

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2011**

The Yates Center City Council met in regular session on October 3, 2011 at 7:00 pm at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Wilhite called the meeting to order. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Hudlin, Weber, Beecher, Black, Stuber, and Bishop present. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Constance Peebles, Water/Wastewater Superintendent Jim Lomon, and Deputy City Clerk Joni Diver.

AGENDA APPROVED

Bishop made a motion to approve the agenda as it was printed. Reser seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Reser to approve the minutes of the September 19, 2011 meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Reser to approve the minutes from the Prairie Villa meeting on September 21, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY

Peebles had nothing to report.

SERVICE AWARDS

Mayor Wilhite gave service awards for twenty-five years of service to Police Chief Lyle Kee and to Deputy Police Chief Ken Leedy.

JOHNSON CONTROLS

Chris Christenson with Johnson Controls gave a presentation on energy efficiency and what his company might be able to do for the City of Yates Center.

Beecher made a motion for Johnson Controls to do an analysis for the city of Yates Center on all of the facilities at no charge or obligation. Weber seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Bishop made a motion to take a five minute break with Stuber seconding the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Council adjourned at 7:40 pm and reconvened at 7:45 pm.

MARDI GRASS

Black made a motion to set the date for Mardi Grass for the second weekend of September 2012 if it can be approved by the KCBS. Bishop seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Bishop made a motion to accept the application of Mary Ann Smith to serve on the Library Board with Black making the second. Motion carried unanimously.

Bishop read a thank you note from Allen County Community College. He informed the council that Paul Stockebrand was the recipient of the endowment scholarship.

Bishop told the council that they needed to discuss the city car and make a policy on the use of it. Randall made the motion to have the city attorney change the policy manual to include the city car. The car will be mandatory for anyone needing to go out of town if it is available. If the city car is in use and someone needs to go out of town, only then will the employee be reimbursed mileage. Stuber seconded. Motion carried with one vote against by Hudlin.

Bishop said they needed to come to a decision on the sales tax issue. Bishop made a motion; Reser seconded it to have a work session on Monday, October 10, 2011 at 6:30 pm to discuss sales tax, the dispatching contract, and code enforcement. Motion carried unanimously.

SAFETY

Randall said he didn't have anything to bring to the table except for everyone watching the school zone and there was some discussion on the county writing tickets in the city.

PUBLIC WORKS

Beecher made a motion, Weber seconded to put a manhole in the industrial park with a cost of no more than \$1250.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Beecher made a motion, seconded by Weber to allow Jim Lomon to get three bids for the replacement of the Heating/Air Conditioning unit at the Water Plant. Carried unanimously.

Jim Lomon advised the council that he will be attending a water meeting at Piqua on October 10, 2011.

PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS

Black advised the council that this coming weekend will be the annual Fall Harvest festival with the Friends for Life walk and auction, the chili cook-off, and SEKS Meltdown.

MAYOR COMMENTS

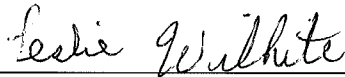
Mayor Wilhite didn't have any comments except that he would like everyone to attend the Work Session on October 10, 2011.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Bishop made a motion to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$44,944.70. Reser seconded and motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Reser made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Randall seconded. Motion carried unanimously and Council adjourned at 8:25 pm.



Leslie Wilhite, Mayor

ATTEST:


Joan K. Diver

Approved October 17, 2011

