

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2018**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 19, 2018, at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Weber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Wiehn, Beecher, Cathcard, Shaffer, and Jones. Absent: Randall and Spoon. 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

Beecher added water plant phone service under public works.

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

MINUTES APPROVED

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Wiehn, to approve the minutes of the March 5, 2018, meeting as printed. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY ATTORNEY

Duncan presented an ordinance for approval.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

ORDINANCE NUMBER 1105

Following a short discussion, motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to adopt Ordinance Number 1105; AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO THE OBTAINING OF A BUILDING PERMIT; COSTS OF BUILDING PERMITS; EXPIRATION OF BUILDING PERMITS; AND PENALTIES AND COSTS FOR FAILURE TO OBTAIN A BUILDING PERMIT BEFORE BEGINNING WORK. Motion carried with Cathcard and Jones voting no.

CITY CODE MOWING

It was the consensus of the council to have Boice advertise for sealed bids on code enforcement mowing for the 2018 season.

CHAMBER BOARD REP

Cathcard agreed to be the council representative for the Chamber of Commerce to takeover Spoon's vacancy.

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to elect Wiehn as President of the Council. Motion carried with Wiehn abstaining.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to enter into a 20 minute executive session, with the city attorney present, for the purpose of discussing 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 7:18pm to reconvene at 7:38pm.

Council reconvened at 7:38pm.

YATES BOWLING CENTER

Reser presented an application for business incentives from Yates Bowling Center. Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to approve up to \$2500.00 in incentives, to be paid as receipts are made available. Motion carried unanimously.

**SAFETY
CONTEMPT FEES**

Duncan briefly explained an ordinance on contempt fees concerning municipal court that he will have for approval at the next meeting.

SAFETY LIGHTS

Mayor Weber thanked Police Chief Smoot for staying at the 54&75 intersection during the power outage early Monday morning.

Weber asked Hegwald to check into some safety lights to help mark the intersection in case of power outages.

**PUBLIC WORKS
WATER WORKER**

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Wiehn, to advertise for the vacant water/wastewater position. Motion carried unanimously with applications being accepted until position is filled.

PIPE STORAGE

A storage place for the water department's pipe was again discussed. The item to be left on the agenda for the next meeting to make sure a place can be arranged to store the pipe at city hall.



CLEANUP DAY

Cleanup day, for yard waste only, was set for Monday, April 23. Hegwald to prepare an ad for the paper on rules regarding cleanup and also reminding the public of the Lend-A-Truck program.

FIREPIT BURN PERMIT

After discussion on having to have a burn permit for burning in a fire pit, it was the consensus of the council to have Duncan prepare an ordinance changing the requirements for needing a burn permit and defining a fire pit.

PHONE SERVICE WATER PLANT

Boone discussed problems at the water plant during the power and internet outage caused by the recent storm.

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Jones, to change the phone services at the water plant and sewer plant back to land line systems as long as the switching fees are less than \$500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS
JEFF MORRISON REC BD**

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to appoint Jeff Morrison to the recreation commission. Motion carried unanimously.



HAY LEASE FUNDS

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to mark the funds from the 120th Road hay lease for pool improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

POOL PICNIC TABLE

Motion was made by Wiehn, seconded by Reser, to purchase a picnic table for the pool from Kate Shepard, dba PlayScapes in the amount of \$600.00. Motion carried unanimously.

SEASONAL PARK POSITION

Wiehn updated council on the seasonal parks worker position. The application deadline has passed and the committee will be interviewing and presenting a recommendation at the next meeting.

MAYOR COMMENTS

The upcoming pool improvement project was discussed.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$63,310.23. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Reser, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:45pm.



ATTEST:

Wynona B Boice
Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Benjamin J Weber
Benjamin J Weber, Mayor

Approved April 2, 2018