

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
OCTOBER 1, 2018**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, October 1, 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, Randall, Wiehn, Beecher, Spoon, Cathcard, and Shaffer. Absent: Jones. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Public Works Supervisor Eric Boone, Chief of Police Doug Smoot, Code Enforcement Officer Nik Morrison, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED

Spoon added purchasing a police radio under safety.

Beecher added approval of sewer project contractor payment under public works.

Reser tabled fence discussion under administration.

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 September 17, 2018, meeting as printed. Motion carried with Spoon abstaining.

CITY ATTORNEY

Duncan had nothing to report at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS
ADMINISTRATIVE
CHRISTMAS BULBS**

After a brief discussion on Christmas decorations it was the consensus of the council to put up a limited amount of decorations on the highways this year and put the money saved in repairing the decorations towards new ones.

BCBS RENEWAL

Reser informed council that the Blue Cross Blue Shield employee insurance plan for next year included a 13.99% increase.

**SAFETY
GRASS DISCHARGE ORD**

Duncan had a few questions on the proposed grass discharge ordinance that council answered. The ordinance to be approved at the next meeting.

PURCHASE OF PD CAR

Several options were discussed for purchasing an additional vehicle for the police department.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Beecher, to purchase a 2017 Dodge Charger from the Kansas Highway Patrol. It will come with lights, siren, and antenna, but not with radar or radio. It also includes the remainder of the 100,000 mile power train warranty. Motion carried unanimously.

RADIO/RADAR PURCHASE

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Beecher, to allow the safety committee to solicit bids for a police radio and a dash mounted radar unit. Motion carried unanimously. Bids to be back by 5:00pm, October 31.

POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT

Smoot gave the police activity report for September. Members of the council thanked the department for doing a good job.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code enforcement procedures were briefly discussed with Duncan encouraging Morrison to contact him directly anytime he had a question.

**PUBLIC WORKS
WATER ONLY RATES**

Duncan presented Ordinance Number 1113 for approval; AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER RATE FOR "BULK WATER" FROM WATER ONLY METERS INSIDE THE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF YATES CENTER.

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to approve Ordinance Number 1113 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

CAGLE OFF PROBATION

Beecher informed council that street department employee Amos Cagle has completed his 90 day probation period. Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to give Cagle a .50 per hour raise, effective with the next pay check. Motion carried unanimously.

TREE TRIMMING BIDS

Beecher presented three bids for trimming trees on the city right of way:

Jeff Shepard	\$45.00 per hour
C.C.C. Tree	\$90.00 per hour
Eric Boone	\$92.50 per hour

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Randall, to award the bid to Jeff Shepard. Motion carried unanimously.

NOWAK PAYMENT

Beecher presented the final pay request from Nowak Construction for the Holloway Street Sewer Project.

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Shaffer, to make the final payment to Nowak Construction in the amount of \$46,312.32. Motion carried unanimously.

WATER BILLING

Boone explained to council that with the new radio read meters being installed, we now have the capability to bill water usage by the gallon. It was the consensus of the council to change the billing procedure to bill by the gallon to go into effect with the billing for January 1, 2019. Duncan to prepare the ordinance.

PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS

Wiehn informed council that UMC would be starting the feasibility study at the pool on October 2.

MAYOR COMMENTS

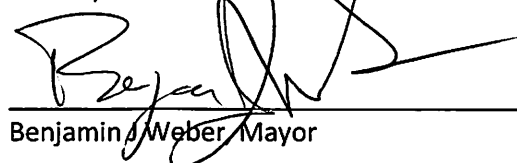
Weber had no comments at this time.

CLAIMS & VOUCHERS

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Beecher, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$54,419.60. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Beecher, seconded by Cathcard, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:00pm.



Benjamin J. Weber, Mayor

ATTEST:




Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved October 15, 2018