

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 9, 2012**

The Yates Center City Council met in regular session on July 9, 2012 at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

DAY SWORN IN

Newly appointed council member Leah Day was sworn in by City Clerk Becky Boice.

Mayor Wilhite called the meeting to order. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Day, Weber, Beecher, Black, Stuber, and Bishop. Other city officials present included City Attorney Constance Peebles, Street Superintendent Randy Hegwald, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Jim Lomon, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED

Weber amended the agenda adding:

- interest on bank loans to the administrative report
- rural water contracts to the public works report

Motion was made by Weber, seconded by Reser, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Weber, seconded by Bishop, to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2012 meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY

Peebles had nothing to report.

TODD GREGG – MORRISON BENEFIT

Todd Gregg was present to ask council to waive the no alcohol policy at the ball fields for the Jess Morrison benefit to be held July 21, 2012. Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Black, to waive the no alcohol policy at the ball fields for the cancer benefit. Motion carried unanimously.

KATHE HAMMAN – CO-ED LEAGUE PLAY

Kathe Hamman and Abby Collins were present to request council to waive the no alcohol policy at the ball fields during the co-ed league season. Motion was made by Black, seconded by Beecher, to waive the no alcohol policy at the ball fields for the duration of the adult co-ed league play. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Weber tabled the housing tax incentives discussion for two weeks.

INTEREST ON LOANS

Wilhite reported that he had spoke with Myra Danler from the Yates Center Branch Bank on refinancing the loans on the prison land, generators, and ball field lighting. The bank has agreed to lower the interest rate to 4.29%. Motion was made by Weber, seconded by Bishop, to allow Mayor Wilhite to work with the bank to refinance the loans. Motion carried with Day abstaining.

SAFETY REPORT

Randall had nothing to report.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT

Beecher presented Ordinance 1057, partially amending Ordinance 846, user charge, water utility. Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to adopt Ordinance 1057 as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE 1057

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to enter into a 15 minute executive session for non-elected personnel for the purpose of discussing matters that if discussed in open session might invade the privacy of those discussed. Peebles and Boice to be included in the executive session. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 7:12pm to reconvene at 7:27pm. Black and Reser excused themselves from the executive session at 7:20pm for a fire run. Council reconvened at 7:27pm.

WILSON #9 WATER CONTRACT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to approve the second addendum to the water contract with Wilson #9, setting the new water rates. Motion carried unanimously.

TORONTO WATER CONTRACT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to approve the addendum to the water contract with the City of Toronto, setting the new water rates. Motion carried unanimously.

WOODSON #1 WATER CONTRACT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to approve the addendum to the water contract with Woodson #1, setting the new water rates. Motion carried unanimously.

PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS REPORT

Boice reported that the treatment for the millfoil at Yates Center Reservoir will start next week.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Wilhite welcomed Leah Day to the council. He also announced there would be a preliminary budget meeting on Monday, July 16, at 6:00pm at city hall. Thank you notes were passed around.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Motion was made by Stuber, seconded by Bishop, to approve the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$79,440.84. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 7:30pm.

Leslie Wilhite

Leslie Wilhite, Mayor

ATTEST:

Wynona B Boice

Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved July 23, 2012

