

**YATES CENTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 17, 2021**

Yates Center City Council met in regular session on Monday, May 17, 2021, at City Hall. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Wiehn called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call as follows: Reser, Reed, Stewart, Spoon, Cathcard, and Shaffer. Two vacant positions. Other city officials present included: City Attorney Brian Duncan, Public Works Director Eric Boone, Assistant Police Chief Michael Strode, and City Clerk Becky Boice.

**AGENDA AMENDED & APPROVED**

Spoon added sludge drying blocks under public works.

Reser added appointing Chris Cavender to council at the top of the agenda.

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Shaffer, 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 May 3, 2021, meeting as printed. Motion carried with Spoon abstaining.

**CHRIS CAVENDER**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to appoint Chris Cavender to the council seat vacated by Leah Wiehn moving to the mayor seat. Motion carried unanimously.

Cavender was sworn in by the city clerk.

**2020 AUDIT REPORT**

Neil Phillips, with Jarred, Gilmore & Phillips, PA, presented the 2020 audit report.

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Stewart, to accept the 2020 audit report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Duncan had nothing at this time.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS  
ADMINISTRATIVE  
SIDEWALK GRANTS**

Reser presented three applications for the sidewalk grant program.

**WEBER**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to award Ben Weber a grant up to \$750 for the property at 410 S State. Motion carried unanimously.

**DYER**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to award Joy Dyer a grant up to \$400 for the property at 610 N Main. Motion carried unanimously.

**FAULKNER**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to award Wayne Faulkner a grant up to \$750 for the property at 410 N Green. Motion carried unanimously.

**ZONING**

It was the consensus of the council for everyone to review the Chanute zoning regulations and be ready to set the date for a zoning workshop at the next meeting.

**SAFETY**

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 1147**

Duncan presented Ordinance Number 1147 for approval; AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE PLACEMENT OF SPEED LIMIT SIGNS LIMITING SPEED TO 15 MPH ON WEST WILSON STREET BETWEEN TURNER STREET AND WILDCAT LANE IN YATES CENTER, KS.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Stewart, to adopt Ordinance Number 1147 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**ORDINANCE NUMBER 1148**

Duncan presented Ordinance Number 1148 for approval; AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE PLACEMENT OF YIELD SIGNS ON THE NORTH AND SOUTH SIDE OF THE INTERSECTION OF PARK STREET AND RIDGE STREET IN YATES CENTER, KANSAS FOR TRAFFIC ON RIDGE STREET GOING NORTH AND SOUTH AT THE INTERSECTION.

Motion was made by Cathcard, seconded by Stewart, to adopt Ordinance Number 1148 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**PD UPDATE**

Cathcard informed council that the police department was back at three full-time officers.

**PUBLIC WORKS  
300 BLK NAYLOR**

Discussion was held on closing the south half of the 300 block of S Naylor Street to protect the sewer lift station that has been hit numerous times by trucks. Duncan to prepare an ordinance to adopt at the next meeting.

**COX AGREEMENT**

This item was removed from agenda.

**ST DEPT LAPTOP  
WAIVE BID POLICY**

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Shaffer, to waive the bid policy on purchasing a laptop computer for the street department. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Shaffer, to purchase a laptop computer and supplies from Advantage Computer, not to exceed \$1283.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**WALL @ WATER PLANT**

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Shaffer, to waive the bid policy on the repair work needed on the north wall at the water plant. Motion carried unanimously.

Spoon presented a proposal from Hunter and Son Foundation Repair Contractors to repair the north wall at the water plant. Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Stewart, to approve the proposal from Hunter and Son, including galvanized helical piers, not to exceed \$61,472.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**SLUDGE BLOCKS**

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Shaffer, to waive the bid policy to purchase sludge drying blocks for the sewer plant. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Spoon, seconded by Reed, to purchase sludge drying blocks from Roberts Filter Group not to exceed \$14,515.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**PARKS & PUBLIC LANDS  
OIL LEASE EQUIPMENT**

Discussion on the oil lease equipment was tabled.

**POOL PLAQUE**

Motion was made by Shaffer, seconded by Reser, to solicit bids for a plaque commemorating the new swimming pool. Motion carried unanimously.

**POOL PASS DRAWING**

People who attended the swimming pool open house on Sunday, registered for a free family pass for the season. Mayor Wiehn drew the winning name of Sara Griffith.

**MAYOR COMMENTS  
BUDGET WORK SESSION**

Wiehn set a budget work session for 6:00pm on Monday, June 14, at City Hall. She encouraged the committees to meet and have their wish lists together prior to the work session.

**CAVENDER'S COMMITTEES**


Wiehn appointed Cavender to the public works and parks and public lands committees.

**CLAIMS & VOUCHERS**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Reed, to pay the claims and vouchers in the amount of \$166,307.42. Motion carried unanimously.

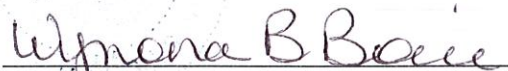
**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Reser, seconded by Cathcard, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously and council adjourned at 8:40pm.



Leah L Wiehn, Mayor

ATTEST:



Wynona B Boice, City Clerk

Approved June 7, 2021