

City of Victoria
Council Minutes
October 16, 2017
Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on October 16, 2017 at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Roll Call

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

Presiding

Honorable Mayor Jerry Kanzenbach.

Also Present

Nancy Piatt, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Fire Chief Verlin Hammerschmidt, Jim Pfanenstiel, Harland Rupp, Mark Karst, Nichole White, Delila Brungardt, Ed Tesluk, Sally Tesluk, John Schulte, Ryan Lichter, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger and City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Minutes

Minutes of the September 18, 2017 regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Jerry Brungardt to approve the minutes as submitted.
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Warrant Ordinance A-10-17

Ordinance A-10-17, consisting of bills against the City for the month of September was presented for review. Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Dustin Schumacher that Ordinance A-10-17 be approved and all bills paid.
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Agenda

Motion by Leroy Schmidtberger, second by Erica Dinges to approve the agenda as presented.
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Nicole White-Swine in City Limits

Nicole White lives within city limits and it was brought to the attention of the city that she is currently harboring swine at her residence. White spoke with council about the possibility of keeping her pet pig. It is a city ordinance swine are not allowed in the city limits. Council suggested her speaking with an adjoining property owner that is out of city limits to see if she can keep the pig there. White was asked to return to the next meeting to see if the matter has been taken care of.

Tornado Sirens

Darin Myers with Ellis County Emergency Management was unable to attend the meeting but had spoken with Mayor Kanzenbach inquiring about the tornado sirens. There was some miscommunication about what was agreed upon at a meeting he had previously attended. Funding was also discussed. The issue was tabled to the next meeting.

Police Department Report

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. New brakes need to be installed on the patrol car and these will be repaired. Also, a light sensor has been coming on and Dinkel will look into repairing it. The camera for the patrol pickup is not functioning properly. And the cost of a replacement will be checked into for next year.

Support Letter

Fire Chief Verlin Hammerschmidt asked council to submit a letter of support to the Hays Fire Department when applying for a grant for a training center. The Victoria Fire Department would also be able to use the training center. A letter was drafted and council was in agreement to submit the letter of support.

City Superintendent Report

City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. Curbing in front of the grade school needs to be replaced. To help with future replacement it may be a good idea to have a space between the parking lot and curbing. Getting the water tower repainted in the inside is still on the agenda. A preliminary contract with Trego Water District is being previewed.

Alley Trees

The trees that are on city alley property next to 702 7th were discussed. Roy Rathbun is going to get his property surveyed to find the property lines. If the trees are on city property the city will start the process of cutting them down.

Victoria Housing Appointment

The name of Jim Pfanenstiel was submitted for appointment to the Victoria Housing Authority. Motion to appoint Jim Pfanenstiel to the Victoria Housing Authority Board by Jerry Brungardt, second by Dave Gagnon.

Vote: 4 Ayes 1 Nay, Motion declared carried.

Holiday Hours

This year Veterans Day and Christmas Eve fall on weekends. These are paid holidays. Therefore city hall will be closed on the Friday before both of those holidays.

Oath of Office

It is a State Statute that any new council or mayor candidates must be sworn in on the second Monday in January. Motion by Jerry Brungardt, second by Leroy Schmidtberger to hold the regular monthly council meeting in January on the second Monday instead of the third Monday.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Executive Session

6:07 PM Motion to go into executive session for the yearly evaluation of Nancy Piatt for 5 minutes by Dustin Schumacher, second by Leroy Schmidtberger and include City Clerk Mary Pfeifer.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Regular Session

Motion to return to regular session by Dustin Schumacher, second by Leroy Schmidtberger.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Salary Increase

Motion to increase the salary of Utility Clerk Nancy Piatt by \$0.80 (80) cents per hour by Jerry Brungardt, second by Dustin Schumacher.

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Comments

There were no public comments.

Adjournment

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

Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Jerry Kanzenbach, Mayor

Mary Pfeifer, City Clerk