

**CITY OF BUTLER
MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 19, 2013**

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 2013 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	Brian Boyd
Pat Simons	Doug Wix

OTHERS PRESENT

Others present were City Administrator Mark Arbuthnot, City Clerk Casey Koehn, City Attorney Tom Addleman, Public Works Director Trent Diegl, Officer Jim Wheatley and Lt Jerret Wheatley.

OTHER GUESTS

Joe Bearden and Shannon Barth were also in attendance.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Wix to approve the minutes of the regular session and the closed session of February 5, 2013. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands. Motion by Wix, seconded by Phillips to approve the bills presented for payment. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands. Motion by Wix, seconded by Burg to approve travel/training. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

SCHEDULED GUESTS

Shannon Barth (Relay for Life) asked Council for permission to use the Butler Square on June 1, 2013 for the Relay for Life event. Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Burg to approve as long as it is available. In the instance that it is not available, the Fairgrounds would be made available for use. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Joe Bearden presented Council with information regarding other cities that allow hens to be kept inside city limites for health and welfare reasons. After much discussion, Council decided to look into it.

COMMITTEES
FINANCE COMMITTEE
FY 2013-2014 BUDGET

Councilman Wix reported the Finance Committee met prior to the council meeting at 6:00pm. The topic of discussion was the budget. Motion was made by Wix, seconded by Burg to hold a Public Hearing on Mar 5, 2013 for the budget. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

BOARDS AND COMMISSION
PARK AND REC

Councilman Boyd reported the Park and Recreation Commission had a meeting on Thursday, February 7th at noon at City Hall. They approved the use of the old High School for the Masonic Lodge for a Halloween haunted house this year. They also approved the same fees as last year except for a reduction from \$2.50 to \$2.00 for Lap Swim for the Aquatic Center.

REPORTS
POLICE CHIEF

Lt Wheatley reported that the last officer was hired, officer Rance Mears.

CITY ATTORNEY
PREPAY AT THE PUMP

City Attorney Tom Addleman informed council that he and Jim Wheatley have looked into putting an ordinance in place that would require patrons to pay at the pump for all gas stations. Councilman Phillips recommended inviting all gas station owners to the next City Council meeting to discuss the issue.

**CITY ADMINISTRATOR
UTILITY DROP BOX**

City Administrator Arbuthnot informed council that the Post Office has received complaints about citizens putting their utility bills in the mailbox instead of the City's drop box. Council discussed possible locations to move the box to.

PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

Public Works Director Trent Diehl presented bids for two new mowers to Council. He recommended purchasing two Skaggs from Deems Equipment. Motion was made by Boyd, seconded by Wix to purchase the mowers. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Code Enforcement Officer Wheatley gave the code enforcement report.

MAYOR

Nothing.

COUNCIL MEMBERS

BROWN

Brown had nothing to report.

PHILLIPS

Phillips had nothing to report.

BURG

Burg commended Jim Wheatley for all his hard work.

SIMONS

Simons stated that the City should start the process of hiring a new City Administrator. He stated that his preference would be an older gentleman.

WEIL

Weil agreed with Simons regarding the process of hiring a new Administrator.

AGNEW

Agnew had nothing to report.

BOYD

Boyd had nothing to report.

WIX

Wix had nothing to report.

**NEW BUSINESS
BIDS FOR THE DOWNTOWN
PROJECT**

Arbuthnot asked Council to consider bids for the Downtown Improvement Project. All of the bids and the required documents have been reviewed by Tom Rottinghaus with HNTB and the low bid was submitted by National Streetscape, Inc. for the amount of \$357,977. Motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Wix to accept the bid from National Streetscape, Inc. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

ADJOURN

ATTEST:

City Clerk Casey Koehn

Mayor Don H. Malan

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