



COUNCIL MEETING

Council Chambers, City Hall – 131 N Main St

December 09, 2021 at 7:00 PM

MINUTES

HONORABLE MAYOR MIZE AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

CALL REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Philip Mize called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Council members Ryan Graf, Kassie Gile, Greg Kampling and Greg Williams were present. Staff present were City Administrator/Clerk Danielle Young, City Attorney Austin Parker, Police Chief Ken Winter, Maintenance Superintendent/Fire Chief Jerry Peitz. Councilmember Jeff Albers arrived late. Guests present were Michelle Franklin- TSNews.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG

OATH OF OFFICE

Swearing in of re-elected Councilmembers Kassie Gile, Greg Williams and Mayor Philip Mize. Albers was administered his oath when he arrived later in the meeting.

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) Building Permits

Mechanical Permit - Reddi Industries - 627 Jayhawk
Mechanical Permit - CM3 Inc - 126 W 5th
Electrical Permit - W Electric - 2960 S 375th St W
Carport - Thomas Bachard - 209 S Marshall
Sign - LB Signs - 223 Cherry Oaks
Sign - LB Signs - 329 Cherry Oaks
Sign - LB Signs - Entrance Cherry Oaks
Building - Illumicast LLC - 102 N Jefferson
Cherry Oaks Golf Course- CMB License
Dollar General- CMB License
Casey's- CMB License
SPK Grocery- CMB License
Minutes from the November 11, 2021 Council meeting
Bills list

Motion: Approve the consent agenda as listed.

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.
Councilmember Albers absent.

PUBLIC AGENDA *(Please limit comments to 5 minutes)- No one was present to speak.*

OLD BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT SOLID WASTE CONTRACT FROM WASTE CONNECTIONS

Council previously agreed to move forward with Waste Connection's solid waste bid. Councilmember Kampling didn't think we should have to pay for the week of service if they don't pick up trash due to weather. Kampling thought if Waste Connections see a savings in not running their service that week, they shouldn't charge the City for it. Young and Attorney Parker stated they discussed this section of the agreement with Waste Connections and they were not willing to change this section of the agreement and felt they were giving the City one additional day to come pick up trash if inclement weather happens, where that's not being offered in other cities. Councilmembers asked about getting broken carts replaced around town that have been in service for many years.

Motion: Approve Comprehensive Franchise Agreement for collection, hauling and disposal of municipal solid waste in the City of Cheney commencing January 1, 2022.

Motion made by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf

NEW BUSINESS

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Kansas State Statute and City Code states that after every city general election, the council shall elect one of its members as president of the council who, in the absence or disability of, and at the request of the mayor, shall become acting mayor. The president of the council shall, while acting as mayor, have only those powers immediate and necessary to carry out the duties of the office of mayor, including all administrative, ceremonial and contractual powers, but shall not have the power to veto any measure passed by the council.

Motion: Nominate Kassie Gile as the President of the City Council.

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.
Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF MAYOR MIZE'S APPOINTMENT

Cheney Fire Department has requested the appointment of

Firefighters: Zane McGuffey and Peyton Becker

Motion: Confirm the Mayor's appointments.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.
Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF 2022 MEMBERSHIP DUES

Motion: Continue 2022 membership with the League of Kansas Municipalities for \$1317.61

Motion made by Councilmember Graf, Seconded by Councilmember Gile.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.
Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF AN AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN SEDGWICK COUNTY AND THE CHENEY SENIOR CENTER

The annual agreement is for January 1- December 31, 2022 and provides \$5,000 in funding for the Cheney Senior Center.

Motion: Enter into the agreement with Sedgwick County and the Cheney Senior Center.

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf

CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASING EQUIPMENT

Maintenance Superintendent Jerry Peitz stated the parks department would like to replace their 2005 72" Hustler rear discharge Mower with a new 72" side discharge Hustler.

Motion: Purchase 72" mower from S&D Equipment in the amount of \$10,711 and declare existing 72" Hustler mower surplus and sell. Councilmember Graf asked if the Rec would be mowing the multi-use fields?

Motion made by Councilmember Graf, Seconded by Councilmember Kampling.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

Cherry Oaks Golf Course requested the purchase of a beverage cooler to replace a smaller cooler and kegerator that is no longer used.

