

**MINUTES OF THE  
BELTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 24, 2018  
CITY HALL ANNEX, 520 MAIN STREET  
BELTON, MISSOURI**

Mayor Davis called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Councilman Lathrop led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Councilmembers present: Councilwomen Stephanie Davidson, Lorrie Peek, Mayor Jeff Davis, Councilmen Ryan Finn, Jeff Fletcher, Gary Lathrop, Chet Trutzel, Tim Savage, and Dean VanWinkle. Also present: Alexa Barton, City Manager; Megan McGuire, City Attorney; and Kellie Herald, Deputy City Clerk.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Councilman Lathrop moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of a **motion approving the minutes of the July 10, 2018, City Council Regular Meeting**, a **motion approving the June 2018 Municipal Police Judge's Report**, and a **motion approving a temporary caterer's liquor license permit for Embrace the Grape, LLC** for the Fall Festival. Councilman Trutzel seconded. All voted in favor. Consent agenda approved.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT COMBAT VALOR AWARD:**

On April 1, 2018, officers responded to a call regarding a destruction of property and threats. While there, they were confronted by an agitated, obviously impaired suspect. When it was necessary to arrest him, the man fled into the residence and armed himself with a knife. He was ordered to drop the knife, but instead advanced on the officers.

Officer Crawshaw deployed a Taser, but the subject refused to surrender. Officers were able to safely move other residents, and the assailant attacked again. The officers had to resort to deadly force to end the attack. Immediately after the suspect was hit, these same officers provided medical assistance, secured witnesses, and protected the scene. This all occurred in a matter of seconds in a small confined room.

For the brave actions they took under the most trying of situation, Corporal Mary Bruegge, Officer Anthony Haus, Officer Jason Crawshaw and Officer Ron Ridinger were awarded the Department Combat Valor award.

**ORDINANCES:**

Kellie Herald, Deputy City Clerk, gave the final reading of Bill No. 2018-51, as amended: **An ordinance calling an election in the City of Belton, Missouri on the question of increasing the citywide general city sales tax rate by one-half percent (0.5%) solely for the purpose of providing additional funds for public safety.** Presented by Councilman Trutzel, seconded by Councilwoman Peek. Vote on the final reading was recorded; Ayes: 6, Councilwomen Davidson,

Peek, Councilmen Finn, Trutzel, VanWinkle, and Mayor Davis. Noes: 2, Councilmen Lathrop and Savage; Absent: None; Abstain: 1, Councilman Fletcher. Bill No. 2018-51 was declared passed and in full force and effect as Ordinance No. 2018-4453, subject to Mayoral veto.

Ms. Herald read Bill No. 2018-52: **An ordinance calling an election to amend the City of Belton Charter and providing for submission of the charter amendments to the qualified voters of the City for their approval at the general election called and to be held in the City on November 6, 2018.** Presented by Councilwoman Peek, seconded by Councilman Lathrop. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Herald read Bill No. 2018-53: **An ordinance authorizing and approving a rights-of-way agreement for communications facilities between the City of Belton, Missouri and MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp., d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services for placement of various communication facilities on public right-of-way.** Presented by Councilwoman Peek, seconded by Councilman Trutzel. Councilman Lathrop asked, what the City is getting paid for this. Megan McGuire, City Attorney, said she was not sure of the total; it is based on a formula. There will maintain the right-of-way and there are restoration requirements. They have coordinated with MoDOT. Councilman Trutzel mentioned the reconfiguring Y Highway and 58 and putting in utilities just to dig them up again. Ms. McGuire said if they have to be relocated, MCImetro will have to pay for it. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all voting in favor. First reading passed.

Ms. Herald read Bill No. 2018-54: **An ordinance authorizing and approving a Public Services Agreement between the City of Belton, Missouri and Downtown Main Street, Inc. to provide public services support for the Fall Festival in Belton, Missouri in September 2018.** Presented by Councilman Lathrop, seconded by Councilman VanWinkle. Vote on the first reading was recorded with all voting in favor. First reading passed.

## **RESOLUTIONS:**

Ms. Herald read Resolution R2018-39: **A resolution formally accepting the Autumn Woods Subdivision new public infrastructure of 877 feet of 8" water line; 1,187 feet of 8" sanitary sewer line; and one stop sign with a two-year maintenance bond in the amount of \$227,498.00.** Presented by Councilwoman Peek, seconded by Councilman Savage. Councilwoman Davidson asked when the subdivision was going to be completed. Dave Clements, Planning and Building Director, said he did not know but construction will be for several years. There have been four building permits so far and each building will have three units. Vote on the resolution was recorded with all voting in favor.

