

**CITY OF BUTLER**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**January 20, 2015**

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 22 West Ohio with Mayor Malan presiding. The following Councilmen were present:

**ROLL CALL**

David Brown	Harold Weil
Brian Phillips	Terry Agnew
Thom Burg	Gayle Cook
Gayle Stark	Kyle Dubray

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Others present were City Clerk Casey Koehn, Public Works Director Trent Diehl, Police Chief Randy Beshore, Code Enforcement Officer Jim Wheatley, Bates County Economic Developer Elizabeth Ogg, City Attorney Tom Addleman and Deputy City Clerk Corey Snead.

**OTHER GUESTS**

Jon Dudley, John Pursley, Edith Dulley, John Swanson, Ann Swanson, Terri Jessup, Darin Jones, Shelia Jones, Jessica Harrison, Laura Fritts, Rob Fritts, Jim Arnold, Darlene Blum, Miranda Smith, Stacey Belohaloy, Cathy Wright, Brian Boyd, Melvin Ewing, Nicole Kasik, Derek Hager, Miranda Parlz, Misty Brooks, Curtis Vail, Doug Mayer, Carol Hayes, Carolyn Jett, John Birdy and Linn Nitsche were also in attendance.

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Brown to approve the minutes of the regular session of January 6<sup>th</sup> and closed session of January 6<sup>th</sup>. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Stark to approve the bills presented for payment. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion was made by Brown, seconded by Cook to approve travel/training and the additional training presented for Casey Koehn, Mary Jo Cook and Officer Denny Rich. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**  
**ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS**

None

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**  
**Darlene Bloom**

Darlene Bloom made a request to use the Old High School Gym for a new cheerleading group in Butler. The group offers both recreational and structure cheer. The girls range from 4 years old to 8<sup>th</sup> grade and compete at cheer

competition and cheer at sporting events.

Motion was made by Burg to allow the group to use the Old High School and waive the fee providing that they show liability insurance before they start using the gym, seconded by Phillips. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**Laura Fritts**

Laura Fritts talked about how important it is to keep Maple Senior Living in the community and the benefits it provides the residents.

**Robb Fritts**

Robb Fritts passed out a handout about the benefits that Maple Senior Living provides not only to the local community, but the county as well. That losing Maple Senior Living will reduce the number of beds the county has to offer. That the City needs to look into other options to keep this building open as an assisted living facility.

**Anne Swanson**

Anne Swanson stated that we need to keep a level two facility like Maple Senior Living. That a level two facility can accommodate wheelchairs and other medical needs better.

**Cathy Wright**

Cathy Wright lives next door to Maple Senior Living and does not want to see a Police Department in the neighborhood. That there are too many elderly and children in the neighborhood and this would be a nuisance.

**Misty Brooks**

Misty Brooks the Administrator at Medicalodge stated that the community needs Maple Senior Living. She passed out information in differences between the different facilities the county has verses Nevada.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **City Owned Facilities**

Burg reported that the committees met before council and decided they will take the gift from Maple Senior Living. There has been no decision on what to do with the building yet.

South Park will not be changing names at this time. They will look for other ways to honor CA Moore.

Utility Policy changes had been presented during the committee meeting.

#### **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

##### **Planning Commission**

The Planning Commission approved the expansion of Hooterville and will come before Council on Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>

##### **Park and Recreation**

There were not enough members present for quorum at the meeting. They did discuss South Park renaming and a joint venture with the Vision Committee on a movie night.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**Bills, Ordinances, Resolutions,  
Polices and Proclamations**

None

**REPORTS**

**CITY CLERK  
CDBG DEMO**

CDBG demo project. ALM Environmental, the company that the City contracted with for asbestos removal began work on Monday, Jan 12. Nine houses have had asbestos removal completed. We are still working on those property owners that owe taxes. We cannot demo a house if back taxes are owed. Kaysinger's engineer is working on the bid documents for the actual demolition of the property. The documents will be sent to me next week for review and we will have the RFP in the paper by next week. About a week after the bid is first advertised, we will hold a pre-bid meeting where the contractors can ask questions, and we will give a tour of the properties on the list, so we get more accurate bids from the contractor.

**FIRE RESCUE TRUCK**

Fire Rescue Truck financing bids were sent to all local banks and were received back on Jan 15, 2015. The bid opening was held at that time. A bid sheet was included in the Council packet for review and decision in new business.

**UTLITY POLICY**

The Utility policy revisions are in the packet. The changes that have been proposed are in red. The item will be brought to council for discussion/approval in new business.

**LAGERS**

LAGERS- City of Butler retirement plan. At the last Finance Committee meeting we discussed the possibility of an alternate retirement plan for City employees. The State requires that the entire Supplemental Actuarial Valuation of Alternate LAGERS Benefits report for the City of Butler be made available to the public 45 days out from adoption. I have provided the report in the packet for public view and is available at City Hall as well. Providing the report does not, however, bind the City to a change in the plan. It just has to be made available to the public.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
VISION COMMITTEE**

Georgetown Luncheon will be held January 29, 2015. Invites for the luncheon have been sent out. The Resume Workshop and Job Fair are coming along and will be happening soon.

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

Jim Wheatley gave his report that several warrants have been issued this last week.

**MAYOR**

Mayor Malan stated it was nice to see a full house at the council meeting and that the focus would be to do what was best for the city.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**BROWN**

Brown handed over an application for City Administrator position to the Mayor that had been given to him.

**PHILLIPS**

Phillips stated that a good job had been done on updating the Utility Policy.

**BURG**

Burg thanked City Clerk Koehn on her hard work and was nice to see all the people come out tonight.

**STARK**

Stark appreciated all the different opinions about Maple Senior Living,

**WEIL**

Weil was glad to see everyone that came out tonight.

**AGNEW**

Agnew also glad to see everyone in attendance tonight.

**COOK**

Cook also happy to see everyone and thanked Misty for a good job on explaining everything.

**DUBRAY**

Dubray thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting and for all the information that was shared.

**NEW BUSINESS**  
**Maple Senior Living**

A motion was made by Burg, seconded by Phillips to accept the gift of the Maple Senior Living building. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands

**Fire Rescue Truck**

A motion was made by Phillip, seconded by Cook to accept the bid proposal from Community First Bank for the Fire Rescue Truck. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**Utility Policy**

The revised Utility Policy will come back before council at the next meeting.

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, motion was made by Brown, seconded by Phillips to adjourn the regular meeting and go into close session.

Roll call vote.

Brown – Aye Phillips – Aye Burg – Aye Stark – Aye Weil – Aye Agnew – Aye Cook – Aye Dubray – Aye

ATTEST

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Corey Snead  
Deputy City Clerk

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Mayor Don H. Malan