Motion: Purchase a beverage cooler from Webstaurant Store in the amount of \$2499 and declare current beverage cooler and kegerator surplus and sell.

Motion made by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Gile.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

Peitz requested the purchase of a 2009 Freightliner M2106 Dump Truck with 14,286 miles on it from Federal Surplus. It's possible Surplus may not get the truck in for purchase. The truck is a single axel dump truck and is smaller than our current dump trucks, so it could be used in residential areas when doing utility work, picking up commodities, and pulling the mini excavator. Peitz stated they had looked at comparable trucks, but they had over 100,000 miles and were \$40-\$60,000.

Motion: Purchase 2009 Freightliner Dump Truck from Federal Surplus in the amount of \$32,000.

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF 2022 HEALTH AND DENTAL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EMPLOYEES

Employee health care coverage begins February 1 of each year. The renewal for Health Insurance rates increased by .22% and Dental rates decreased by 1.94% for an overall increase of .14%. In 2021 our rates decreased by 3.39%, 2020 rates increased by 5.59%, 2019 rates decreased by 8.34%, 2018 rates increased by 12.45%, and in 2017 decreased by 3.08%

Staff recommended staying with the Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Blue Choice Comprehensive Plan for 2022. The plan is grandfathered and provides better coverage than the ACA platinum plan, but had cheaper rates than the ACA coverage when it was bid a few years ago.

Motion: Approve BCBS Health and Dental Insurance for 2022.

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF CHANGES TO THE FEE SCHEDULE

The fee schedule is reviewed annually in December. Staff recommended the proposed changes. Changes include increases to golf course fees, trash fees, bulk water, asphalt millings, and sewer tap inspection fees.

Motion: Adopt Resolution 309-2021 Schedule of Service, License, and Permit Fees.

Motion made by Councilmember Williams, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF 2022 SALARY SCHEDULE

The Salary Schedule is a pay range schedule for the various positions. It is recommended to change the Pay Grade for Maintenance Worker I, Part-time Police Officers, Full-time Police Officers (Certified/non-certified), and Police Sergeant for the 2022 Salary Schedule. Also, an increase for Fire Chief.

Motion: Adopt Resolution 310-2021, 2022 salary schedule and update job descriptions accordingly.

Motion made by Councilmember Graf, Seconded by Councilmember Gile.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CHENEY, KANSAS, APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN AGREEMENT TO RELEASE AND ASSIGN THE CITY'S OPIOID CLAIMS TO THE KANSAS ATTORNEY GENERAL AND CERTIFYING COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION MITIGATION IN EXCESS OF \$500

Kansas is part of the multi-state litigation regarding opioids. HB 2079 addresses the distribution of settlement funds requiring 75% of the funds going to the State and 25% of the funds to be split between municipal governments. To receive part of these funds, the city must certify we've had costs of at least \$500 and agree to spend any settlement funds for lawful purposes and waive any remaining claims related to the opioid litigation.

Motion: Adopt Resolution 311-2021

Motion made by Councilmember Kampling, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

CONSIDERATION OF END OF YEAR TRANSFERS

The 2021 Budget showed Scheduled Transfers at \$588,000. Staff requested an increase of transfers into Water Reserve, streets, parks, and general fund as Budget Authority allows. Because the general fund had an increase over budgeted revenues by an estimated \$330,000, the general fund cash on hand has increased and staff would like to transfer the scheduled transfers of \$50,000 from the two utility funds (no transfer from gas fund) into Capital Improvement for the Pool Project instead of into the General Fund. Young discussed increasing the unallocated budgeted transfer of \$200,000 and stated it could be earmarked for the pool or left unallocated. Young mentioned that the cost of the pool from the committee was more than the City had thought they'd need for the project so the transfer could be used for the pool project. Councilmember Kampling thought the price of the pool project could decrease if we waited a bit longer. Mayor Mize noted that the City had talked to Dondlinger about constructing the pool, but utilizing them to take on more liability comes with a price. Mize mentioned that the City had been able to finance projects over the past few years with the Capital Improvements funds and the transfer would put the city in better shape to do other items and the pool. Unfortunately, they don't know what the next year is going to bring and the finances could tank. Mize thought increasing the transfers were a positive and would like to see the transfers made to go up to the budgeted authority.

