

City of Victoria

Council Minutes

May 20, 2013

Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on May 20, 2013 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Roll Call

Council Members Jan Piesker, Jerry Brungardt, Leroy Schmidtberger, Kenneth Pfeifer and Erica Dinges present.

Presiding

The Honorable Mayor Curtis B. Unrein.

Also Present

Nancy Piatt, City Superintendent Julius Windholz, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, W. Pat Dreiling, Arnita Scheck, Doris Westusin, Irene Dinkel, Cora Knipp, Louise Robben, Laurie Hicks, Cora Lou Ryan, Doris Robben, Charlotte Linsner, Jolene Niernberger, Pat Dreiling, Fire Chief Verlin Hammerschmidt, Jim Pfanenstiel, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Minutes

Minutes of the April 15, 2013 regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes from the Victoria Volunteer Fire Department were also reviewed.

Warrant Ordinance A-05-13

Ordinance A-05-13, consisting of bills against the City for the month of April was presented for review. Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Kenneth Pfeifer that Ordinance A-05-13 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Agenda

Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Jerry Brungardt to approve the agenda with modifications of Jared Scheck and the former rest home property.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Distance Waiver Public Hearing

Motion to open the public hearing for 15 minutes to decide whether or not to waive the distance limitations for selling Cereal Malt Beverages within 200 feet of a church or school for an application submitted by Janice Brungardt/St. Fidelis Church on May 27, 2013 by Leroy Schmidtberger second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Options Funding

Charlotte Linsner with Options reviewed the services that they provide. The city donated \$600.00 last year and she was asking for that consideration again this year. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to donate \$600.00 to Options.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Funding

Jolene Niernberger from the Ellis County Foster Grandparents/Senior Companion Program along with a number of additional members requested funding from the city. Niernberger gave an overview of the program. Motion to continue funding the program at the current rate by Jerry Brungardt, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Close Public Hearing

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges to close the public hearings regarding distance requirements for a Cereal Malt Beverage License.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

St. Fidelis Cereal Malt Beverage Application

A cereal malt beverage application was submitted by Janice Brungardt/St. Fidelis Church, all items being in order and fee submitted, Motion to approve the Cereal Malt Beverage License application for St. Fidelis Church by Erica Dinges, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Watering Allowance

Pat Dreiling requested allowing watering the church lawn on Saturday instead of Sunday with the Stage 2 water warning. Consensus of the council was to keep the watering schedule as is.

City Superintendent Report

City Superintendent Julius Windholz gave his department report. Tires for the trash truck will be purchased and there was discussion on how much can be spent on street sealing.

Executive Session

6:18 PM Motion to go into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel and include City Superintendent Julius Windholz and City Attorney Don Hoffman by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Regular Session

6:28 PM Motion to return to regular session by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Probationary Period

Motion by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to extend the probationary period another 3 months for Robert Schmidt.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Fire Department Report

Fire Chief Verlin Hammerschmidt would like to purchase a piston intake valve for the new fire truck for \$850.00 plus freight. Motion to approve the purchase by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Police Department Report

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. Have received the insurance money for the patrol car.

County Wide Sales Tax

After a short discussion, motion to keep the county wide sales tax that will be generated from the county sales tax increase by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Property Condemnation

A Resolution has been published to condemn Gilbert Riedel property on Cathedral Street. The city will advertise for bids to demolish the house.

Dilapidated Structures

A number of other properties were discussed. Letters will be sent by City Attorney Don Hoffman to get the properties improved and cleaned up.

Donation

Consensus of the council was to not donate to the Fidelisfest Celebration.

Contractors License Application

A contractors license application was submitted by Bruce Schumacher Construction for council approval. All items being in order, Motion to approve the contractors license application submitted by Bruce Schumacher Construction by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Plumbers License Application

A plumbers license application was submitted by Leon's Plumbing for council approval. Motion to approve the plumbers license application submitted by Leon's Plumbing by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Contractors License Application

A contractors license application was submitted by National Catastrophe Restoration Inc. for council approval. Motion to approve the contractors license application submitted by National Catastrophe Restoration Inc. by Jerry Brungardt, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Baseball Field Bases

The Victoria Recreation Commission would like the city to replace the baseball field bases. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges to pay for half of the cost for replacement bases.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Caboose

Council was approached by a couple from Colorado who would like to purchase some of the items inside the caboose. Consensus of the council was to keep the items.

Pfeifer Appointed City Clerk/Treasurer

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Mary Pfeifer for appointment as City Clerk/Treasurer. Motion to appoint Mary Pfeifer as City Clerk/Treasurer by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Windholz Appointed City Superintendent

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Julius Windholz for appointment as City Superintendent. Motion to appoint Julius Windholz as City Superintendent by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Dinkel Appointed Police Chief/Health Officer

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Cole Dinkel for appointment as Police Chief and Health Officer. Motion to appoint Cole Dinkel as Police Chief and Health Officer by Jan Piesker, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Windholz Appointed Building Inspector

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Julius Windholz for appointment as Building Inspector.

Motion to appoint Julius Windholz as Building Inspector by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Riedel & Schmidt Appointed Public Works Assist.

Mayor Unrein offered the names of Terry Riedel and Robert Schmidt for appointment as Public Works Assistants. Motion to appoint Terry Riedel and Robert Schmidt as Public Works Assistants by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Mauch Appointed Patrol Officer

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Ryan Mauch for appointment as Patrol Officer. Motion to appoint Ryan Mauch as Patrol Officer by Jan Piesker, second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Hoffman Appointed City Attorney

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Don Hoffman for appointment as City Attorney. Motion to appoint Don Hoffman as City Attorney by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jan Piesker,

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Pruitt Appointed City Judge

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Don Pruitt for appointment as Municipal Judge. Motion to appoint Don Pruitt as Municipal Judge by Jerry Brungardt, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Goetz Appointed Utilities Clerk

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Maria Goetz for appointment as Utilities Clerk. Motion to appoint Maria Goetz as Utilities Clerk by Erica Dinges, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Goetz Appointed Zoning Administrator

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Maria Goetz for appointment as Zoning Administrator. Motion to appoint Maria Goetz as Zoning Administrator by Jan Piesker, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Russell County News Official Newspaper

Mayor Unrein offered the name of Russell County News as the official newspaper. Motion to designate Russell County News as the official newspaper by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jan Piesker.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Sunflower & Gorham Bank Official Depositories

Mayor Unrein offered the names of Sunflower Bank and Gorham State Bank as official depositories. Motion to designate Sunflower Bank and Gorham State Bank as official depositories by Jerry Brungardt, second by Kenneth Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

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

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Curtis B. Unrein, Mayor

Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk