

City of Clearwater, Kansas
Sedgwick County
City Council Meeting - **MINUTES**
October 23, 2018
Clearwater City Hall – Council Chambers
129 E. Ross Avenue Clearwater, KS 67026

1. Call to Order/ Invocation and Flag Salute

Mayor Ussery called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. followed the Invocation and flag salute.

2. Roll Call

The City Clerk called the roll to confirm the presence of a quorum. The following members were present:

Mayor Burt Ussery and Councilmembers; Yvonne Coon, Shirley Palmer-Witt and Tex Titterington,

Laura Papish and Chris Griffin were absent.

The following staff members were present:

Ron Marsh, City Administrator; Courtney Meyer, City Clerk; Bill Hisle, Chief; Ernie Misak, Director of Public Works; Bryant Parker, City Attorney.

Others present: Gary Berger, Emergency Services; Esther Harp, Emergency Services; Jordan Ford, Jamle Tjaden, Katelyn Blanco, Michael Duerkuen, Kenyon O'Neal, Braxton Klausmeyer, Palge Roubideaux, Kylee Harman, Sean Layton, Gavin Howell, Lauren Patrick, Tori Schmelssner, Kyra McKinley, Kelsey Millege, Hayley Mertens, Cole Kin.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Ussery asked if there were any modifications to the agenda. Marsh stated there no changes.

Mayor Ussery called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion: *Palmer-Witt* moved, *Coon* seconded to accept the October 23, 2018 agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

4. Public Forum

None

5. Approve Consent Agenda

Mayor Ussery asked if there was any question on the consent agenda and if not asked for a motion to approve.

Minutes 10/09/18 Council Meeting
Emergency Service Appointment
Chad Sterret – Firefighter/EMT
Kyle Berger – Firefighter/EMT
Jordan Ford – Firefighter (probationary)
Support Letter for Sedgwick County Division on Aging
Claims and Warrants - \$27,080.12

Motion: *Palmer-Witt* moved, *Coon* seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Voted and passed unanimously.

6. Recreation Commission Update

Jamie Tjaden reported that business is as usual for the Recreation Commission. Basketball signups are starting for ages 3 years to 6th grade.

7. Staff Reports

- a. Chief Hisle stated his report was in the packet and asked if there were any questions. Council did not have any questions
- b. Ernie Misak, Public Works Director – stated he had an update on the sewer lagoon ponds. Misak stated he thought he would wait to discharge the lagoons but due to the rain he had to discharge in October. Also, there were 6 open top containers filled for the City-Wide Clean-up.
- c. Gary Berger
10/10/18: Assisted EMS - Patient needed help up, no injuries.
10/12/18: Assisted EMS on Code Blue
10/12/18: Standby FB game
10/15/18: Transformer Fire
10/16/18: House Fire Viola, Auto Aid
10/17/18: Assisted EMS w/Medical Transfer
10/17/18: Assisted EMS - Assault
10/18/18: Water in Street - Run off from pool across alley
- d. Ron Marsh, Administrator – reported EMS had 9 runs
- e. Ron Marsh also mentioned along with the Senior Center report that was in the packet, Kristi Rey has submitted her 2-week notice. Her last day will be November 5th.

8. Business

a. **Consider a Field Usage Agreement with Recreation Commission**

The current field usage agreement between the City and Recreation Commission has been in place since 2006. This agreement updates recent changes and allows the Recreation Commission to use City facilities for their activities.

Since the Recreation Director is a full-time employee of the Recreation Commission, and no longer a City employee, several changes needed to be made to the agreement particularly involving maintenance and scheduling.

There are no changes financially with the current agreement.

The Park Advisory Board has reviewed the agreement and recommends approval. If Council approves the document, it will be presented to the Recreation Commission for their consideration.

Also, there will be new field usage agreements created and brought before council between City and AYSO and City and School Board.

Motion: *Coon* moved, *Palmer-Witt* approved the field usage agreement and authorized the Mayor to execute. Voted and passed unanimously.

b. **Park Deed Update**

Marsh stated at a prior meeting Coon had asked on behalf of the Herrington family to place a plaque in the park recognizing their contribution and to also place the statement there are to be no Sunday games as stated in the original deed. The Mayor had asked staff to research what the original deed said and asked Parker to investigate what the clause means before it is placed on a plaque.

Parker reported that back in the 1920's when the park land was deeded to the City from the Herrington family the term "Sunday games" referred to gambling, racing, or cock fighting. He stated even though it is stated on the deed there is no reversal clause, but it is still a valid restriction. If the City plans on having "Sunday Games" the family could take it to court and there could cause injunction.

Marsh stated there will be an example of the plaque brought to council at the next meeting.

9. Administrators Report

- **Park Advisory Board Update:**
 - Proposed location for horseshoe pits in City Park. The pits will be constructed using money from the Austin Wood memorial fund. Use of the funds for this purpose has the support of the family. Council just need to give consent for the location.
 - Recommends constructing benches from the tree trunk "rescued" from the middle school when construction began. The Board recommends the benches be placed in the park along the walking path and in the vicinity of the horseshoe pits.
 - Reviewed concepts for a new scoreboard and have asked staff to get the cost and timeframe for several designs.
 - Continue to work on concepts and get pricing for replacing the park shelters.
 - Getting final costs for installing exercise stations along the walking path. Equipment was bought by the High School KAYS club through a grant they received.
- The pre-construction meeting with APAC was held this afternoon. APAC will begin work on November 5th.
- Fall Festival wrap up with staff and FF committee will be November 7th.

10. Governing Body Comments

Titterington asked if there was still a vacancy in the PD. Hisle said yes, testing and interviews are set up for November 3rd.

Palmer-Witt asked what the situation with the electricity was. Marsh stated there was no real explanation except that Westar has things in place to prevent those types of surges and they failed. If there was broken due to the surge people are to submit a claim to Westar.

Ussery stated that stated the Fire and EMS are doing well and he said the morale is good. Kudos to the current leadership!

11. Adjournment

With no further discussion Mayor Ussery called for a motion to adjourn.

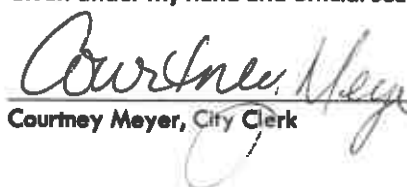
MOTION: *Coon* moved, *Papish* seconded to adjourn the meeting. Voted and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM

CERTIFICATE

State of Kansas }
County of Sedgwick }
City of Clearwater }

I, Courtney Meyer, City Clerk of the City of Clearwater, Sedgwick County, Kansas, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the approved minutes of the October 23, 2018 City Council meeting.

Given under my hand and official seal of the City of Clearwater, Kansas, this 13th day of November 2018


Courtney Meyer, City Clerk

