

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
APRIL 17, 2017**

The Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, April 17, 2017, at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President of the Council Randall called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Randall, Beecher, Spoon, Stuber, and Jones. Absent: Weber and Day. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Water Superintendent Eric Boone, Street Superintendent Randy Hegwald, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

**AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED**

Reser added Julie Galemore to the first of the meeting to discuss liquor license fees.

Randall added discussion on dumpsters under public works.

Reser added discussion on a copy machine under administrative.

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Stuber, 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 April 3, 2017, meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Duncan had nothing to report on at this time.

**JULIE GALEMORE  
LIQUOR LICENSE FEE**

Julie Galemore, owner of Blackjack Liquor, was present to request council change the city liquor license fee now that a new law has passed allowing grocery and convenient stores to sell 6.0% beer. Duncan to research the new law and the matter be put on the agenda for next meeting.

**WEBER ARRIVED**

Mayor Weber arrived at 7:15pm and presided over the remainder of the meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Bishop, to enter into a 10 minutes executive session for the purpose of preliminary discussion related to the acquisition of real property with the city attorney present. Motion carried unanimously. Council entered into executive session at 7:21pm to reconvene at 7:31pm.

Council reconvened at 7:31pm.

Motion was made by Reser, 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 re-entered executive session at 7:35pm to reconvene at 7:45pm.

Council reconvened at 7:45pm.

**CHAMBER UPDATE**

Spoon presented documentation from the Chamber of Commerce that provided the breakdown on funding and a detailed list of chamber sponsored events and other responsibilities of the director.

**COPY MACHINE**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Bishop, to allow Boice to solicit bids for a new copy machine for city hall. The copy machine was in the budget to replace this year. Motion carried unanimously.

**BUDGET WORKSHOP**

A budget workshop was set for Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 6:00pm at city hall.

**SAFETY**

Weber informed council he had spoken with Chief Kee about providing additional safety equipment for the police officers and animal control officer.

Weber requested that Ordinance Number 1096, regarding pit bulls, that was recently passed be printed in its entirety in the Yates Center News. Weber wants the public to be aware that the ban on pit bulls was already in place. The new ordinance allows for stricter enforcement.

**PUBLIC WORKS  
ORDINANCE NUMBER 1097**

Randall presented Ordinance Number 1097 for approval. AN ORDINANCE VACATING AN ALLEY IN TOWNSHIP 25 S., RANGE 15 E., SECTION 14, BLOCK 15 BETWEEN LOTS 1 THROUGH 12 IN THE YATES 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION.

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Reser, to approve Ordinance Number 1097 as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

**SEWER PLANT MIXER**

Randall presented three bids for a mixer for the sewer plant:

Fluid Equipment - \$8,733.75  
IPS - \$9,985.00  
JCI - \$7,392.00 (each, minimum of three)

Motion was made by Randall, seconded by Beecher, to authorize the committee to purchase a sewer plant mixer from Fluid Equipment not to exceed \$9,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

Other items discussed under public works included: the computer system that runs the water plant and replacing old water meters.

**DUMPSTERS**

Hegwald presented two bids for dumpsters. He had checked with the county and found out that the city has been being charged for trash service at several locations where there is no dumpster. After a short discussion, Weber suggested Hegwald and Beecher talk to the county commissioners to see if an agreement or an adjustment of some type could be worked out. Reser requested the item to be added to the next agenda.

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

A public works committee meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 24, at 7:00pm at city hall.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS**

Items discussed in the committee report included: Hegwald updating council on the ADA CDBG sidewalk project and complaints of snakes at South Owl Lake.

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

A parks and public land committee meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 26, at 7:00pm at city hall.

**MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Weber complimented Jim Frye on the wonderful service to the community he has been doing by collecting cans and donating the money to the American Legion in Yates Center. He also encouraged city agencies to make an effort to help collect cans at the ballfields, parks, and swimming pool to donate to Mr. Frye for this worthy cause.

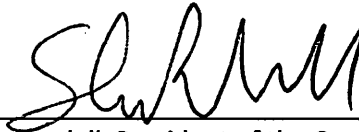
Weber also reminded council that the deadline for filing for mayor or a council seat in the fall election is June 1, at noon.

**CLAIMS & VOUCHERS**

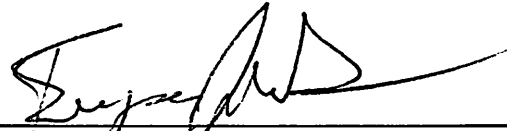
Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Randall, to approve the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$76,644.32. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

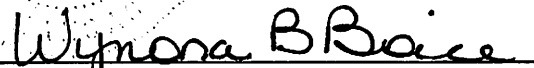
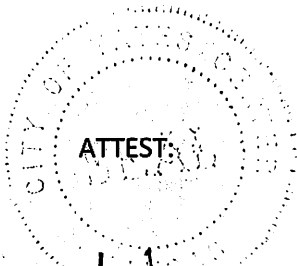
Motion was made by Bishop, seconded by Reser, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 9:00pm.



Shawn Randall, President of the Council



Benjamin J Weber, Mayor



Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved May 1, 2017

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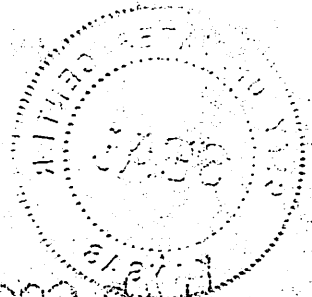
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