

City of Victoria
Council Minutes
August 21, 2017
Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on August 21, 2017 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Roll Call

Council Members Jerry Brungardt, Leroy Schmidtberger, Dustin Schumacher, and Dave Gagnon present. Erica Dinges absent.

Presiding

Honorable Mayor Jerry Kanzenbach.

Also Present

Nancy Piatt, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Jim Pfanenstiel, Ryan Lichter, Harland Rupp, John Schulte, Lori Milke, David Ottley, Mark Karst, Karen Nowak, Haley Robben, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Public Hearing 2018 Budget

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Dustin Schumacher to open the public hearing for the 2018 budget.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes

Minutes of the July 17, 2017 regular meeting and August 8, 2017 special meeting were presented for review. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Warrant Ordinance A-08-17

Ordinance A-08-17, consisting of bills against the City for the month of July was presented for review. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Dave Gagnon that Ordinance A-08-17 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Agenda

Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to approve the agenda with modifications of Rec Commission question

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Police Department Report

Police Department Report by Chief Cole Dinkel. New computers have been picked up and are being programed for the police department. Speed board may be something to purchase to curtail speeding. For now the city will move one of the kids at play signs to see if that helps.

Pool Managers

Pool Managers Karen Nowak and Haley Robben gave a report on updating the pool. Larkin Aquatics inspected the pool and presented some ideas for improvements. Nowak will check on dates to have him attend a city council meeting to answer questions and provide additional information to the council.

City Superintendent

City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. Working to get the additional drives installed at the reservoir. Also, getting the pool drained for the winter shut down and weed spraying along the streets.

Public Comments

Public Comments: Lori Milke from Total Convenience spoke to council about how high her water bill has gone since the water rate increase.

Close Public Hearing

Motion to close the public hearing for the 2018 budget by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 nays, Motion declared carried.

Water Rates

The cost of water for the school district was discussed. There were some inconsistencies in the matrix that was prepared. Council would like to see the top tier cost reduced and costs not be retroactive. City Attorney Don Hoffman will get a new ordinance prepared and there will be a special meeting for approval of the ordinance on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

2016 Audit Report

Rex Ball with Adams Brown Beran and Ball presented the 2016 Audit Report. Motion to approve the 2016 Audit and management letter by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

2018 Budget

Motion to approve the 2018 budget with a mill levy of 45.873 and expenditures of \$1,669,893 by Dave Gagnon, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Refuse Service

Ideal refuse submitted a proposal for the city trash service. Costs would be higher with the service. Council did not take any action.

Credit Card & Online Payments

With more requests for credit card and online payments, Council was in agreement into looking at this service through Kansas Information Consortium. The service fee for using a credit card or online payment would be passed on to the customer. Will be tabled until the next meeting.

Alumni Donation

Motion to give a donation of \$100 to the Victoria Alumni Association by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Fire Department Appointments

The names of Dylan Kuhn and Grant Weber were submitted for approval to the Victoria Fire Department. Motion to appoint Dylan Kuhn and Grant Weber for appointment to the Victoria Fire Department by Jerry Brungardt, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Fall Clean up

Dumpsters will be available at the compost site for a fall cleanup on October 6,7 & 8. Times will be posted when it gets closer.

Executive Session

6:36 PM Motion to go into executive session for the evaluation of City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger for 5 minutes and include City Attorney Don Hoffman and Schmidtberger by Dustin Schumacher, second Dave Gagnon.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Regular Session

6:41 PM Motion to return to regular session by Dustin Schumacher, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Salary Increase

Motion to increase the salary of City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger by \$2.25 per hour by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Mayors Comments

Mayor Kanzenbach checked with Western Plains Service Corporation on how much longer it will take for the TIF District to be in effect. As of right now it should take about 8 more years to get the specials paid off. One draw back for new homes is not being able to establish new lawns once the home has been built. This issue will be tabled for the next regular city council meeting.

Minutes

Councilmember Brungardt questioned if the city should be receiving minutes from the Rec Commission? In the past they have been submitted to the city to be included in council packets. Fire Department and Housing Authority minutes are also to be sent to the city. Mayor Kanzenbach will speak with the Rec Commission and Housing Authority. Councilmember Dave Gagnon said he would speak with the Fire Department Secretary about the minutes.

Water Bill Allowance

Resident Kerri Wasinger had someone turn her outside faucet on when the family was gone one weekend. She asked for the possibility of a reduction on her water bill for the water that was used that weekend. City Ordinance reads that no allowances shall be allowed for water used or lost through leaks, carelessness and neglect or otherwise after the same has passed through the meter. Council felt the policy needs to be followed regardless of the circumstances.

Adjournment

All business on hand having been discussed, Motion to adjourn the meeting by Dave Gagnon, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Jerry Kanzenbach, Mayor

Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk