

City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – January 25, 2021

The Bonner Springs City Council met in regular session at 7:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Mayor Harrington, Shannon, Mackey, Thompson, Wood, Gurley, Kipp and Reeves . Councilmember Stephens was absent.

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Christina Brake, City Clerk; Matt Beets, Deputy Public Works Director and Carrie Fredericksen, Public Housing Authority Director

The Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and asked Pastor Flournoy, Church of the Living God, to lead the invocation.

PRESENTATIONS – None Presented

Citizen Concerns about Items Not on Today’s Agenda – None presented.

CONSENT AGENDA – The Mayor read the Consent Agenda Items and asked the staff, audience or City Council if they wished to remove an item for separate consideration. No items were pulled.

1. **Minutes of the January 11, 2020 City Council Meeting**
2. **Claims for City Operations**
3. **Claims for Public Housing Authority Operations**

Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to approve the consent agenda as written. Unanimous approval.

OLD BUSINESS – None Presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Item No. 1: Purchase of 2021 Freightliner Dump Truck – Gurley moved and Thompson seconded a motion to approve the purchase of a 2021 Freightliner dump truck from Kansas City Freightliner in the amount of \$119,636. Unanimous approval.

Item No. 2: Bonner Springs Housing Authority “Opinion of Council” Approval – Thompson moved and Mackey seconded to approve the Opinion of Council. Motion carried five to two with Mackey and Kipp voting against.

Item No. 3: Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Bonner Springs Housing Authority to Kansas City Kansas Housing Authority – Gurley moved and Thompson seconded to approve a resolution authorizing the transfer of Bonner Springs Housing Authority to Kansas City Kansas Housing Authority. Motion carried five to two with Mackey and Kipp voting against. **Resolution No. 2021-01.**

Item No. 4: Resolution Authorizing Kansas City Housing Authority to Operate in Bonner Springs – Reeves moved and Shannon seconded to approve a resolution authorizing Kansas City Kansas Housing Authority to operate in Bonner Springs. Motion carried five to two with Mackey and Kipp voting against. **Resolution No. 2021-02.**

REPORTS

Item No. 1 - City Manager’s Report

- The Unified Government website contains information about COVID-19 vaccines. Currently, the Unified Government has a vaccination site open at 78th & State. The County is discussing opening two additional locations; one in the eastern part of the county and one in the western part of the county. The State website, ksvaccine.com also contains a lot of information about vaccination
- The new City Planner, Mark Lee, started today.
- The recreation department is planning programs and working with the County to facilitate youth sports programs and the aquatic center this summer.
- Public Works is working through the process to get the filter media cleaned again. The cost to maintain the filter media is approximately \$15,000 every 4 months.

Item No. 2 - City Council Items

- Shannon verified the name of the new City Planner and asked for clarification on statements he couldn't hear regarding the filter media and the recreation programs.
- Mackey thanked the Unified Government Health Department and USD204 for getting staff vaccinated.
- Mackey issued an apology to Councilmember Thompson for his remarks after the previous meeting.
- Wood was impressed with the Unified Government vaccination facility.
- Gurley was excited to tour the new City Hall last week and asked for an update on the delayed supplies. The City Manager stated the project should reach substantial completion in March or April and he hopes to have new pictures next week.
- Kipp thanked staff for their work
- Reeves thought the vaccination facility was very nice.
- Wood added that she appreciated the constant communication between the school district and the Unified Government.

Item No. 3 – Mayor's Report

- The Mayor commended USD204 for their work.
- Recognized the hard work of City staff on snow removal.
- Reminded everyone that pothole season is upon us and asked people to contact City staff to report potholes.
- Noted trash seemed to be picked up on Tuesday but encouraged residents to report collection misses or issues to the Unified Government's 311 site as well as to City staff.
- Met with Mayors Alvey and McTaggart and discussed impacts of development including the Urban Outfitters site.
- Development of the Compass Center, Old Dominion and other sites continues. He encouraged residents to direct questions to City staff.

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Christina Brake, City Clerk