

The Council of the City of Wellington, Kansas, met in Regular Session on January 2, 2018 at 6:30 p.m., in the City Council Room, City Administration Center, with Council President Vince Wetta presiding.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council member Wetta.

The Invocation was given by Reverend Debra Schmidt of the 1st Presbyterian Church.

Council members Kelly Hawley, Jan Korte, Bill Butts, and Jim Valentine and Vince Wetta were present at roll call. Council member Etter was absent without prior notice. Mayor Hansel was absent with prior notice at roll call.

Members of the Staff present were City Manager Shane Shields, Finance Director/City Clerk Carol Mericle, and City Attorney Shawn DeJarnett.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Dr. Randy Grill, 1202 N. Washington, spoke in regards to the dog attacks that have happened to him as he addressed in a letter to Staff and Council and was in the Agenda. He has talked with Chief Heath in regards to this issue. Council member Valentine told that he and Chief Heath have also talked about this issue. He would like to review the ordinances that deal with vicious dogs. Dr. Grill requested that Council should make Codes to deal with this issue. Council member Valentine said he knows of cities that have banned pit bulls and told of an attack he endured in 2004. Dr. Grill recommended the website www.dogbite.org will tell of dog leash laws. Council member Wetta stated that a work session is necessary to discuss this further. City Manager Shields stated that the City Prosecutor and City Attorney will need to be present at work session. A work session is tentatively scheduled for January 23rd if the City Prosecutor is available.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council member Korte moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council member Butts seconded the motion. The motion carried. The following items were approved under the Consent Agenda.

➤ APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1) Regular Session of December 19, 2017

➤ APPROVAL OF APPROPRIATIONS

- 1) Payroll Report for December 10-23, 2017 \$218,350.00
- 2) Payroll Report- Sick Incentive for 2017 \$58,804.73
- 3) ACH Authorization Voucher #1082 for BCBS for December 13-19, 2017
- 4) ACH Authorization Voucher #1083 for BCBS for December 20-26, 2017
- 5) Claims Register for December 16-31, 2017 \$921,290.34

➤ RECEIPT OF COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Local Retailer's Sales Tax & Compensating Use tax for November 2017
- 2) SRMC Financial Report for November 2017
- 3) HCA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes for November 16, 2017
- 4) WRC board Meeting Minutes for November 8, 2017

- 5) Correspondence from Sumner County Clerk re: City EMS Coverage & Fund Subsidy
- 6) Correspondence from Dr. Randy Grill re: Pit Bulls

REPORTS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council member Valentine shared that most of the windows on the Lincoln Place building have been removed.

Council member Wetta asked about the music that was being played in the downtown area during the Christmas season. City Manager Shields told that the Chamber of Commerce is responsible for the music.

REPORTS OF CITY OFFICIALS

City Clerk Mericle shared the Board/Commission appointments that still need applicants.

ORDINANCES

There were no Ordinances in the Agenda.

RESOLUTIONS

There were no Resolutions in the Agenda.

OTHER

City Manager Shields gave an updated report on the CDBG project. Currently there are four houses that have been approved. Future action will include a bid letting to select the contractors. He also gave an update regarding the Automation of Sanitation/ Recycling Project. A petition to call an election to contest the bond issue for the project has been received by the County Clerk. The County office has the job of checking the validity of those registered voters that signed the petition.

City Manager Shields reminded Council that the next meeting will be on January 8th at 6:30 pm to install the new Council members that were elected in November of 2017. At that meeting the Council will elect a new President and appoint one of the Council to attend the Airport Authority Board in place of Council member Wetta. Council member Korte shared that she has been attending the Health Care meetings at SRMC and asked if someone from the Council should be appointed. City Manager Shields doesn't think that anyone is mandated to go, but will check into it.

A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The motion carried.

Approved and filed this day January 16, 2018

Mayor

City Clerk