

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

February 4th, 2019

The Board of Aldermen met in Regular Session with Mayor Todd Williams at City Hall, 206 North 16th Street, on Monday, February 4th, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Williams, Crabtree, Johns, Brejnik
 Absent: Mann
 Others Present: Tara Walker, Jacob Taylor, Jerry Collins, Phil Conger, Amber Hoyle, Misty Oliver, Stuart Johnson, Jan Johns, Kevin Whipple, Truman Doolittle, Kenny Robertson, and Toby Puffer.

Meeting Called To Order Mayor Todd Williams called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approve Agenda Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to approve or amend the agenda.
 Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
 Brejnik - Aye Crabtree – Aye

Approve Bills Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to approve or amend the bills.
 Alderman Charles Crabtree made a motion to approve the bills. The motion was seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
 Brejnik - Aye Crabtree – Aye

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Brewster, Tasha	5.20	COB (Uniform)	50.00
Crowley, Christopher	6.46	Collision Works	7,048.21
Deskens, Jackie	89.88	Commerce Bank	2,648.52
Gentry, Derek L	130.00	Community Wholesale	665.10
Kaufman, Glenna	91.02	Elecsys	24.00
Miller, Trestin	207.12	Fink, Richard V	75.00
Phillips, Jason	71.78	Fleet Services	3,855.99
Smith, Opal	220.72	Fonseca, Brian	375.00
Smith, Troy	128.86	GRM Networks	1,473.84
Tekeyonna, Ortiz	66.99	Harrison Co Treasurer	3,125.00
Wooden, Kaleb	6.94	Hudlemeyer, Deana	80.00
Bethany Building	535.07	Irby Electrical	2,261.39
Border States Ind.	10,901.61	Jacob Denum	239.46
BSN Sports	373.03	Jennings, Charles A	648.01
Buzzard Gulch Inc.	179.26	John Deere	707.89
Cintas Inc.	332.68	Jordan Wallace	232.66

K-5 Windlow	100.00	Tyler Technologies	7,907.15
Lacal Equip.	860.28	Verizon Wiareless	350.57
Mailfinance Inc.	350.40	Wal Mart	563.62
MPR	23,929.62	Young's Towing	450.00
MO One Call System	16.90	Central Bank	7,617.78
O'Reilly Auto	210.09	Aflac	1,096.29
Radio Shack	24.94	Liberty National	672.18
Remmers Design	980.00		
Ted Clemons	154.36		
Trenton Coca-Cola	3.12		

\$82,143.99

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Jaunita E Schroff	1,224.59	Janee A Lehleitner	373.33
Rebekah D Turley	1,091.88	Judith A Hinkle	57.66
Leslie S Groom	925.46	Linda L Sanders	22.61
Amber M Hoyle	1,100.31	Michael R Lykins	1,019.15
Norman L Newlin	837.94	Michelle L Schroff	1,069.06
Brian S Groom	1,309.83	Joslyn T M Jennings	101.26
Bryan E Holloway	1,182.60	Shiloh G Peters	640.24
Andrew J Alborn	934.52	Griffin L Jennings	161.57
Trevor A Place	985.37	Summer L Beaty	33.75
Brandon T York	912.67	Cathy M Johnson	1,046.24
Jesse M Miller	909.52	Robert T Williams	269.36
Randall J Mann	92.35	Ted G Clemmons	1,388.37
Randall G Brejnik	92.35	Johnathan M Brown	915.17
Lance Johns	92.35	Randy W Jennings	1,102.59
Charles L Crabtree	92.35	Robert W Russell	2,063.15
Jacob R Taylor	1,785.18	Charlie D Bennett	1,628.11
Kenneth D Robertson	729.32	Brian K Jennings	973.63
Jesse M Sanders	817.16	Paul L Gard	1,112.04
Brian J Willis	987.77	Lela A Stottlemeyer	299.21
Toby J Puffer	942.03	Gavin R Johns	105.24
David Kinnison	512.54	Maggie Jennings	327.55
Curtis D Carlson	1,423.27		

Total \$ 33,690.65

Approve Minutes of January 21st, 2019
 Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to approve or amend the Minutes of January 21st, 2019.

