

October 11, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Chapman City Council was held October 11, 2017 at the Chapman City Office. Mayor Jeff Blixt called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Council members present were Howard Battishill, Luan Sparks, Tim Jury, and Lee Wolf. Vacant position open. Also in attendance were City Clerk Erin Tilton, City Administrator John Dudte and City Attorney John Purvis. Others in attendance were Carol Lacer, Marlene Lindahl, Doug Lindahl, Kevin Diercks, Lori Hambright, Diane Leister, Eyimife Dudte, Bobby Kamm, and Senator Randall Hardy.

Mayor Blixt announced that Jim Murrison gave his resignation as a current council member leaving a vacant position to fill.

Agenda #2 Consent Agenda

Motion by Wolf to accept the consent agenda, 2nd Jury, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Agenda #3 Appointment to fill vacant council member position – Clint Thornton

Mayor Blixt recommended Clint Thornton to fill the unexpired term of Jim Murrison. Jim Murrison's position will be up for election in November 2018.

Motion by Sparks to appoint Clint Thornton to the Chapman city council, 2nd Wolf, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Thornton gave a brief introduction is looking forward to serving on the council.

Agenda #4 Public Comments

Lori Hambright, Barn Quint representative, requested the Mayor and Council to consider proclaiming the City of Chapman as "Barn Quilt City of Kansas" at their November meeting. Group participants will have the entire week of November 5th through 11th dedicated to activities centered around the barn quilts in Chapman. Hambright would appreciate the support and will get activity schedules and information to everyone once completed.

Agenda #5 Introduction of Senator Randall Hardy

Senator Randall Hardy of the 24th District of Kansas came and spoke to the council. Senator Hardy represents Saline County and the Northern part of Dickinson County. Hardy recognized some of the issues that Chapman is facing: wastewater, floodplain, and highways. The council was gracious to the Senator for taking time out of his schedule to meet with them. Senator Hardy took a few questions from the audience.

Agenda #6 Resolution 10112017 – BSB Lease agreement on Bobcat Excavator

Renewal of five year lease, all terms stay the same.

Motion by Wolf to approve Resolution 10112017, 2nd Battishill, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Agenda #7 Review and approval of federal holiday schedule

City staff requested a revision to the current holiday schedule. Currently it includes all federal holidays except Columbus Day. City staff also changed language from the day after Thanksgiving to the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Motion by Sparks to approve the addition and change to the holiday schedule, 2nd Battishill, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Blixt requested an addition to the agenda. It was requested to add 8A as non-elected personnel.

Motion by Jury to add 8A to the agenda, 2nd Battishill, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Agenda #8 Executive Session – Non-elected personnel

Mayor Blixt entertained a motion to recess the city council into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel mater exception. K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1).

The meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 7:32pm. The executive session will include the mayor, council members, city administrator, city attorney and city clerk.

Motion by Jury to move the requested motion, 2nd Wolf, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Executive session ended at 7:32pm, no action taken.

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Mayor Blixt entertained a motion to recess the city council into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel pursuant to the non-elected personnel mater exception, K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1).

The meeting will resume in the city council chambers at 7:45pm. The executive session will include the mayor, council members, and city attorney.

Motion by Jury to move the requested motion, 2nd Sparks, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Executive session ended at 7:45pm, no action taken.

Agenda #9 Reports

City Administrator:

- Police vehicle has arrived, came with some awesome equipment and is getting scheduled to be striped and road ready
- Introduction of interim fire chief, Cecil Thrush
 - Fire engine 333 is in the shop with likely a broken pump and/or gear box
 - Council may see something coming their way regarding repairs and/or replacement of fire engine 333
 - Chief Thrush and City Administrator attended the District 1 fire meeting on Monday, asking for continued to support
 - Volunteers are asking for more training, more training will be scheduled
- Tilton has been asked to join the Kansas City Clerks & Municipal Finance Officers Association as a board member
- There have been several bug kills at the waste water plant. City employees are working to narrow down what could be causing this and they will also be working with Carol to get an article in the paper
- Personal recognition was given to Jim Murrison who served over 40 years for the City of Chapman. Dudte expressed that he was going to miss his service as a council member and thanked him for his continued support for moving the City of Chapman forward.

Mayor Blixt

- Mayor Blixt expressed concern and frustration on continued complaints on various streets and pot holes around town.

Agenda #10 Adjournment

Motion by Wolf to adjourn, 2nd Jury, Vote: yes, unanimous. Motion carried.

Agenda #11 Newly purchased police vehicle available to view outside of city hall.