

Council Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2019

The regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council of Audubon Park was held on Monday, October 21, 2019 at 3340 Robin Road, with the following present: Mayor Tony Williams and Councilors Brittney Gorter, Jennifer Kleier, Andrew Klump and Stephanie George. Also present were Chief of Police Mike Minniear, City Attorney Keith Larson and City Clerk Janette Mercer.

Call to Order

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Opening Public Comments

Mayor Williams opened the floor for opening public comments and hearing none he moved on.

Financial Report

The Mayor presented the cash flow report and budget to actual report for the month. He has created a new report that will reflect how the city is working against the budget and hopes to have it each quarter. The Mayor expressed that this tool should help with amending the budget as needed. Andrew Klump questioned the cash on hand for the road fund. There were conversations about the total amount at the end of the fiscal year. Stephanie George made a motion to approve the financial reports. Jennifer Kleier seconded, and the motion passed. (Stephanie George, Jennifer Kleier, Brittney Gorter and Andrew Klump in Favor) (Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman absent)

Police Report

Mayor Williams gave the floor to the Chief of Police. The Chief presented a candidate for the position of Police Chaplin, Todd Weber. He gave a brief description of the Police Chaplin job and a history of Todd Weber's background. The Mayor asked for a motion to approve Mr. Weber for the Police Chaplin position. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve. Brittney Gorter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. (Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter, Jennifer Kleier and Stephanie George in favor) (Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman absent). The Mayor executed the oath of office with Mr. Weber. The Chief covered the code enforcement report and police report. There were conversations about traffic control during Halloween.

Forest Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. Mayor Williams gave the update on the tree planting for the country club and the Audubon Ridge Condos. He also gave an update on the Forest Board Website. There were conversations about the memorial tree program for the public parks. There were lengthy conversations about the Garden Club and their responsibilities.

Parks and Recreation Board Report

The Mayor noted the written report and opened the floor for questions. There were conversations about appointing a person or have a tool for recruiting volunteers and a point person for all city events. The Mayor and councilors discussed the need for more members on this board. Mayor Williams asked if

there was interest in a contest for Christmas decorations for residents and should the city sponsor the prizes.

Unfinished Business

The Mayor asked for a motion to table the approval of the minutes for September at the next regular scheduled council meeting. Brittney Gorter made a motion to table the approval for the September minutes. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. (Brittney Gorter, Andrew Klump, Stephanie George and Jennifer Kleier in favor) (Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman absent)

The Mayor asked Andrew Klump for the second reading of Ordinance 8 Series 2019, AN ORDINANCE UPDATING THE CITY OF AUDUBON PARK CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC TREES, URBAN FOREST, TREE CANOPY, AND ENVIRONMENTAL INFRASTRUCTURE. Andrew Klump made a motion to amend the first reading of the Forest Code that was presented at the September meeting. Jennifer Kleier seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. (Andrew Klump, Brittney Gorter, Stephanie George and Jennifer Kleier in favor) (Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman absent) Mr. Klump discussed some of the changes to the code. Andrew Klump executed the seconded reading of the Forest Board Code summary with the approved amendments. Andrew Klump made a motion to approve the new code. Jennifer Kleier seconded the motion. Stephanie George stated that she doesn't want to approve the forest code without Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman since they are absent, and this is a large part of the City Code. Ms. George wanted to have a special meeting to approve the forest code with the two absent councilor present. There were discussions about how to educate the residents about the forest code. The Mayor asked for a roll call. Andrew Klump in favor. Jennifer Kleier in favor. Stephanie George in favor. Brittney Gorter in favor. (Austin Schwenker and Madeline Bozeman absent). Ordinance 8 Series 2019 passed. Mayor Williams discussed options for publication of Ordinance 8 Series 2019 since it is 15 pages in length.

New Business

The Mayor discussed the need for a new car for the Chief. Mayor Williams also discussed the program that RING is offering. Ring is offering to pay \$50 towards the purchase of a Ring device and other cities in Jefferson County have granted \$50 to their residents.

Mayor's Report

The Mayor is going to start the process of recodification. He is close to completing the employee handbook. He gave updates on city upgrades.

Closing Public Comments

Rose Cantrell, 3128 Sora – Ms. Cantrell gave an update on the garden club meetings. She also gave information about 3 lights being out on Sora and wanted to know when they will be fixed. Mayor Williams clarified that LG&E is responsible for maintaining streetlights and there is a link at Audubon Park's website to LG&E where street light outages can be reported.

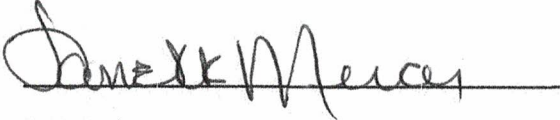
Pete Becker, 3105 Chickadee – Mr. Becker wanted to know if instead of contracting garden work out, could the city hire a part-time help for public works. The Mayor expressed that the city is not in the financial position to hire another part-time public works employee.

Todd Weber, 3130 Sora Ave – Mr. Weber wanted to thank the city for approved his position. He also wanted to express being careful about religious themed decoration contests and to stay away from the best nativity scene.

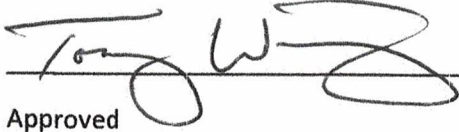
Brittney Gorter made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie George seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 9:11 PM.

The next scheduled meeting is November 18, 2019 at 7:00.

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Attested

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Approved