

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
JULY 5, 2018**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Thursday, July 5, 2018. The meeting was rescheduled from Monday, July 2 for lack of a quorum. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President of the Council Wiehn called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Wiehn, Beecher, Cathcard, and Jones. Absent: Mayor Weber, Shaffer and Spoon. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Water Superintendent Eric Boone, Chief of Police Doug Smooth, Police Officer Michael Strode, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED

Beecher added a 15 minute executive session for non-elected personnel under safety.

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

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2018, meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY

Duncan had nothing to report at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
ADMINISTRATIVE**

Reser had nothing to report.

**SAFETY
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Jones, to enter into a 15 minute executive session for 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 and to include Chief of Police Smoot and Police Officer Strode. Council entered executive session at 7:03pm to reconvene at 7:18pm.

SHAFFER ARRIVED

Shaffer arrived at 7:05pm and joined the executive session.

Council reconvened at 7:18pm.

**PUBLIC WORKS
SEWER PROJECT FINANCING**

Wiehn presented a proposal from GN Bank on financing for the Holloway Sewer Project. Using two city CDs as collateral, and \$90,000 out of the Sewer Replacement Fund, the financing for \$79,310 would be for eight years at 3.50% interest. Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Shaffer to accept the GN Bank loan proposal. Motion carried with Wiehn abstaining. The payments to be made in lieu of the transfer to Sewer Replacement.

NOTICE OF AWARD

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to instruct President of the Council Wiehn to sign the Notice of Award for the Holloway Street Sewer Project. Motion carried unanimously.

JAYHAWK PROGRAM

Beecher presented a quote from Jayhawk Software for the interface program on the radio read meters for \$1,500. Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Shaffer, to purchase the radio read interface program from Jayhawk for \$1,500 with funds to come out of water utility. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS POSITION

Beecher informed council that applications are still being accepted for a street department worker.

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to make Eric Boone the Public Works Supervisor and give him a .75 an hour raise retroactive to June 22. Motion carried unanimously.

SEWER LINE CLEANING

Discussion was held on the pros and cons of hiring a contractor to do the sewer line cleaning or purchasing a sewer vacuum truck. It was the consensus of the council to check into the sewer vacuum trucks and the matter to be added to the agenda for next meeting.

SPOON ARRIVED

Spoon arrived at 7:40pm.

PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS

A committee meeting was set for Wednesday, July 11, 5:30pm.

RR AT S OWL LAKE

After discussion, it was the consensus of the council to use the electric hookup at RV Spot #14 for the new restrooms at South Owl Lake, thus making this spot primitive camping only. The restrooms will be open as soon as all hookups are complete and at this time will be seasonal only.

BBQ GRILLS

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to allow the committee to purchase barbeque grills for the lakes and park not to exceed \$2,000. Motion carried unanimously.

BILL IRELAND


It was the consensus of the council to have Mayor Weber talk to Bill Ireland regarding the fence issue at the reservoir before paying any bills. The matter to be kept on the agenda for the next meeting.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$67,098.38. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:13pm.



Leah Wiehn, President of the Council

ATTEST:



Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved July 16, 2018