

City of Victoria

Council Minutes

January 16, 2012

Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on January 16, 2012 at 5:43 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

### **Roll Call**

Council Members Jerry Brungardt, Leroy Schmidtberger and Jan Piesker present.

Absent Kenneth Pfeifer

### **Presiding**

The Honorable Mayor Curtis B. Unrein.

### **Also Present**

Alan Luttrell, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Ruth Marcotte, Jim Pfanenstiel, City Attorney Don Hoffman, City Superintendent Julius Windholz and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

### **Minutes**

Minutes of the December 19, 2011 regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Jerry Brungardt , second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Warrant Ordinance A-01-12**

Ordinance A-01-12, consisting of bills against the City for the month of December was presented for review. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jan Piesker that Ordinance A-01-12 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Agenda**

Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Jerry Brungardt to approve the agenda with modifications of school safety, council attendance, cereal malt beverage application, Allen Street and electrical license application.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Water Tower**

Alan Luttrell from EBH & Associates went over estimates for a new water tower or just adding a pumping station to the existing water system. He reviewed several options that the city could pursue. Both estimates would cost the city between \$650,000 to \$800,000. Council will review the options.

## **Police Department Report**

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. More ammunition will need to be purchased. He also brought up several properties that may need to be condemned. The addresses will be forwarded to City Attorney Don Hoffman so a letter can be sent to the property owners.

## **School Zone Safety**

Councilmember Brungardt questioned Chief Dinkel about the possibility of purchasing and erecting flashing lights in the school zone. There have been instances of drivers not paying attention and driving through the crosswalk even though there is someone standing in them with a stop sign. Councilmember Schmidtberger also requested that stop signs be erected on 12th Street in the new Knights Addition. The cost of the flashing lights will be checked into and the city will put the stop signs up on 12th Street.

## **Retirement Presentation**

City Treasurer Ruth Marcotte retired in November of 2011. The city presented her a plaque and a small token of appreciation for her years of service.

## **City Superintendent Report**

City Superintendent Julius Windholz gave his department report. The lift station has been plugging on a frequent basis. Windholz would like to purchase a new propeller to see if this helps eliminate the problem. Consensus of the council was to go ahead with the purchase to eliminate the problem. Windholz also brought up new street Christmas decorations. After researching the cost of new or refurbished ones it would be more cost effective to have Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel make them. Consensus was to have Riedel make new Christmas decorations.

## **Allen Street**

Councilmember Schmidtberger was wondering if additional gravel or sand could be added to Allen Street once the snow season is over. Windholz said he would get some spread once winter is over.

## **Sign**

Rick Rupp will come to the next meeting with designs for a new sign at the health facility.

## **Ellis Co. Coalition Pledge**

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt to pledge \$1,000.00 to the Ellis County Coalition for Economic Development for the 2012 year.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Plumbing License Applications**

Plumbing license applications were submitted by Weigel Plumbing and McIntyre Plumbing for council approval. All items being in order, Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the plumbing license applications submitted by Weigel Plumbing and McIntyre Plumbing.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Contractors License Applications**

Contractors license applications were submitted by RLS Enterprises and Woodbridge Home Exteriors. All items being in order, Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jan Piesker to approve the contractors license application submitted by RLS Enterprises and Woodbridge Home Exteriors.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Electricians License Applications**

Electricians license applications were submitted by Don's Electric, Hammersmith Electric and Kramer Electric. All items being in order, Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the electricians license applications submitted by Don's Electric, Hammersmith Electric and Kramer Electric.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Cereal Malt Beverage License Application**

A Cereal Malt Beverage application was submitted by Curtis Sander dba Victoria Food and Variety. Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the cereal malt beverage application submitted by Victoria Food & Variety.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Support Letter**

Kansas Rural Water requested a support letter from the city. Consensus of the council was to send the letter. Mayor Unrein will get the letter of support written.

### **Special Meeting**

A special meeting will be held on February 6, 2012 at 5: 30 PM for employee evaluations

### **Council Resignation**

Since Jeff Crawford is residing out of city limits, he is no longer eligible to serve on city council. Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Jerry Brungardt to accept the resignation of Jeff Crawford.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Council Appointment**

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt to appoint Erica Dinges to the vacant council position.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Adjournment**

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

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

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Curtis B. Unrein, Mayor

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Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk