

City of Victoria  
Council Minutes

June 19, 2023  
Regular Meeting

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The Governing Body of the City of Victoria met in regular session on June 19, 2023, at 5:30 PM in Council Chambers of City Hall.

- Roll Call** Council Members Ryan Lichter, Harland Rupp, Erica Dinges, Matt Orr, and Matt Sander.
- Presiding** Mayor John Schulte.
- Also Present** Sara Nuss, James Bell, Police Chief Cole Dinkel, Fire Chief John Weber, James Robben, Andrea Cross, Erin Rupp, Joe Leroux, City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger, and City Clerk Jamie Sterling.
- Pledge** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- Minutes** Minutes of the May 15, 2023, regular meeting were presented for review. Motion by Ryan Lichter second by Matt Sander to approve the minutes as submitted.  
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.  
  
Minutes from the Victoria Volunteer Fire Department were also reviewed.
- Ordinance A-06-23** Ordinance A-06-23 consisting of bills against the City for the month of June was presented for review. Motion by Harland Rupp, second by Matt Sander that Ordinance A-06-23 be approved and all bills paid.  
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.
- Agenda** Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Erica Dinges to approve the agenda as presented.  
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.
- Options Donation** Andrea Cross Development Director with Options was present at the council meeting, as well as board member Erin Rupp. They are celebrating 40th Anniversary of being a non-profit organization. Statistics were presented and different costs of funding the program. They are working with the Hays Police department, Johnson County and Wichita on developing a lethality exam. She informed Chief Dinkel if they wanted to partner with them, they are welcome to. Information regarding domestic violence and domestic murders was presented. They now have a domestic violence helpline with a mobile advocacy.
- Grow Hays** James Robben with Grow Hays attended the council meeting. He gave the updated report of the NRP. There will be a letter in ordinance form sent to Attorney Don Hoffman regarding the City of Victoria adopting the NRP, Neighborhood Revitalization Plan. James will return to the July meeting with the final report for approval by the City Council. He also asked for a Funding Request of \$3,000.00 for 2024, for E-Community loans.
- Police Report** Police Chief Cole Dinkel gave his department report. He had no requests at this time. Chief Dinkel stated summer is as normal. He has sent out several letters regarding mowing, and tree trimming to residents. He reported there is still no word on the new pickup for the Police Department.

- City Superintendent Report** City Superintendent Brad Schmidtberger gave his department report. He stated the meters have shipped to finish the last wells. He will contact Downey Drilling to install these. Brad informed council the State of Kansas has had many cyber attacks. Brad has been in contact with INR regarding the cameras. The City may have to set our own poles to install cameras on. It was brought up to supplement these cameras with solar cameras. The lift station is a concern. He stated it is still functioning but getting old. The major concern is that the pit is rusting. Ryan Lichter made a motion to get a new lift station, second by Erica Dinges. Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.  
City Superintendent also brought up purchasing supplies for the water and sewer main extensions for the new Dollar General. Motion by Matt Sander, second by Harland Rupp to allow up to \$250,000.00 for supplies. Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- Fire Chief Report** Fire Chief John Weber gave his department report. Chief Weber informed the council regarding a grant for new hoses for the fire trucks. There is a Fire Fighter from Hays that is helping write the grant. The City Council approved paying 10% for the hoses at the May meeting. The amount is around \$25,194.00 and City's responsibility would be \$2,519.00. Motion by Erica Dinges, Second by Matt Sander to approve the amount. Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.
- Volunteer Fire Fighter** The name of Caden Oberle was presented as a new Volunteer Fire Fighter with the City of Victoria. Motion by Ryan Lichter, second by Matt Orr to approve Caden Oberle as a new Fire Fighter. Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays, Motion declared carried.
- July 4th** Motion by Ryan Lichter to allow fireworks to be discharged on July 4th only from 8:00 am to midnight. Second by Matt Orr  
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.
- HS Volleyball Fire Work Stand** High School Volleyball coach Sara Nuss was in attendance regarding a Fire Work stand as a fundraiser for the Volleyball team. Sara had filled out an application prior to the meeting. The location for the stand will be in the parking lot of Mac's Liquor Shack. Matt Orr made a motion to allow the Fire Work stand, second by Erica Dinges. Vote: 4 Ayes 0 Nays 1 Abstention. Motion declared carried.
- Health Facility Flooring** Pictures were presented to Council regarding the Health Facility flooring by Golden Rule Health. The flooring is the original flooring since 1998. We will be getting bids regarding flooring for the Health Clinic as well as into the Police Department.
- CMB Mac's Liquor Shack** Mac's Liquor Shack presented a permit for the sale of mixed drinks at Herzogfest. This permit was denied by City Council due to the fact if they were permitted to sell hard liquor, it would change stipulations for everyone regarding CMB licenses at Herzogfest. Motion by Ryan Lichter to deny the permit, second by Matt Orr. Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

- Comments** Sara Nuss stated the zoning maps on the website are different than the ones in the office. Mayor Schulte informed her they are actually the same. Sara was inadvertently looked at the 1998 Zoning map when she was at the office.
- Adjournment** All business on hand having been discussed, Motion to adjourn by Matt Sander second by Matt Orr.  
Vote: 5 Ayes 0 Nays. Motion declared carried.

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John Schulte, Mayor

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Jamie Sterling, City Clerk