

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
OCTOBER 17, 2016**

The Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 17, 2016, at 7:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President of the Council Randall called the meeting to order. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Day, Spoon, and Bishop. Absent: Weber, Beecher, Stuber, and Jones. Other city officials present included City Attorney Brian Duncan, Water Superintendent Eric Boone, Street Superintendent Randy Hegwald, Chief Of Police Lyle Kee, Police Officer Sam Frantz, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

**AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED**

Bishop added Sam Frantz to the agenda before the city attorney.

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

**MINUTES APPROVED**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Bishop, to approve the minutes of the October 3, 2016, meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

**ESGR AWARD KEE**

Sam Frantz and Retired Major Dave Fehr with the National Guard and Reserve presented Lyle Kee with an award for Employer Support Of The Guard and Reserve. The award was given for the support shown by Kee while Frantz is on guard duty.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Day, to enter into an executive session for attorney/client privilege for the purpose of discussing with the city attorney matters of a confidential character. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 7:11pm with the city clerk present. Council to reconvene at 7:26pm.

Council reconvened at 7:26pm.

**WEBER ARRIVED**

Mayor Weber arrived at 7:26pm and Randall returned to his council seat.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Duncan had nothing to report.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS**

The condition of the Christmas lights used on the highway was briefly discussed. Hegwald to look into different options of repairing or replacing the lights.

**HOUSING AUTHORITY AUDIT**

Reser presented the audit and audit billing from the Yates Center Housing Authority. The board was requesting the city to pay the audit bill and the board reimburse the city with monthly payments.

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Bishop, to pay the audit billing from Agler & Gaeddert for the Yates Center Housing Authority in the amount of \$3049.52. Motion carried with Randall voting no.

It was the consensus of the council that the Housing Authority should be prepared to pay their own audit bill next year.

**SAFETY  
BUNKER GEAR**

Weber informed council he had spoken with Fire Chief Gaulding and the replacement bunker gear should arrive soon.

**PUBLIC WORKS  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to enter into a 10 minute executive session for the purpose of discussing confidential data relating to trade secrets with Boone present. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 7:40pm to reconvene at 7:50pm.

Council reconvened at 7:50pm.

**BEECHER ARRIVED**

Beecher arrived at 7:50pm.

**SLUDGE BLOCKS**

Randall presented two bids Boone had received on drying blocks for the sewer drying beds.

Merit Filter Corporation - \$1280.00  
Roberts Water Technologies, Inc - \$1040.00

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to purchase the drying blocks from Roberts Water Technologies, Inc not to exceed \$1300.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**GRADER BLADES**

Randall presented a request from Hegwald to buy grader cutting edges in bulk at a sale price.

**BID POLICY WAIVED**

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to waive the bid policy to purchase the cutting edges. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Bishop, to purchase the 10 blade bundle of cutting edges from Foley Equipment at the sale price not to exceed \$1480.50. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS  
POOL DISCUSSION**

Discussion was held on ways to educate the public on the proposed ¼ cent sales tax increase to fund improvements at the swimming pool. Public meetings are set for Wednesday, October 26, and Saturday, November 5. Both meeting to start at 6:00pm with the place to be determined.

**LAKE ACCESS ROAD**

Hegwald showed council pictures of the culvert at the access road to the Yates Center Reservoir that had washed away during recent rains. Motion was made by Day, seconded by Bishop, to purchase a 4' x 50' culvert from Woodson County for \$2794.00. Motion carried unanimously with the county to assist with replacing the culvert.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

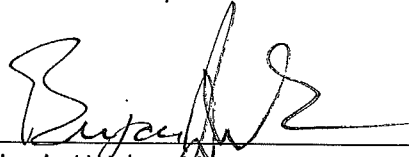
Weber had nothing to report.

**CLAIMS & VOUCHERS**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$150,303.31. Motion carried unanimously.

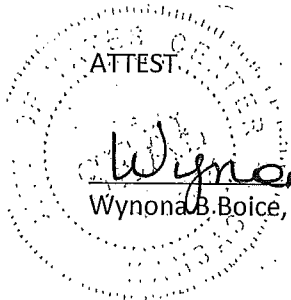
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Bishop, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:37pm.



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Benjamin J Weber, Mayor



*Wynona B Boice*  
Wynona B. Boice, City Clerk

Approved November 7, 2016