

City of Victoria
Council Minutes
September 19, 2022
Regular Meeting

The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on September 19, 2022, at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

Roll Call

Present were Council Members Ryan Lichter, Zach Kanzenbach, Harland Rupp. Absent were Council Members Erica Dinges and Matt Orr.

Presiding

Honorable Mayor John Schulte.

Also Present

Nancy Piatt, James Bell, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Jeff Pfeifer, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, Jami Benyshek, City Attorney Don Hoffman and City Clerk Jamie Sterling.

Pledge

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

RNR Public Hearing

Motion to open the hearing for the Revenue Neutral Rate for 2023 by Ryan Lichter, second by Zach Kanzenbach.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Close RNR Public Hearing

Mayor Schulte asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Zach Kanzenbach to close the Revenue Neutral Rate hearing 2023.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

2023 Budget Public Hearing

Motion to open the public hearing for the 2023 Budget by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Close 2023 Budget Hearing

Mayor Schulte asked for any comments from the public. Hearing none, Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp to close the public hearing for the 2023 Budget.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes

Minutes of the August 15, 2022, regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Harland Rupp to approve the minutes as submitted.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Minutes from the Victoria Fire Department and Victoria Housing Authority were also reviewed.

Warrant Ordinance A-08-22

Ordinance A-08-22, consisting of bills against the City for the month of August was presented for review. Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter that Ordinance A-08-22 be approved and all bills paid.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Agenda

Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp to approve the agenda with modifications of the Homecoming Parade.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

2021 Audit Review

Jami Benyshek with Adams, Brown reviewed the 2021 audit. She also went over the 2023 budget. Motion to approve the 2021 audit report by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Victoria Coalition

Jeff Pfeifer spoke on behalf of the rest home redevelopment. Jeff stated they would like to apply for an MIH grant. The max they can apply for is \$650,000.00. The rest would need to come from the City. Jeff did hand out a Resolution he made on his own. City Attorney Don Hoffman is looking into the resolution. Jeff will attend the October Council meeting regarding the MIH application.

Police Department Report

Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. Cole informed the Council he had new tires put on the Durango. He believes he found a dealer in Hutchinson regarding a new Dodge Ram Truck. He stated if its ordered by late October, it would be here in March or April of 2023. Chief Dinkel informed Council their vests are in and they may need to order minor attachments for them.

City Superintendent Report

City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. Brad reported well 16 is online and 15 will be online Wednesday. The reservoir part of the project is the new pumps are here just have to get other things done. Brad stated the tower is at about 75% capacity. There were a few parts needed for the sewer machine and ordered a new one. Brad stated they are hoping to pour curbing to 12th Street and then that portion of the street can be finished. The City rented a crack sealing machine. Brad states our streets are getting bad. He has a company coming through from Wichita to see what it would take to fix or tear out. Brad contacted LaSada regarding trees for the park. They are going out of business. To spade a tree, it will cost \$1,200.00-\$1,500.00 per tree.

Fire Department Report

Fire Department submitted the name of Curtis Clark for approval. Motion by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter to appoint Curtis Clark to the Victoria Fire Department.
Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Resolution C-313

Motion to approve Resolution C-313 pertaining to levying a property tax rate exceeding the revenue neutral rate by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter. The Resolution had to be done by Roll Call Vote. Council Member Ryan Lichter voted for the Resolution. Council Member Harland Rupp voted for the Resolution and Council Member Zach Kanzenbach voted for the Resolution.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Approve 2023 Budget

Motion to approve the 2023 budget with a mill levy of 52.446 and expenditures of \$1,980,020.00 by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Approve Pay Estimate #5

Motion to approve Pay Estimate No. 5 for Downey Drilling by Harland Rupp, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, motion declared carried.

Approve Invoice #14037

Motion to approve invoice #14037 to pay EBH by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, motion declared carried.

Approve Driggs Pay

Motion to approve payment for Driggs Design for Cathedral Avenue Engineering Services by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried

Variance

Victoria Planning Commission held a hearing regarding Variance BZA-V-22-05 for the purpose of constructing a carport. Motion to approve by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

Variance

Victoria Planning Commission held a hearing regarding Variance BZA-V-22-06 for the purpose of constructing a building. Motion to approve by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

Nex-Tech Franchise

It was decided to table the Nex-Tech franchise until the October City Council meeting.

Approve CIC Training

Motion to approve more in-depth CIC training for City Clerk Jamie Sterling by Harland Rupp, second by Zach Kanzenbach.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

Homecoming Parade

It was decided for Council to be a part of the Homecoming parade.

Executive Session

6:29 PM Motion to go into executive session for the 90 day evaluation of Jamie Sterling and include City Attorney Don Hoffman by Ryan Lichter, second by Zach Kanzenbach for 5 minutes.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

Regular Session

6:34 PM Return to regular session.

Salary Increase

Motion by Zach Kanzenbach to increase City Clerk Jamie Sterling by \$2.00 per hour for an hourly rate of \$20.00, second by Harland Rupp.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

Executive Session

6:37 PM Motion to go into executive session regarding Non-Elected Personnel to include Don Hoffman for 7 minutes by Zach Kanzenbach, second by Ryan Lichter.

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

Adjournment

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

Vote: 3 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

John Schulte, Mayor

Jamie Sterling, City Clerk