

**City of Benton  
City Council Meeting**

**October 18, 2021**

The governing body of the City of Benton, Kansas met in regular session at the Community Building at 150 S. Main St. in the city at 7:00 p.m. Mayor Tyler Gottschalk presided. Members of the council were present as follows: Ross Schoneboom, Dan Claycamp and Cody Smith. Curt Ghormley and Travis Swift were absent.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approve Agenda**

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

**Approve Minutes**

Councilman Claycamp moved to approve the minutes from the September 20, 2021, Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schoneboom. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Claycamp moved to approve the minutes from the 2022 Budget Hearing held on September 20, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion carried 3-0.

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the minutes from the September 20, 2021, regular meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 3-0.

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the minutes from the October 4, 2021, special meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 3-0.

**Public Comment**

**Old Business**

BSAC Board of Directors:

- President – Tyler Gottschalk
- Vice President – James Connley
- Secretary – Brook Wolf
- Treasurer – Draper Bode

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the Benton Sports and Athletic Commission Board of Directors as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

Capital Improvement Plan

Matt Engels presented information and discussion on completing the Capital Improvement Plan for the City of Benton.

City Administrator

Councilman Claycamp updated the council on the status of employing a City of Administrator.

#### Law Enforcement Medical Responsibility

No new information was provided. Ross moved to postpone the discussion for one month. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **New Business**

##### Radar Speed Sign

Chief Moore provided information and options for purchasing a radar speed sign as requested.

Councilman Schoneboom requested a firm quote from Stalker for one like the city demoed be provided at the November council meeting.

Councilman Claycamp requested information on the number of locations where a sign could be placed.

Councilman Schoneboom moved to postpone to the November meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

##### Watershed, 861 N. Kansas

City Engineer Ryan McCune discussed issues with storm water from the Park washing out the gravel in the parking lot of the Car Wash.

Councilman Claycamp moved to approve up to \$3500 for Smith & Company to concrete the area between the storage buildings and the car wash. The motion was seconded by Councilman Schoneboom. Motion passed 3-0.

##### Website update, Civic Plus Proposal

Councilman Schoneboom moved to accept a motion to discuss the proposal for updating the city website. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

Discussion of the Civic Plus Proposal. Council would like to have other quotes to compare with.

Councilman Claycamp moved to postpone to the November meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 2-1. Councilman Schoneboom opposed.

##### Airport Sanitary Sewer

Councilman Schoneboom discussed the sanitary sewer line at Stearman that runs north of the Bar & Grill.

Councilman Schoneboom moved to postpone to the November meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

#### **Department Reports**

##### **City Clerk and City Treasurer -**

Financial report

Renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield for employee health insurance

Received signatures from IdeaTech for the Franchise Tax Ordinance

**Maintenance Dept. –**

Mark Perry update on Generators and Telemetry

**Police Dept. –**

Chief Moore reported the portable radios we were going to purchase will be provided by Butler County who received grant money for the radios.

Calls to service

Councilman Claycamp thanked Chief Moore and Lt. Haines for their work with the Dance and Movie night in the Park.

**Open Discussion**

Councilman Claycamp received a question from a citizen on driving ATV's in the city limits. Councilman Claycamp stated we need to post restrictions on using Kayaks on Poling Pond. Councilman Schoneboom commented on the need for a new updated sign at Poling Pond. Councilman Schoneboom updated the council on the Nature Trail,

**Executive Session**

Councilman Schoneboom moved that the governing body recess into executive session in accordance with K.S.A. 75-4319(b) to discuss non-elected personnel matters/Attorney Client Privilege information. Further, required to attend this session is the Mayor, City Council and City Attorney. Further, that the governing body return to open session at 8:40 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 3-0.

**Reconvene**

Councilman Schoneboom moved to reconvene the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Councilman Claycamp seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

**Employee Compensation**

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve an increase in salary for Mark Perry in the amount of \$5,000 effectively immediately with the current pay cycle. The motion was seconded by Councilman Claycamp. Motion passed 3-0.

**Approve Expenses**

Councilman Schoneboom moved to approve the expenses as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 3-0.

**Adjourn**

Councilman Claycamp moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilman Smith. Motion passed 3-0.