no action was taken. Rawlings seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Adjourn: At 8:27 p.m., Londagin made a motion to adjourn. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

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City Clerk