

CITY COUNCIL
JULY 18, 2016
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on July 18, 2016, with Mayor Matt Childers presiding. Council present were Cale Magruder, Jamie Crum, Paul Belt, Tom Leffler, Mike Rawlings, Justin Londagin and Ron Reavis. Councilman Lowery was absent. Also present: City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims, Public Works Director Jaime Goering and City Clerk Erica Jones. Visitors present were: Belinda Larsen, Sarah Hoefgen, Connie Thurman, Rose Mary Saunders, Nick McClure, Dana Hubbard, Denise Loper, and Brad Loper.

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 July 5, 2016 Council meeting and the July 11, 2016 Budget Work Session. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance 7: Leffler made a motion to approve Ordinance 7 in the amount of \$1,267,856.78. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Business:

Public Hearing to Provide Information For the Proposed KDHE State Revolving Loan: A public hearing was conducted for the proposed Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE) Revolving Loan to consider the solution and cost estimates for meeting sanitary sewer needs for the residents of Augusta. Public Works Director Jaime Goering and Rose Mary Saunders with Ransom Financial gave a presentation on the various improvements and the areas being considered. The public hearing was closed after no one from the public came forward with comments.

Engineering Design Services Agreement for Topographical Survey for Shryock Park and Garvin Park: Reavis made a motion to approve the topographic survey proposal with Schwab Eaton in the amount of \$9,800 for the survey of the Shryock Park Rain Garden, Shryock Park Parking Lot, Garvin Park, and Garvin Park Parking Lot D subject to legal review. Magruder seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Acceptance of General Warranty Deeds for Right of Way Acquisition Related to the South Ohio Project: Reavis made a motion to approve warranty deeds from Mary Erma Bryan, 666 N. Santa Fe; Anna L. Wallace, 350 E. Main; Dennis Dodds Revocable Trust, 676 E Frisco; Michael and Vicky Moore, 400 E. Main; Kevin Unrein, 678 E Frisco Unit B; Linda Winzer, 678 E Frisco; and City of Augusta, Frisco, Ohio/Frisco, and 1301 N. Ohio for right of way acquisition for the South Ohio Project. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Bid Award for Demolition of Condemned Real Property Located at 326 North Walnut Street: Magruder made a motion to approve the low bid from Butler County Backhoe Service, LLC in the amount of \$2,500 to demolish the structure located at 326 North Walnut Street and make the property safe and secure pursuant to K.S.A. 12-1754. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Update on Condemnation of Real Property Located at 606 East 12th Avenue: Assistant City Manager Cody Sims provided an update on the condemnation of 606 East 12th Avenue. Property owner Denise Loper stated she has a contract with Unruh House Moving, Inc. to move the home. Loper stated that because of the rain the structure will not be able to be moved until September. Magruder made a motion to table this item until September 19, 2016. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Revised Flood Levee Mowing Agreement with Superior Landscape Management, Inc.: Leffler made a motion to approve the revised flood levee mowing agreement with Superior Landscape Management, Inc. effective through October 31, 2016. Londagin seconded the motion. Motion carried with Reavis voting in opposition.

Grant Agreement Between the City of Augusta and the Federal Aviation Administration For Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Project No. 3-20-006-017-2016 at the Augusta Municipal Airport: Leffler made a motion to approve the Grant Agreement Between the City of Augusta and the Federal Aviation Administration For Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Project No. 3-20-006-017-2016 at the Augusta Municipal Airport. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

Leffler made a motion to schedule Budget Work Session #3 for 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 25, 2016 to discuss the 2017 Budget. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Reavis: Reavis asked if a fire remodel permit was pulled for a house located at 1715 Cron. He asked if any inspections been done on that property. Sims stated a permit has been pulled; there has not been an inspection yet to his knowledge. Reavis stated he would like to get the clock ticking on this property because the back side of the property is not secured. Sims stated the clock is already ticking and we have the ability to inspect it now.

Reavis stated that in the westbound lanes of 7th Avenue there is a 30 mph sign east of Osage, but not another one until you get past Walnut and in front of The Shop. Reavis asked if larger 30 mph signs can be installed so they are more visible. Goering stated she would check with KDOT about the spacing of the signs, but that she didn't think their regulations would allow larger signs.

Leffler: Leffler saw some things on social media about the cemetery looking unsightly and that he agreed when he drove by Saturday night. But Leffler stated that the weather has been uncooperative and is making it difficult to get in there and get it mowed. He also stated that we are short staffed. Leffler stated that the cemetery accounts for 33 acres, the size of 25 football fields, and there are 5,000 monuments. He stated that is the distance from the Senior Center to Santa Fe Lake Road that has to be weed whipped. Leffler stated that we cannot control the weather and asked to give them a break and a little time to get it back under control.

Adjourn: At 8:09 p.m. Londagin made a motion to adjourn. Rawlings seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

City Clerk