Motion made by Alderman Charles Crabtree to approve the Minutes of January 21st, 2019. It was seconded by Alderman Lance Johns.

Johns - Aye
 Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

Administrator Jake Taylor explained the need for amending the current ordinance to allow us to accept bids for the City's banking services. Alderman Charles Crabtree suggested that the date be changed from April 1st to July 1st, after the new council is elected and the council agreed.

Bill #1315

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 135.070, ENTITLED "PURCHASING PROCEDURES" OF ARTICLE III ENTITLED "PURCHASING PROCEDURES" OF CHAPTER 135 ENTITLED "FINANCE AND PURCHASING" OF TITLE I ENTITLED "GOVERNMENT CODE" OF THE BETHANY CITY CODE, was read by title only by Mayor Todd Williams for the first reading.

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to approve the first reading of Bill #1315 and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

Mayor Todd Williams read Bill #1315 by title only for the second and final reading.

Motion made by Alderman Charles Crabtree to approve the second and final reading of Bill #1315 and adopt Ordinance #1315 and seconded by Alderman Lance Johns.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

Public Input

Kevin Whipple of 2603 Main Street stated that he would like to see a speed limit sign of 20mph on Main Street near his home. He also requested that the Street department use the blade when going up his hill and salt/sand the road when it snows or ices. Mayor Todd Williams responded that the speed limit is 25mph and that we would have someone look into putting a sign there if necessary. Mayor Todd Williams also stated that the Code Enforcer should visit Mr. Whipple's home to ensure that his handicap ramp is up to code.

Truman Doolittle addressed the Council regarding a violation he received from the Code Enforcer for a vehicle. Mr. Doolittle was concerned because the paperwork he received did not show how he violated the code. City Attorney Tara Walker asked Truman to speak with the Code Enforcer Norman Newlin before addressing the issue with the Council. Administrator Jake Taylor stated that he would have the Code Enforcer follow up with Mr. Doolittle.

Truman Doolittle also addressed the Council regarding the cost of utilities. Mayor Todd Williams explained the process of evaluating the various utilities and how it was determined how much to raise or lower each item. Mr. Doolittle asked the Council if they had looked into any grants for alternative energy. Mayor Todd Williams responded that they had looked into windmills and solar panels in the past but it was determined that the investment amount was much more than the return.

Truman Doolittle also questioned the Council regarding the status of the new fire station and the money from selling the old fire station. Mayor Todd Williams responded that he had talked with the people on the current fire department and they are happy with the current location. He also stated that the money is still earmarked for the fire department.

Truman Doolittle also inquired about the status of the contract with PeopleService. Mayor Todd Williams explained the need for PeopleService. He said many headaches for the city have gone away since PeopleService took over the water and sewer departments. PeopleService does not have the trouble with turnover that the City was having. PeopleService personnel have the necessary training to run the new Waste Water Treatment Plant. When we have multiple issues going on, they can send crews from other towns to assist if necessary. Mayor Todd Williams summed it up by saying that the City's use of PeopleService provides the best customer service to our customers.

Administrator's Report Administrator Jake Taylor reported that he has reached out to Emily Wycoff of Snyder & Associates to schedule a meeting with Shawna Barnes or USDA to discuss the fixes to the duckbill valve for the WWTP as well as the remaining money in our USDA Grant.

Gas Dept Administrator Jake Taylor informed the Council that we would be discussing the hiring of the new gas department laborer in Closed Session.

Dog Pound Administrator Jake Taylor informed the Council that he has decided not to place an ad in the paper for the dog pound. We will solicit local bids for concrete which should come in at less than \$5,000. City staff will be able to construct the building and do the plumbing and electrical work themselves. This savings will get the project at or under the budgeted amount of \$15,000.