Ms. Herald read Resolution R2018-40: **A resolution approving payment under Task Agreement 2018-2 for Superior Bowen Asphalt Company, LLC's replacement of the wastewater treatment facility's asphalt driveway for an amount of \$30,875.00.** Presented by Councilman Lathrop, seconded by Councilman VanWinkle. Vote on the resolution was recorded with all voting in favor.

## **CITY COUNCIL LIAISON REPORTS:**

Councilwoman Davidson, Park Board liaison, announced:

- There will be moonlight yoga July 27 at 8:30 p.m. at Memorial Park.  
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- There will be a family luau party July 27 at Memorial Park outdoor water park. The cost is \$2 per person.

- Theater in the Park is doing The Addams Family Musical August 10 at 8:00 p.m. It is free.
- High Blue Wellness Center is a drop-off site for the Chamber of Commerce's Stuff the Bus and Pack the Pantry collection. Please bring your school supply & non-perishable food donations before August 9. All donations will benefit students in the Belton School District.
- Buffalo Wild Wings will donate 20% of a customer's bill to the Belton Park Department if you mention "Team B" to the waiter.

Councilman Trutzel, Public Works liaison, announced:

- The Ultra Beauty water and service line has been tied to the water main.
- Cracker Barrel is progressing and moving fast. It has been suggested there be a pedestrian pathway at Cracker Barrel tied to the High Blue Trail.
- The 58 & Y reconfiguration of the intersection will continue from Conoco to Price Chopper.
- Resurfacing 58 Highway will begin November 2018. There will be a lot of traffic congestion.
- There is work being done by Superior Bowen at 160<sup>th</sup> and Oakland. It is a storm water project. They will have a computer with sensors that will make an evaluation on the streets instead of a person.
- MARC will vote this August or September on possibly rerouting Peculiar Drive.
- It was also suggested Public Works needs to show citizens how money is being spent.

#### **MAYOR'S COMMUNICATIONS:**

- Last week Belton Regional had a ribbon cutting for general surgeons.
- Emergency Nurse Association won the Lantern Award. They are the 19<sup>th</sup> hospital in the nation to receive this award and are the only hospital in Missouri and Kansas to be awarded this.
- There was an ice cream social at the museum over the weekend. Nikki Williams performed. Money was raised for scholarships. It was very successful; they raised \$500.00.
- The Ross ribbon cutting was Saturday morning. There were about 30 people outside waiting for it to open. Ross made a donation of \$2,500 to the school foundation.

#### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

- August 3 KMBZ radio will be doing a spotlight on Belton and Raymore at Brewbakers. They will be broadcasting live so be sure to listen in.
- August 3 is the annual Chamber Steak Fry at Memorial Station at 6:00 p.m. \$30/person, \$5/kids.
- August 7 work session will begin at 6:30 p.m. At 7:00 p.m. there will be an evidentiary appeal hearing for a business license revocation.

#### August & September 2018 meetings

8/7 work session – 6:30 p.m.

8/7 Evidentiary appeal hearing for business license revocation – 7:00 p.m.

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8/14 regular session – 7:00 p.m.

8/28 regular session – 7:00 p.m.

9/4 work session – 7:00 p.m.

9/11 regular session – 7:00 p.m.

9/25 regular session – 7:00 p.m.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

The June 2018 monthly financial report was presented by Sheila Erzen.

At 7:45 p.m. Councilman Savage moved to enter Executive Session to discuss matters pertaining to the hiring, firing, disciplining or promotion of personnel, according to Missouri Statute 610.021.3, and that the record be closed. Councilwoman Peek seconded. The following vote was recorded; Ayes: 9, Councilwoman Davidson, Councilmen Lathrop, Trutzel, Councilwoman Peek, Councilmen Fletcher, Savage, Finn, VanWinkle, Mayor Davis; Noes: None; Absent: None.

The Council returned from Executive Session at 7:57 p.m. The meeting was called back to order at 7:58 p.m. for the oath of office to be administered for the new City Clerk, Andrea Cunningham. Patti Ledford retired as City Clerk after 31 years.

Being no further business, Councilman Savage moved to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Councilwoman Peek seconded. All voted in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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Kellie Herald, Deputy City Clerk

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Jeff Davis, Mayor