

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MAY 11, 2015**

The Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 11, 2015, at 7:10pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Weber called the meeting to order. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Day, Beecher, Spoon, Stuber, and Bishop. Absent: Jones. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Tom Mikulka, Water Superintendent Eric Boone, Street Superintendent Randy Hegwald, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED

Reser added discussion on the Ed Splechter property by the sewer plant under Public Works.

Randall added an executive session under Parks & Public Lands.

Beecher added an executive session under Public Works.

Motion was made by Day, seconded by Randall, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Day, seconded by Reser, to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2015, (Old Business) meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Day, seconded by Stuber, to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2015, (New Business) meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Day, seconded by Bishop, to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2015, special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Day, seconded by Bishop, to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2015, special meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

BANK DONATION TO POOL

John Danler, President of the Yates Center Branch Bank, presented a donation of \$2,000.00 to be used towards the slide and deck furniture recently purchased for the Yates Center Swimming Pool.

CITY WEBSITE

Steve Prasko with Advantage Computers and Gina Robbins with Captivating Visions both made presentations to council on the advantages of their website. Prasko and Robbins to return written proposals with different options requested by the council.

LEGION AUXILIARY

Laura Sterling representing the American Legion Auxiliary, presented the Mayor and Council with poppies to honor veterans.

BARN QUILTS – SHAFFER

Ron and Suzie Shaffer gave a presentation to council on the barn quilts that are appearing around town. Mrs. Shaffer gave the history and plans for Yates Center having joined the Flint Hills Barn Quilt Trail. Shaffer presented the City with a barn quilt to display at City Hall.

REC COMMISSION EXECUTIVE SESSION

Randall moved the executive session under Parks & Public Lands to next on the agenda. Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to enter into a 20 minute executive session with representatives from the Recreation Commission, mayor, and city attorney present, to discuss matters of non-elected personnel because if this matter were discussed in open session it might invade the privacy of those discussed. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 8:06pm to reconvene at 8:26pm.

Council reconvened at 8:26pm.

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to continue the executive session for an additional 10 minutes for the same reason with the same people present. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 8:27pm to reconvene at 8:37pm.

Council reconvened at 8:37pm.

CITY ATTORNEY

Mikulka had nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
ADMINISTRATIVE
DIVIDEND CHECK**

Day informed council that a dividend check had been received for \$11,969.29 from Employers Mutual Casualty Company.

CODE BOOK

Day reminded council the League would like to have the final draft for the code book codification as soon as possible.

BIRDIES & BLUEGRASS

Day presented a request from Tom Davis, organizer of the Birdies and Bluegrass fundraiser for Friends For Life. Last year the city made a donation to be put towards the special event insurance. Motion was made by Day, seconded by Bishop, to donate \$500.00 towards insurance and other expenses for Birdies & Bluegrass. Motion carried unanimously.

SAFETY

Randall had nothing to report.

**PUBLIC WORKS
WORK ORDERS**

Beecher tabled discussion on work orders until the new committee appointments are made.

STDEPT SURPLUS EQUIP

Beecher presented a request from Hegwald to advertise for sale surplus equipment from the street department. It included tanks, roller, tractor, and propane bottles. Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Day, to advertise the equipment for sale by sealed bids due 5:00pm, Friday, May 22. Hegwald to advertise in the Yates Center News and on Craigslist. The city to reserve the right to refuse any or all bids.

SPLUCHTER PROPERTY

Reser asked Boone for an update on the erosion problem with the Ed Splechter property adjoining the sewer plant. Boone reported they were waiting for Mr. Splechter to remove barbed wire fence he wanted to keep. It was the consensus of the council to have the project completed as soon as possible.

SCADA SYSTEM

Boone informed council that he was having problems with the SCADA system that runs the pumps at the lake. He will notify them as soon as he has more information.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Bishop, to enter into a 15 minute executive session for attorney/client privilege for the purpose of discussing with the city attorney matters of a confidential character and which is private. The mayor, city attorney, water superintendent and city clerk to be present. Motion carried unanimously and council entered into executive session at 8:57pm to reconvene at 9:12pm.

Council reconvened at 9:12pm.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS
POOL PAINT**

Jones reported a problem with the new paint flaking off the bottom of the pool. The street department to scrape the paint off and repaint the areas repaired as soon as possible.

POOL DONATION

Council once again expressed their appreciation to John Danler and the Yates Center Branch Bank for their donation towards the pool improvements.

CDBG UPDATE

Jones and Hegwald updated council on the plans for the proposed improvements at Lincoln Park, South Owl Lake, and the ball fields. Council looked over prints from BG Consultants. It was the consensus of the council to proceed with the CDBG funding process.

DOG PICKUP STATIONS

Jones reported that city hall has received numerous complaints on people letting their dogs run loose and not picking up after them at Delay Stadium and Lincoln Park. Motion was made by Jones, seconded by Bishop, to purchase two dogipot stations to be placed at Delay Stadium and Lincoln Park from Kay Park Recreation for \$276.00 each. Motion carried with Randall voting no. The city does have an ordinance in place where tickets can be issued for people not picking up after their dogs.

MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Weber presented his committee appointments for the year.

MAYOR APPOINTMENTS

Administrative
Reser (Chair)
Day
Bishop
Spoon

Safety
Bishop (Chair)
Randall
Spoon
Stuber

Public Works
Randall (Chair)
Beecher
Reser
Jones

Parks & Public Lands
Day (Chair)
Jones
Beecher
Stuber

Budget & Finance
Reser
Bishop
Randall
Day

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Bishop, to approve Mayor Weber's committee appointments. Motion carried unanimously.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

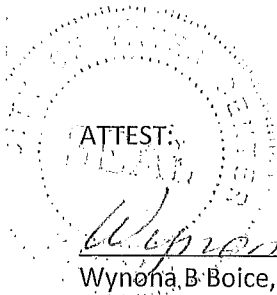
Motion was made by Day, seconded by Beecher, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$51,011.31. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Beecher, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 9:40pm.



Benjamin J Weber, Mayor



ATTEST:
Wynona B Boice
Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved May 26, 2015