

CITY COUNCIL
MAY 21, 2018
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on May 21, 2018, with Mayor Mike Rawlings presiding. Council present were Cale Magruder, Eric Birk, Paul Belt, Tom Leffler, Kip Richardson and David Bates. Council members Jamie Crum and Justin Londagin were absent. Also present: City Manager Josh Shaw, City Attorney Austin Parker, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims, Director of Public Safety Bob Sage and City Clerk Erica Jones. Visitors present were: Susan Smith, Kate Bosserman, Anthony Craft, Rod Davis, Belinda Larsen, Connie Thurman, John Black, Lyle Clark, Eric Grooms, Ron Reavis, and Marleen Winzer.

Oath of Office:

City Clerk Erica Jones administered the Oath of Office to Kip Richardson who was sworn in as a Council member for Ward 3 to fill the unexpired term of Mike Rawlings.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Minutes: Magruder made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 7, 2018 City Council meeting. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance 5A: Leffler made a motion to approve Ordinance 5A dated 5/16/2018. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Visitors:

Presentation of retirement plaque to City Mechanic Lyle Clark who officially retired from the City in late April after 17 years of service.

Ron Reavis, 803 Lakepoint Drive, was present to discuss his request on behalf of the homeowners association in Lakeside 6th addition to donate land for public park space. Eric Grooms, representing Augusta Developers, LLC, was present to discuss the original intent of the developers to donate the land to the City as a green space park.

At 7:27 p.m., Belt made a motion to recess for 10 minutes to address audio issues. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

At 7:37 p.m., the meeting reconvened.

Council directed staff to look for documentation about the original plans, discuss with adjoining property owners and report back to the Council for future action.

Business:

Bid Award for Police Vehicles: Leffler made a motion approve a bid award to Shawnee Mission Ford in the amount of \$44,160 after trade-in allowance for two Ford Explorers with the stipulation that they be delivered to the Safety Department. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Water System Interconnection Agreement with Rural Water District #4: Leffler made a motion to approve an interconnection agreement with Rural Water District #4 for sale of water with the City of Augusta serving as a back-up water supply. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Park Advisory Board Recommendations for Canine Swim Event at Municipal Pool and Free Fishing Days at Augusta City Lake: Magruder made a motion to accept the Park Advisory Board's recommendation to approve a canine swim event at the Augusta Municipal Swimming Pool at the conclusion of the 2018 swimming season and direct staff to bring back more details at a later date. Bates seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Magruder made a motion to accept the Park Advisory Board's recommendation to approve the Free Fishing Days at Augusta City Lake on June 2-3, 2018. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Fee Schedule Resolution 2018-13: Belt made a motion to Fee Schedule Resolution 2018-13 amending user fees at Santa Fe Lake. Bates seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

City Manager: Magruder made a motion to authorize the use of \$5,000 on the insurance dividend check proceeds for the creation of three prototype outdoor hammocks to be installed in Shryock Park. Bates seconded the motion. Motion carried with Belt voting in opposition.

Council consensus was to authorize the City Manager to submit two applications for the League of Kansas Municipalities' brand new Inspire-Create-Innovate awards for the Destination Shryock Park and Glow in the Dark Disc Golf Course Projects.

Council consensus was given to schedule a ribbon-cutting event for the Ohio Street Project for Thursday, May 24 at 5:30 p.m.

Council consensus was given to schedule a ribbon-cutting event for the renovated pool house and new pergola structure at Augusta Municipal Swimming Pool for Friday, May 25 at 5:30 p.m.

Magruder made a motion to schedule the first budget work session for Tuesday, June 5 at 6 p.m. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Council consensus was given for staff to accept the 40-day change order with regard to damages related to the South Ohio Project and the four days the contractor is disputing.

City Attorney Austin Parker: Parker stated he was asked to speak Monday and Wednesday nights from 6-9 at a class for Wichita State University. Parker stated that his brother Bryant Parker would be attending those council meetings in his stead.

Rawlings: Magruder made a motion to approve the orange and black color scheme for the downtown playground. Belt seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Belt: Belt stated that he attended the 66th Annual Band-o-Rama and he is always amazed by the quality of the performance by the kids and stated how proud he was of all of them.

Leffler: Leffler stated there is a pile of gravel on Augusta Avenue at entrance of Garvin Park. Shaw stated it was possible that it was for Basin A repairs by the contractor, but stated he will verify that.

Leffler asked what we are going to do to maintain the cleanup work that was done around the lake. He stated there are tree stumps with sprouts 3-4 feet high. Leffler stated he witnessed city crews mowing the area today and they were really rough with the bat wing mower. He stated that someone needs to talk to the staff before something is torn up by plowing into stumps and rocks and that we need to look at a way of maintaining what we did to make the lake look so nice this past winter. Sims stated he would definitely address this.

Adjourn: At 8:49 p.m., Bates made a motion to adjourn. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

City Clerk