Motion: Approve stated year end transfers with the transfer from the General Fund to Capital Improvement equal to the amount of remaining general fund budget authority after determination of year end expenditures.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

REPORTS**Police Report**

Chief Winter reported that the new full-time officer had started.

Fire Report

Chief Peitz stated they had been working with the EMS CRV and he had donated a recliner to the paramedics. Mayor Mize asked if the CRV paramedic vehicle was still idling all day long and Peitz stated it's a higher idle. Peitz reported that they had the tender and engine pump certified. The older engine has an exhaust leak and they will pull into the shop to see what it will take to fix it.

Maintenance Report

Peitz reported that they attended the KCC Conference and will need to add to their Operation Manual for Pipes Cares Act. They are working on sending in their report for the KDHE sewer inspection and will need to take a sewer sample this month.

Golf Course Report

Director of Golf was absent, but Young reported that the golf course was doing well with many rounds scheduled on the warm December days. Mayor Mize thought the course was still looking good for the high amount of traffic it had seen.

Administrator's Report

Young reported that VersaSport was scheduled to begin the basketball court construction on January 10th. Tim Hiebert would like to donate funds towards the basketball court project in memory of his son.

The Santa Fe Property that the City purchased between Main Street and Garfield will have the plat reviewed for approval on Tuesday, December 14th at the Planning Commission meeting.

Young reported that another City had used Christmas wreaths for sale. They were identical to the wreaths the city currently has. They are asking \$150/each and have 24. Young wasn't sure that they needed all 24 as it would depend on how many poles had plug-ins available.

Motion: Purchase wreaths for Main Street and spend up to \$2400.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Graf.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf.

Councilmember Albers was absent.

Young showed a photo of where the Library would like to place a mural on the front of the building. Young stated that they had talked to Brad and he thought the mural panels could be mounted to the front of the library with little obstruction to the stucco. The exact colors would be selected when the project begins. Councilmembers asked about putting the artwork on the upstairs or downstairs windows since they were a larger area, instead of the narrow columns. Council asked about the panel's mounts being close to the edge of the building and knocking the corner bricks loose. They also mentioned since columns were so narrow, the panels might be too small to make a visual difference. They asked if they could see mural in color laid out on a photo of the front of the library. They expressed concern about the building structure, if the mural was taken down, if there would be holes left on the building and if the mural faded could it be spruced up later and who would do that?

Councilmember Albers arrived at the meeting and was given his oath.

ATTORNEY'S ITEMS**MAYOR'S ITEMS**

Mayor Philip Mize had nothing to report.

COUNCIL ITEMS

Councilmember Albers noted that it was nice Everyg had replaced the purple lights.

Councilmember Gile asked about reporting the light being out at the 383rd Exit on Highway 54.

Councilmember Graf had nothing to report.

Councilmember Kampling had nothing to report.

Councilmember Williams passed out homemade pot holders to everyone for Christmas.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss wages and employee performance pursuant to matters related to non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b)(1) at 8:33 pm for 20 minutes with Administrator Young.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss wages and employee performance pursuant to matters related to non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b)(1) at 8:53 pm for 15 minutes with Administrator Young.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss wages and employee performance pursuant to matters related to non-elected personnel KSA 75-4319 (b)(1) at 9:08 pm for 10 minutes. Young left Executive Session.

Motion made by Councilmember Gile, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.

Mayor Mize stated the Council was back in regular session with no binding action taken.

Motion: Approve a 3% Cost of Living increase for employees to begin upon first pay period of 2022 or upon probationary period ending.

Motion made by Councilmember Graf, Seconded by Councilmember Kampling.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.

Approve up to 3% merit increase, determined by performance evaluations, for full-time employees not in probationary period at end of year.

Motion made by Councilmember Graf, Seconded by Councilmember Williams.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Albers made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:26 pm. Councilmember Kampling seconded the motion.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Kampling, Councilmember Williams, Councilmember Gile, Councilmember Graf, Councilmember Albers.



Philip Mize, Mayor

Attest:

Danielle Young, City Clerk

