

City Council Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2024

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Debi Schwertfeger called the regular City Council Meeting to order. Council members present were Jason Booker, Mark Berner, Nathan Adams, and Sharon Haun also present were the City Administrator Nick Jones and City Attorney's Brian Henderson and Molly Priest, Others attending were Jan Sciacca, Vernon Hay, Andy Benning, Ryan McDonald, Taylor Adams, and Kelly Judd.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION:

Mayor Schwertfeger

CONSENT AGENDA

Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented in the packet. Councilperson Sharon Haun seconded the motion. Motion Carried 4 – 0 The consent agenda consisted of:

- July 2, 2024, Minutes
- July 2, 2024, to Current Appropriations.
- Cabin Transfers: G-1

OLD BUSINESS

• **Planning and Zoning Commission: Discussion**

Discussion was held regarding the roles of the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Inspector Stan Bartley. Members of the Planning and Zoning Commission that attended the meeting were Andy Benning, Vernon Hay, Trent Sigle, Taylor Adams. City Inspector Stan Bartley presented two handouts to the Council, the 2020 Kansas Statutes as it relates to the Planning Commission and what construction and building inspectors do. Discussion was also held regarding moving from the 2015 Building Codes to the 2018 Building Codes. After much discussion the City Inspector and the Planning and Zoning Commission will have a work study to make recommendations to the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

• **City Anti-Bullying Resolution 071624-01:**

City Attorney Brian Henderson presented Anti-Bullying Resolution 071624-01 for adoption. The Resolution defines different types of bullying and the process of reporting those incidents. All participants, spectators or volunteers are subject to possible removal or suspension from city sponsored activities. After discussion a motion was made by Jason Booker with spectators being added to the resolution. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Sharon Haun. Motion Carried 4 – 0

• **LMI Survey Questions: Example**

City Administrator Nick Jones presented the LMI Sample Survey that Government Assistance Services (GAS) will use for the upcoming door to door census survey starting on Monday July 22nd. The purpose of the survey is to redo the 2020 census, which currently does not qualify the city for Community Development Block Grants (CDBG). The survey is confidential.

• **Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent:**

City Administrator Nick Jones presented the Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent along with the 2025 City Budget Approval. The hearings are set for September 3, 2025, at 5:30pm in City Hall. The revenue Neutral Rate is 66.747 mills, and the city is proposing a mill levy decrease from 70.037 mills to 67 mills. After discussion Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to approve the Notice of Revenue Neutral Rate Intent and approval of 2025 budget. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Nathan Adams. Motion carried 4 – 0


• **Executive Session: Attorney Client Privilege – City Lake – Pat Rioden**

Councilperson Jason Booker made a motion to go into Executive Session for Attorney Client Privilege for the City Lake with Attorney Pat Rioden, Mayor, City Council, City Attorney's and City Administrator for 20 minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Nathan Adams. Motion Carried 4 – 0 No action was taken.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- **Mayor Debi Schwerdtfeger** – Thanked asked Mindy Andreas if she needed help water the flowers she planted on the Riverwalk.
- **Councilperson Mark Berner** – N/A
- **Councilperson Denise Hartman** – Absent
- **Councilperson Sean Honer** – Absent
- **Councilperson Nathan Adams** – N/A
- **Councilperson Sharon Haun** – N/A
- **Councilperson Jason Booker** – N/A
- **City Attorney Brian Henderson** – N/A
- **Assistant City Attorney Molly Priest** – N/A
- **City Administrator Nick Jones** – informed the Council that the City Police boat has a City Lake Sticker since May of this year and placed over previous stickers and not on the side of the bow. Police Chief Shawn Wangerin also determined that the city is not required to have a KA number from Kansas Wildlife and Parks since it is owned and operated by a government agency on the lake owner by the city. The city went ahead and registered the boat if Kansas Wildlife and Parks ever needed assistance on a lake not owner by the city.

Mayor Schwerdtfeger asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Berner made a motion to adjourn. Councilperson Haun seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 – 0



Debi Schwerdtfeger Mayor

ATTEST: 

Nick Jones City Administrator

