

City of Victoria

Council Minutes

February 21, 2011

Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on February 21, 2011 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Roll Call

Council Members Jan Piesker, Jerry Brungardt, Joe Robben, Leroy Schmidtberger and Kenneth Pfeifer present.

Presiding

The Honorable Mayor Curtis B. Unrein.

Also Present

Russell County News Reporter Bud Brann, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, City Superintendent Julius Windholz, Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel, Chris Dreiling, Jim VonFeldt, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Minutes

Minutes of the January 17, 2011 regular meeting and the January 27, 2011 special meeting were presented for review. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Kenneth Pfeifer to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes from the Victoria Housing Authority and Victoria Volunteer Fire Department were also reviewed.

Warrant Ordinance A-02-11

Ordinance A-02-11, consisting of bills against the City for the month of January was presented for review. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Jan Piesker that Ordinance A-02-11 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Agenda

Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the agenda with modifications of Anderson Street and Jefferson Street.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

13th Street Extension

Chris Dreiling and Jim VonFeldt discussed an issue concerning the placement of extending 13th Street. There is a discrepancy on where exactly the boundary lines and city street easement are. After some research it was discovered the south 25 feet of a portion of 13th Street had been vacated. There are a number of different legal descriptions at the courthouse. The developers will have to angle the street when extending 13th Street into the new development. VonFeldt asked about who would be responsible for the cost of curb and guttering when extending the street and council agreed that the city was responsible for the connecting link. VonFeldt would like to check with his attorney before making any type of formal agreement for the extension of 13th Street.

Police Department Report

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. Councilmember Kenneth Pfeifer was wondering if anything could be done about a property located on Jefferson Street and one located on 8th & Anderson Street. City Attorney Don Hoffman will check on Ordinances that curtail the collection of recycled items on 8th & Anderson and Police Chief Dinkel will check on what ordinances are being violated at the property on Jefferson Street.

City Superintendent Report

City Superintendent Julius Windholz and Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel gave the department report. There was discussion on getting costs for the bigger water line in the new development. Windholz would like to require the NWKDS home to purchase a dumpster. They have excessive amounts of refuse and the individual containers are not large enough to handle all of it. Council was in agreement to sending them a letter and require the purchase of a dumpster within the next 30 days.

Recycling

Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel has been inquiring what other cities are doing for recycling. Many have one larger community that provide dumpsters for other smaller communities that are close by. Rush County may be interested in a partnership with Victoria and council was in agreement to meeting and see what type of partnership could be worked out.

Mower Bids

Riedel also received two mower bids. One from Radke Implement for a cost of \$9,900.00 giving a trade in allowance of \$6,000.00 and one from Carrico for a cost of \$11,047.53 giving a trade in allowance of \$8,500.00. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to purchase the John Deere mower from Carrico Implement for a cost of \$11,047.53 because of the additional cost to convert accessories to fit the Kabota mower.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Fire Department Elections

The Victoria Volunteer Fire Department held their yearly elections. Motion to appoint Verlin Hammerschmidt as Fire Chief, Leon Wellbrock as Assistant Fire Chief and Tim Batt as Secretary by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Resolution C-274

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Joe Robben to approve and adopt Resolution C-274 requesting the Director of Accounts and Reports to waive the requirements of K.S.A.-1120a(a) as they apply to the City of Victoria for the calendar year ending December 31, 2011.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

City Clerk Conference

Consensus of the council was to have City Clerk Mary Pfeifer attend the CCMFOA conference in Wichita March 16 thru 18.

Plumbers License Application

A plumbers license application was submitted for approval by Fritz Braun. All items being in order, Motion to approve the Plumbers License Application for Fritz Braun by Jerry Brungardt, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

VIP Donation

Victoria Interested Parents (VIP) requested a donation from the city for project prom. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to donate \$100.00 to VIP for project prom.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Credit Card Policy

Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the credit card policy with the addition of wording “purchases made for the city”.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Ellis County Coalition Representative

Kurt Dinkel submitted his resignation as the Victoria representative to the Ellis County Coalition for Economic Development. Council felt at this time they will wait to appoint a replacement until the Coalition has decided on what direction they are taking.

Executive Session

7:55 PM Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Jan Piesker to go into executive session for 15 minutes to review applications for the public works assistant position and include City Superintendent Julius Windholz, Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Regular Session

8:10 PM Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Joe Robben to return to regular session.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Special Meeting

A special meeting will be held on Thursday, February 24, 2011 at 6:30 PM to conduct the interviews for the Public Works Position.

Adjournment

All business on hand having been discussed, Motion by Kenneth Pfeifer, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to adjourn the meeting.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Curtis B. Unrein, Mayor

Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk