



## MEETING OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers, City Hall – 131 N Main St

January 14, 2021 at 7:00 PM

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### AGENDA

HONORABLE MAYOR MIZE AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

PRAYER

DETERMINE AGENDA ADDITIONS

#### CONSENT AGENDA

*All matters listed on the Consent Agenda are considered one motion and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.*

A) Approval of minutes for the December 10, 2020 Council meeting

B) Building Permits

Building - 830 N Garfield - Cleary Bldg Corp

Building - 627 W 2nd Ave - Eash Construction

Building - 115 N Lincoln - Kampling Construction

Fence - 115 N Lincoln - Grady Laverentz

Plumbing - 119 N Main - Precision Plumbing

C) Bills List

Motion to approve as listed/amended.

#### PUBLIC AGENDA *(Please limit comments to 5 minutes)*

A) Prairie Travelers- update on Rails to Trails Project

OLD BUSINESS

**2) CONSIDERATION OF PAYING FREIGHT COST AND GROUND COVER FOR PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT**

Item was tabled from November & December meeting. A decision was made to not proceed forward with the grant.

**3) CONSIDERATION OF PORTABLE STORAGE UNIT PERMIT FOR JONAS STUCKY AT 117 N JEFFERSON**

A permit application was submitted by Jonas Stucky in December to place a portable storage unit on the lot at 117 N Jefferson. Council denied the location of the storage container and preferred the unit be place on the north side of the existing building with the unit running east and west. Stucky has submitted a new location for the storage container.

Motion to approve/deny the Portable Storage unit.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**4) CONSIDERATION OF SPECIAL USE PERMIT AT 825 SUNSET AVE**

The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on 1/6/2021 regarding a Special Use permit to build a shed at 825 Sunset Ave. The property owners have their dwelling west of this lot at 325 Evergreen. They were unable to build the shed through a standard building permit because they are unable to merge the lots together due to an alley. The Planning Commission approved two motions at their meeting to send to Council for final approval:

Approved the Special Use Permit at 825 Sunset Ave to build a 30' x 56' shed.  
Send to Council with request to vacate the alley.

Motion: Council can Approve or Deny the Planning Commission's recommendation or send the item back to the Planning Commission for further consideration.

**5) CONSIDERATION OF ANNUAL RENEWAL OF SCHWAB-EATON ENGINEERING SERVICES**

Schwab-Eaton has acted as the City's engineer for several years. They have presented a renewal contract for 2021 with hourly rates increasing \$5 per hour.

Motion: Approve the renewal contract for engineering services from Schwab-Eaton, P.A. for 2021.

**6) CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH GEORGE, BOWERMAN & NOEL P.A. TO PERFORM THE YEAR ENDING 2020 CITY OF CHENEY AUDIT**

George, Bowerman & Noel have conducted financial audits of the City's financial statements for the last several years. Staff is very comfortable with this firm and the accountants conducting the audit. Staff recommends continuing this relationship and approving the letter of engagement.

Motion: Approve the letter of engagement with George, Bowerman & Noel for a fee not to exceed \$9,900 plus out of pocket expense.

**7) CONSIDERATION OF 2021 SIDEWALK INSTALLATION/REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

The 2021 budget contains \$10,000 for sidewalk and curb ramp improvements. The policy was established in 2005. In 2018, the program increased the grant from \$500 to \$750 per homeowner to replace sidewalks. In 2020, the policy changed to allow 2/3 reimbursement, instead of 50%.

The City received 4 applications in 2020 and funded two grants. The two additional applicants did not get their projects completed by year end and plan to apply again in 2021.

Motion: Approve the 2021 sidewalk replacement program and allocate \$5,000 towards sidewalk grants.

**8) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 304-2021 REQUESTING THE KANSAS DIRECTOR OF ACCOUNTS AND REPORTS TO WAIVE THE STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS OF USING GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES FOR THE CITY OF CHENEY**

This Resolution exempts the City of Cheney from the statutory requirement of using Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. In recent years, Cities have been under increasing burden to account for assets that have no actual market value. And while these things do not have a fair market value, they still are required to be in conformance with GAAP. Therefore, smaller municipalities in Kansas have opted to go with another form of cash basis of accounting that is in conformance with Kansas's law. (Requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a (a))

Motion: Approve Resolution 304-2021 requesting the Kansas Director of Accounts and Reports to waive the statutory requirements of using generally accepted accounting principles for the City of Cheney, Kansas.

**9) CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE 933; REGULATING OUTDOOR PARKING/STORAGE OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AND PARKING OF VEHICLES UPON PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY OF CHENEY, KANSAS**

An Ordinance was drafted to address Recreational Vehicle and Equipment being stored in yards as well as parking in front yards.

Motion: Approve Ordinance 933

Roll Call Vote- Albers \_\_\_\_, Gile \_\_\_\_, Graf \_\_\_\_, Kampling \_\_\_\_, Williams \_\_\_\_

**10) KPTS PARTNERSHIP**

The City entered a partnership with KPTS in October 2019 for advertising and promotional items for one year. KPTS is requesting the City renew the partnership, which will produce and broadcast a minimum of 2 profiles on Positively Kansas, a 30 second commercial, Station ID, and segment with the Mayor. In 2019 the expenditure was \$1500.

Motion: Approve spending \$1,000 for a city partnership with KPTS.

**REPORTS**

**Police Report**

- 11) Court Report
- 12) Police Report

**Fire Report**

- 13) December Fire Report

**Maintenance Report**

- 14) Maintenance Report
- 15) Gas Report
- 16) Water Report
- 17) Trash Report

**Golf Course Report**

- 18) Golf Course Report

**Administrator's Report**

- 19) Admin/Clerk Report

**ATTORNEY'S ITEMS**

**MAYOR'S ITEMS**

**COUNCIL ITEMS**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- 20) Motion to enter into executive session to discuss employee contract pursuant to matters related to non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b)(1) at \_\_\_\_ pm for \_\_\_\_ minutes with Administrator Young.

**ADJOURN**

Notice: It is possible that sometime between 6:30 and 7:00 PM immediately prior to this meeting, during breaks, and directly after the meeting, a majority of the Governing Body may be present in the council chambers, break area, or lobby of City Hall. No one is excluded from these areas at any time.