

City of Victoria  
Council Minutes

April 17, 2023  
Regular Meeting

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The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on April 17, 2023, at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

- Roll Call** Council Members Ryan Lichter, Harland Rupp, Matt Orr and Erica Dinges. Matt Sander, Absent.
- Presiding** Honorable Mayor John Schulte.
- Also Present** Police Chief Cole Dinkel, James Bell, Albert R. Pfeifer, Jeff Pfeifer, Neil Younger, Mary Beth Fisher, Terry Riedel, Ryan Mauch, City Attorney Don Hoffman, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, and City Clerk Jamie Sterling.
- Pledge** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Minutes** Minutes of the March 20, 2023, regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp to approve the minutes as modified.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Warrant Ordinance A-04-23** Ordinance A-04-23, consisting of bills against the City for the month of April was presented for review. Motion by Erica Dinges, second by Matt Orr that Ordinance A-04-23 be approved and all bills paid.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Agenda** Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Erica Dinges to approve the agenda as presented.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Resolution C-318** After a discussion with Albert Pfeifer regarding his property being annexed in to the City, RESOLUTION C-318 PRESCRIBING THE COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF VICTORIA TO ALLOWING THE ANNEXATION OF LAND TO THE CITY OF VICTORIA, KANSAS, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 12-520C OF KANSAS STATUTES ANNOTATED. Motion to approve by Harland Rupp, second by Matt Orr.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Police Department Report** Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. Chief Dinkel informed council the new order on the new Police truck had to be re-created. He also gave his concerns to the council in regards to allowing chickens in city limits. He asked council to not consider the allowance due to lack of knowledge from individuals, the smell and the Police Department already has animal control issues.
- City Superintendent Report** City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. Brad stated he is working with a contractor for Dollar General. Brad commented regarding money they have to work on sewer and water. He had a lift station company come out and look at ours but no decisions have been made. Brad informed council the city crew are preparing for the City wide cleanup in May. Brad informed council he is soliciting bids for the trash truck. Brad attended the KRWA conference in Wichita, KS. He presented a plaque to the Council regarding the City of Victoria being awarded and recognized at the Kansas Rural Water Association for the most Improved Water System.

- APAC** Motion to approve and pay APAC Pay Estimate No. 10 for final billing of \$66,016.27 by Ryan Lichter, second by Matt Orr.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Conditional Use** Council approved the Victoria Community Coalition for Conditional Use BZA-CU-23-01, regarding the St. Johns Nursing Home Renovation. There was a concern regarding bus traffic. There would be no parking on that side of the street. Motion to approve the Conditional Use by Ryan Lichter, second by Harland Rupp.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Civics Project** Motion to approve a donation in the amount of \$250.00 to the Victoria High School Civics Group by Erica Dinges, second by Harland Rupp.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Public Comment** Jeff Pfeifer gave an update on the VCC. He stated they were awarded a Dane G. Hansen Grant for \$500,000.00. Phase 1 would be 12 apartments and the childcare facility. They did not get the MIH Grant this time but they plan to re-apply in June.
- Mayor Comments** There were no Mayor Comments.
- Executive Session** 6:02 PM Motion to go into executive session for 3 minutes for the evaluation of Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel and include City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, Riedel and City Attorney Don Hoffman by Matt Orr, second by Erica Dinges.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Executive Session** 6:05 PM Motion to go into executive session for 3 minutes for the evaluation of Patrol Officer Ryan Mauch and include Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Ryan Mauch and City Attorney Don Hoffman by Matt Orr, second by Erica Dinges.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Executive Session** 6:08 PM Motion to go into executive session for 3 minutes to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel and include Police Chief Cole Dinkel and City Attorney Don Hoffman by Matt Orr, second by Erica Dinges.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Executive Session** 6:11 PM Motion to go into executive session for 3 minutes to discuss personnel issues of non-elected personnel and include City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger and City Attorney Don Hoffman by Matt Orr, second by Erica Dinges.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Regular Session** 6:14 PM Return to regular session.

**Riedel Salary Increase** Motion to increase the salary of Public Works Assistant Terry Riedel from \$25.50 per hour to \$26.25 per hour by Matt Orr, second by Harland Rupp.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

**Mauch Salary Increase** Motion to increase the salary of Patrol Officer Ryan Mauch from \$25.50 per hour to \$26.25 per hour by Erica Dinges, second by Ryan Lichter.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

**Adjournment** All business on hand having been discussed, Motion to adjourn the meeting by Matt Orr, second by Harland Rupp.  
Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.

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John Schulte, Mayor

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Jamie Sterling, City Clerk