

CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 1, 2019
7:00 P.M.

The Council of the City of Augusta, Kansas met in regular session on April 1, 2019, with Mayor Mike Rawlings presiding. Council present were Cale Magruder, Eric Birk, Jamie Crum, Bob Bailey, Tom Leffler, Kip Richardson, Ron Reavis and Felicia Martindale. Also present: City Attorney Austin Parker, City Manager Josh Shaw, Assistant City Manager Cody Sims and City Clerk Erica Jones. Staff Present: Susan Smith. Visitors present were: Belinda Larsen, John Black, Connie Thurman, Matt Ward, Gwyn Birk, Willis Wilson, Tony Madrigal and Heather Holmes.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Minutes: Richardson made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2019 City Council meeting. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Ordinance: Richardson made a motion to approve Ordinance 3A dated 3/20/2019. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Visitors:

Gwyn Birk, representing Augusta Arts Council, was present to request use of the 500 Block of State Street for a Block Party associated with the showing of the Back to the Future Trilogy on May 11, 2019. Crum made a motion to approve the request use of the 500 Block of State Street for a Block Party associated with the showing of the Back to the Future Trilogy on May 11, 2019. Birk seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Heather Holmes, 1156 Ohio, addressed the governing body regarding the blessings box formerly located at 1409 Ohio. She asked permission for the box be located at the Parks Department and stated she would continue maintain it. Magruder made a motion to allow placement of the blessings box at the Parks Department and for Holmes to coordinate with staff for placement. Martindale seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Business:

Ordinance No. 2147 Zoning District Reclassification for Property Located at 1900 North Custer Lane: Magruder made a motion to approve the Augusta Planning Commission's recommendation to approve a zoning district reclassification from R-5 Planned Residential Subdivision to R-1 Single-Family Dwellings for property located at 1900 North Custer Lane by adopting Ordinance No. 2147. Crum seconded the motion. Roll Call: Birk Yes, Magruder Yes, Bailey Yes, Crum Yes, Richardson Yes, Leffler Yes, Reavis Yes and Martindale Yes. Motion carried.

2019 Airport Liability Insurance Bids: Leffler made a motion to accept the bid from Old Republic for Airport liability coverage in the premium amount of \$1,381. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Wastewater Treatment Plant SCADA System Panels Bids: Magruder made a motion to award the low bid from Norberg IES, LLC of Tulsa in the amount of \$109,460 for Wastewater Treatment Plant SCADA system panels and to waive the requirements related to performance and material payment bonds. Reavis seconded the motion. Motion carried with Leffler voting in opposition.

Matters From/For Council and Informational Memorandum:

City Manager: Leffler made a motion to schedule a City Council strategic retreat on Saturday April 27th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Community National Bank upstairs meeting room for teambuilding, board development and strategic planning. Richardson seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Reavis made a motion to receive and file a Housing Discrimination informational presentation. Crum seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Staff provided an update on the Park Advisory Board discussions regarding horsepower limitations at Augusta City Lake and Skate Park planning.

Reavis: Reavis asked if the discussion on the lights took place at the park advisory board meeting. Sims stated it would be on the agenda of an upcoming meeting.

Richardson: Richardson asked Sims if he had anything he wanted to report about the pool deck surfacing. Sims stated he likes the 5191 grit; it will better suit us when wet. He said he is waiting on quote from one last company. He said now it is just a process of reviewing funding options. Shaw stated that nothing is built into the budget for this, so the pride & progress fund is the only place available to pull funds from. They stated they are doing that analysis now. Sims stated procurement would take about three weeks with one to two weeks for installation. He stated that diving board has been received and will be installed after the deck is surfaced and the inside of the swimming pool will be painted a light blue color in the coming weeks before the pool opens to the public for the season.

Magruder: Magruder stated that a couple events brought before the Council have been repeat events. He asked why they are being presented at the meetings if they are repeat events. Shaw stated that it could be due to a date change, such as the Brick Street Festival. He stated the event presented tonight is not an annual event and they asked for street closure this year.

Magruder stated that he is super encouraged in how we are engaging different voices and not rushing into decisions on Park Board items.

Executive Session:

At 8:08 p.m. Richardson made a motion to recess into executive session for 45 minutes to discuss an individual employee's performance to conduct the City Manager's quarterly performance evaluation check in pursuant to the non-elected personnel matter exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1). Richardson asked that the City Manager Josh Shaw join the Council in executive session. The governing body will reconvene in the Council Chambers at 8:53 p.m. Martindale seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

At 8:53 p.m. Richardson made a motion to exit executive session where no action was taken. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

Adjourn: At 8:53 p.m., Richardson made a motion to adjourn. Leffler seconded the motion. Motion carried without opposition.

/s/Erica L. Jones, City Clerk