

**CITY OF MERIDEN
APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 12, 2019**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:03 PM

THOSE PRESENT

Council Members: Floyd Cozadd BJ Whiteman Richard White Ken Parker
Dana Boyer, Mayor Carrie Daniels, City Clerk Lee Hendricks, City Attorney

NOT PRESENT

Council Members: Jackie Cummings

NEW BUSINESS

Mike Inman with VineLife Ministries is hosting (20) twenty church's to come together for a community to provide services for those needing help. There will be about 125 to 175 people helping. They have rented the City Park on June 1, 2019 to provide meals for those who work. Mayor Boyer relayed that James Wells and Matt Williams in Maintenance Department can possibly assist with names. Lee Hendricks, City Attorney relayed there will be nuisance violations come the month of May, 2019 and maybe Chief of Police, Jason Boyer could help with that. City Wide Clean Up times were discussed too!

Call Shawn Ball and check on dumpsters and what the cost would be, also check with Richard White as he knows someone with dumpsters. Mayor Boyer thanked Mike and Karen Inman for coming.

Bryce Farrant with Kansas Turf was present to discuss the voluntary annexation they submitted to the city and discussion was held on sewer extension to the property. Lee's recommendation to council is to have everything lined out cost wise and revisit this because of cost, the city needs to discuss once costs are received.

Haleigh Kammerer with the Jefferson West Ball Association was present to discuss the following:

1. Bathrooms - They are replacing the concession stands and bathrooms.
2. Jefferson West Ball Association would like to have alcohol at Frank Lacey Field April 26th, 2019 and April 27, 2019, for Old Glove Classic Ball Tournament held from 6 pm to 11 pm on April 26, 2019 and 8 am to midnight on April 27, 2019.

Lee Hendricks will draft a resolution for alcohol in Frank Lacey Field and bring to the next meeting for review.

Discussion regarding sewer laterals for bathrooms at Frank Lacey Field led to setback requirements to property lines and other issues.

Motion was made by Richard White, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to supply (2) two handicap Johnny on the Jobs for "Old Glove Classic" Softball Tournament at Frank Lacey Field, April 26, 2019 and April 27, 2019. Motion passed 4-0.

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NEW BUSINESS – CON'T

Motion was made by Richard White, seconded by BJ Whiteman, for sub-committee to work with the Jefferson West Ball Association. Following people volunteered to be on sub-committee: Richard White, Ken Parker, Matt Williams and Haleigh Kammerer. Motion passed 4-0.

Sub-committee will meet on March 27, 2019 to discuss renovation of ADA compliant bathrooms at Frank Lacey Field for April 26, 2019 and April 27, 2019.

Jefferson West Ball Association will get drawing of bathrooms that are ADA compliant and talk with Barry White about tying sewer line in.

Jefferson West Ball Association would like to host the Meriden Festival. Alcohol is to be in limited locations as noted when submitting to ABC. Ken Parker asked what the lead time for notification for Meriden Festival and Lee Hendricks relayed 60-90 days.

Wade Schneider, Former Mayor is attending Fort Hayes State University under graduate classes. As a project, he was present to talk about Community 4 Community (C4C) Hunger Insecurity Project. Jefferson County has 2,100 people go hungry out of 18,000. Wade would like to put blessing boxes around Jefferson County and keep count on usage of the blessing boxes.

Motion was made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Richard White, to place a blessing box by flag pole on City property. Motion passed 4-0.

Matt will call in locates for installation of blessing boxes.

Mayor Boyer relayed that John Dewy Learning Academy in Ozawkie, KS will have summer meals for needy as well.

Bolz Insurance Company premium was discussed.

Motion was made by Floyd Cozadd, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to continue with Bolz Insurance Company. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion was made by Ken Parker, seconded by Richard White, to approve Advantage Computer-Jayhawk Court Software Contract for 2019-2020. Motion passed 4-0.

SEWER/TRASH DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS

Brian Vining came to meeting to inform council of his current situation. Brian had his ability exam completed, he is still waiting for workman's compensation and for disability claim. He meets with attorney tomorrow and will advise City Clerk on status. Mayor Boyer asked if he would keep in touch if he cannot pay and come to April meeting.

Motion was made by Richard White, seconded by Ken Parker, to suspend utility late fees until hearing back from Brian Vining. Motion passed 4-0.

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SEWER/TRASH DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS-CON'T

Motion was made by Richard White, seconded by Ken Parker, to send formal dig letter to David Friend/Leanna Snavelly property. Motion passed 4-0.

Council reviewed all other utility accounts and were good with the rest.

An executive session was called for attorney/client privilege confidentiality which started at 8:16 pm to include Lee Hendricks, City Attorney and Mark Bachamp, City Engineer for twenty minutes.

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to extend meeting on additional 15 minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion made by Richard White, seconded by Floyd Cozadd, to extend meeting additional 10 minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

Motion was made by Ken Parker, seconded by BJ White, to continue discussion with Kansas Turf interested in consent for annexation, but concerned about cost to city to extend sewer to location and move to have Ken have conversation with them about that. Motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) has not answered regarding Countryside Square Sewer Lagoon. Lee Hendricks will send letter to KDHE reminding them of the request for Open Records.

POLICE DEPARTMENT TIME

Chief of Police, Jason Boyer handed out a list of Police calls during past month to Council Members for review.

Jason spoke about Blue Valley selling their tornado Sirens on 60 foot metal poles that have battery backup. Some are 3-years old and some are 10-years old. Chief Boyer said the bids came in at \$12,045 a piece, that includes delivery and installation. Discussion held on placement of sirens and will be determined later.

Motion was made by BJ Whiteman, seconded by Richard White, to purchase (2) two sirens and poles for \$24,090. Motion passed 4-0.

Chief Boyer thanked Matt Williams for installing the cameras in both Police Department vehicles which saved the city over \$500.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME

Tube off North Palmberg Street, will be ordered once Jefferson County relays install date.

King Construction will be getting with Matt Williams on rock crushing at lagoon. Matt relayed that he will be filling in areas with rock.

The Old International dump truck is being sold on Purple Wave's auction April 2, 2019.

MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT TIME-CON'T

Mayor Dana Boyer thanked Maintenance Department for the snow removal. Matt relayed backhoe will need another cutting edge, but is fine for now.

ATTORNEY TIME

Lee Hendricks, City Attorney reviewed Personnel Manual in regards to smoking in equipment and nothing was found in manual. Council Members and Lee Hendricks will review the Personnel Manual and revise as they see fit. Carrie Daniels, City Clerk will send each member the Personnel Manual currently in use.

MAYOR TIME

Motion was made by Ken Parker, seconded by Richard White, to honor agreement to pay Matt Williams additional \$1.00 per hour as he passed his Class I Wastewater exam to become a certified wastewater operator. Motion passed 4-0.

APPROVE THE MINUTES

Motion was made by Ken Parker, seconded by Richard White, to approve January 8, 2019, January 23, 2019 and February 12, 2019 minutes. Motion passed 4-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE EXPENDITURES

Motion was made by Floyd Cozadd, seconded by BJ Whiteman, to approve current expenditures. Motion passed 4-0.

Richard White spoke of James Wells having health issues and asked council for patience and understanding.

Ken Parker asked Lee Hendricks about nuisance abatement updates. Lee Hendricks told Ken Parker to get the location of nuisance and Police Department will check to see if there were code violations.

CONTINUE OR ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion was made by Floyd Cozadd, seconded by Richard White, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted by: Jerri Lederer
Jerri Lederer, Assistant City Clerk