Interest Rates Administrator Jake Taylor told the Council we have talked to the local banks to get an idea of where they are at with current interest rates and what they are willing to offer for an account our size. We will do a formal bidding process closer to time for review.

City Hall Repairs Administrator Jake Taylor stated that we have budgeted \$32,000 for repairs to the exterior. The Council agreed to run the ad in the paper to solicit bids for repairs to the roof as well as siding.

Gas/Electric Dept Building Administrator Jake Taylor stated that we have budgeted \$400,000 for a new Gas/Electric Department building. The proposed spot would be at the corner of 14th Street and Beekman. Kenny Robertson Electric Superintendent presented the plans for the building. The Council agreed to run an ad in the paper for a general contractor to build the building.

Snow Plow Bids Administrator Jake Taylor presented bids for a snow plow to be installed on the Electric department truck.

Alderman Charles Crabtree asked which vehicle this would be on and Kenny Robertson Electric Superintendent stated it would be on the Ford. Alderman Charles Crabtree also asked if we had checked with the Street Department to see which type of plows they preferred and Administrator Jake Taylor reported that Randy Jennings Street Superintendent said he prefers to move snow with the smaller trucks.

Alderman Lance Johns questioned which bid was lower without the installation fees. It was determined that the Meyer plow was the lowest bid.

Alderman Lance Johns made a motion to purchase the Meyer plow for \$4,675 to be installed by City employees. The motion was seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

City Police Administrator Jake Taylor told the Council their packets include the police

Accident report as well as a statement from Officer Alborn and Chief Groom's report/recommendation to prevent future accidents. Administrator Jake Taylor requested a move, second and votes to authorize the payment to Collision Works for a total of \$7,439.93 for work on our 2018 Police Interceptor. Alderman Randy Brejnik stated that he would like to discuss this issue more during Closed Session.

Alderman Lance Johns made a motion to approve the bill and it was seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye Crabtree – Aye

CDBG bank account Administrator Jake Taylor requested permission to open a new bank account at BTC for the final CDBG Grant money. The signatories for the account are the Treasurer, City Clerk, Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem. The Council agreed.

Demo properties Administrator Jake Taylor requested permission to purchase two properties for demolition in the amount of approximately \$265 each. He also requested permission to advertise in the paper, our intention of transferring the property to anyone willing to build a permanent structure within 12 months (as per our policy that was adopted last year). The Council agreed to both.

TAP Grant Administrator Jake Taylor told the Council that MoDot has received our package and will be giving it a project number in the near future.

Street Paving Project Administrator Jake Taylor informed the Council of the schedule for the upcoming street paving project.

1/16/19-2/6/19	Ad to run in the Bethany Republican Clipper
2/15/19	Bid conference
2/19/19	Bid opening

Snow Removal Policy Administrator Jake Taylor informed the Council that an updated snow policy was included in their packets. The updated policy puts the responsibility solely on the Street Department Superintendent. In regards to the snow on the sidewalks, Administrator Taylor said that no ordinance was found regarding this issue. Mayor Todd Williams asked Attorney Tara Walker to update the current ordinance to include the sidewalks as discussed by the Council.

Council Reports Alderman Charles Crabtree asked about the fire department report. He would like to know what the debris was; that was referred to in the report. Alderman Crabtree also commented on the leaks in the building referred to in the Parks & Rec report.

Alderman Randy Brejnik inquired about the cutter bits purchased by the Street department as well as the current bank statement for the City's accounts.

Alderman Lance Johns asked about demolishing the house at 1800 Alder. He has heard that the house is not in that bad of shape. Administrator Jake Taylor stated that he would look for someone willing to fix it up.

Closed Session for Personnel Mayor Todd Williams called for a motion to go to Closed Session for personnel.

The motion was made by Alderman Lance Johns at 6:28 pm and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

Adjourn

Motion made by Alderman Lance Johns to adjourn at 7:02 p.m. and seconded by Alderman Randy Brejnik.

Johns - Aye
Brejnik - Aye

Crabtree – Aye

Todd Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Amber Hoyle, City Treasurer