

## City Council Minutes – Regular Meeting – August 9, 2021

The Bonner Springs City Council met in Workshop session at 7:05 p.m.

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

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director and Mark Lee, City Planner

**Item No. 1: Budget Review** – The Finance Director and the City Manager reviewed the budget and asked for consensus to move forward. The next step is to approve a public hearing for the Revenue Neutral Rate increase and the 2022 Budget on September 13, 2021.

**Item No. 2: Johnson County Wastewater** – The Assistant City Manager introduced John Amrein, The Land Company, who discussed a proposal by Johnson County to purchase a sanitary sewer easement to install a force main along 43<sup>rd</sup> St.

The workshop session adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

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

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

City staff present: Sean Pederson, City Manager; Amber Vogan, Assistant City Manager; Chris Brake, City Clerk; Tillie LaPlante, Finance Director and Mark Lee, City Planner

The mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and asked Pastor Flournoy to lead the invocation.

**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 removed.

1. Minutes of the July 26, 2021 City Council Meeting
2. Claims for City Operations
3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021 Financial Statements
4. Massage Therapy License Renewal – SpaRapha Massage & Craniosacral Therapy
5. Public Use Request – Tiblow Days Bier Garten

Gurley moved and Shannon seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Unanimous approval.

**OLD BUSINESS** – None Presented.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Item No. 1: FP-02-21: Final Plat of the Hopkins Subdivision** – Shannon moved and Mackey seconded to accept the dedication of easements and rights-of-way as shown on the final plat. Unanimous approval.

**Item No. 2: SUP-03-21: Jerry Lee Jarrett Life Center (Christ First Ministries)** – Shannon moved and Mackey seconded to adopt an Ordinance to approve SUP-03-21 to allow for the construction and operation of a church oriented and related community outreach center, the Jerry Lee Jarrett Life Center at 143 W. Insley Avenue. Unanimous approval. Ordinance No. 2510.

**Item No. 3: Ordinance to Restrict Parking on Sections of Lakewood Road and on Second Street** – Shannon moved and Gurley seconded to adopt an Ordinance to Amend the City of Bonner Springs Local Traffic Control Regulations Code Section 14-201 to Add Parking Restrictions on Lakewood Road and on Second Street. Unanimous approval. Ordinance No. 2509.

**Item No. 4: Resolution Strongly Recommending Masks in Indoor Public Spaces** - Mackey moved and Stephens seconded to approve a resolution strongly recommending the wearing of masks or other face coverings in indoor public spaces to support individual rights and freedoms to choose, amending section 2, item 2; replacing the word “require” with “strongly recommend”. The motion passed with Wood abstaining. Resolution No. 2021-07.

## **REPORTS**

### **Item No. 1: City Manager’s Report**

- Lt. Governor Toland reassured the City Manager that additional funding will be available to complete the project extending Wyandotte County’s fiber network to Bonner Springs.
- The aquatic park extended their season and will be open one additional week after a delayed opening.
- The reception for Clausie Smith was canceled due to Covid restrictions; a reschedule date is pending.

### **Item No. 2: City Council Items**

- Wood thanked staff for the information covered by the agenda items.
- Thompson asked how the newest Covid restrictions would affect Tiblow Days. Most Tiblow Days activities are outside, vendor booths and cars at the car show will be placed an appropriate distance from each other.
- Mackey thanked voters for voting in the primary elections.
- Shannon met with the Senior Center participants who were concerned about restrictions on eating together. The Director is checking with other centers about their policies for outside food. The participants also voiced concern about the security cameras being installed in the Community Center. They were worried about being spied on.
- Gurley asked about plans to mow the ditch on 138<sup>th</sup> St. Staff replied the school district plans to mow the area this week.
- Gurley stated the stop sign at 142<sup>nd</sup> & Kansas Avenue is obstructed by weeds.
- Gurley stated the Parks & Recreation committee met and discussed the good attendance at the pool this summer and the Recreation department looks forward to having access to the gymnasium again.
- Stephens stated a 2–3-foot strip along 138<sup>th</sup> Street was mowed but not the ditch.
- Reeves reported tall weeds on the south side of Riverview east of 143<sup>rd</sup> St.
- Reeves stated he witnessed two close calls at the light at 43<sup>rd</sup> St. and K-7. He stated the lights are not properly aligned with the current driving lanes due to construction and it is confusing to drivers.

### **Item No. 3: Mayor’s Report**

- The mayor stated Vest Lee looks very nice with a new fence and controlled weeds.
- The downtown road improvements are going well. They are impacting almost every street downtown and will make a huge impact. People are starting to notice the new medians on Cedar Street.
- He continues to be in close contact with Mayors Alvey and McTaggart.
- The Farmer’s Market was well attended last weekend as people are opting for outside activities,
- Asked people to continue to wear masks indoors, wash their hands and maintain social distancing.

The meeting adjourned at 8: 40 p.m.

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Christina Brake, City Clerk