

City of Victoria  
Council Minutes  
August 20, 2018  
Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on August 20, 2018 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

**Roll Call**

Council Members Ryan Lichter, Zach Kanzenbach, Harland Rupp, Dustin Schumacher and Erica Dinges present.

**Presiding**

Honorable Mayor John Schulte.

**Also Present**

Nancy Piatt, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Jim Pfanenstiel, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, Rex Ball, Phillip Fishburn, Mike Younger, Darin Myers, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited

**Public Hearing 2019 Budget**

Motion by Dustin Schumacher, second by Zach Kanzenbach to open the Public Hearing for the 2019 Budget.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

**Budget Review**

Rex Ball with Adams, Brown, Beran and Ball reviewed the 2019 budget proposal. Ball answered several questions from the public on the 2019 budget.

**Close the Public Hearing**

Motion to close the public hearing for the 2019 Budget by Erica Dinges, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Public Hearing for Water Project**

Motion to open the public hearing for USDA/Rural Development project to discuss funding to upgrade the water distribution system by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Project Review**

Philip Fishburn with Midwest Assistance Program along with Mike Younger from EBH Engineers gave an overview of the project and gave the public an opportunity to ask questions about the project. There were no questions from the public. A special meeting will be held on August 28, at 5:30 PM for the letter of conditions.

## **Close Public Hearing**

Motion to close the public hearing for USDA/Rural Development funding by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Approval of Minutes**

Minutes of the July 16, 2018 regular meeting, the July 26, 2018 and August 6, 2018 special meetings were presented for review. Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Dustin Schumacher to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes from the Victoria Recreation Commission were also reviewed.

## **Warrant Ordinance A-08-18**

Ordinance A-08-18, consisting of bills against the City for the month of July was presented for review. Motion by Dustin Schumahcer, second by Ryan Lichter that Ordinance A-08-18 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Agenda**

Motion by Erica Dinges, second by Dustin Schumacher to approve the agenda as presented.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Police Department Report**

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. The compost pile and recycling trailers are being used by individuals outside city limits. Consensus of Council was to still allow citizens outside city limits to use the site.

## **Tornado Sirens**

Darin Myers gave an update on the tornado siren cost. He presented a map showing the output of the sirens if the city purchased one or two sirens. Motion by Harland Rupp, second by Zach Kanzenbach to purchase one siren at a cost of \$21,744.56. Consensus of the council was to also leave the 12 noon and 9 PM siren blast.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **City Superintendent Report**

City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. Tower is empty and the new drives have been working. Well #13 is repaired and working.

## **2017 Audit Report**

Rex Ball presented the 2017 audit report. Motion to approve the 2017 Audit Report and management letter by Dustin Schumacher, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Dog Breed Ordinance**

In order for Council Members and City Attorney Don Hoffman to have an opportunity to review what neighboring cities ordinances read concerning breed specific bans or vicious animals, this item will be tabled for the next meeting.

## **Grow Hays Representative**

Several names were mentioned for representatives to Grow Hays. Harland Rupp will talk to several individuals and see if they would be interested in serving as the representative.

## **2019 Budget**

Motion to approve the 2019 Budget with a mill levy of 48.173 and expenditures of \$1,580,887.00 by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

## **Sewer Rate Increase**

Council would like an ordinance prepared raising the base sewer rate by \$1.00. City Attorney Don Hoffman will have an ordinance ready for the rate increase beginning on the first billing in 2019.

### **Open Records Request Form**

City Clerk Mary Pfeifer prepared a new open records request form. Motion to approve the new form by Harland Rupp, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Alumni Donation**

Motion to approve a \$100.00 donation to the Victoria Alumni Association by Ryan Lichter, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Legal Service Agreement**

Motion to approve the Legal Service Agreement with City Attorney Don Hoffman for legal services for the USDA water project by Harland Rupp, second by Erica Dinges.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Knights Game Time**

Consensus of the Council was to decline a sponsorship for the Knights Athletics Game Time Radio.

### **Homecoming Parade**

Several Council members said they would participate in the Victoria Homecoming Parade on September 14. City Clerk Pfeifer will look into getting some banners to put on the RTV that is used.

### **Knights Basketball 5K Run**

Motion to give a \$50.00 donation to the Knights Basketball 5K Run by Ryan Lichter, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Council member Erica Dinges left Council chambers.

### **Executive Session**

7:02 PM Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Dustin Schumacher to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel and include City Attorney Don Hoffman for 3 minutes. The open meeting will resume at 7:05 PM.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Executive Session**

7:05 PM Motion by Dustin Schumacher, second by Ryan Lichter to go into executive session for the evaluation of City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger and include Schmidtberger and City Attorney Don Hoffman for 5 minutes. The open meeting will resume at 7:10 pm.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

### **Executive Session**

7:10 PM Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Dustin Schumacher to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel and include City Attorney Don Hoffman for 3 minutes. The open meeting will resume at 7:13 PM.

### **City Superintendent Salary Increase**

Erica Dinges returned to Council chambers.

Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter to increase the salary of City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger to \$25.25 per hour.

Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstain, Motion declared carried.

### **Adjournment**

All business on hand having been discussed, Motion to adjourn by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

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John Schulte, Mayor

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Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk