

**CITY OF BUTLER**  
**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**May 19th, 2015**

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 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**

Brad Vermaas	Craig Irwin
Brian Phillips	Terry Agnew
Thom Burg	Gayle Cook
Gayle Stark	Carolyn Jett

**OTHERS PRESENT**

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

**OTHER GUESTS**

Susan Anderson, Mary Patrick, Josh Hagberg, Linn Nitsche and Hayden Phillips

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Vermaas to approve the minutes of the regular session of May 4th, 2015. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

Motion by Stark, seconded by Vermaas to approve the correction to the August 14, 2014 minutes. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

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

Motion by Vermaas, seconded by Agnew to approve the training request presented. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**ADDITION TO AGENDA**

To add First Baptist Church to the guest speaker list. To delete David Burris from the guest speaker list and remove the POS system from New Business. Motion by Burg to add and delete the mentioned items from the agenda, seconded by Phillips. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**

**Susan Anderson**

Susan Anderson came before council representing the Butler Saddle Club. They are requesting a route through the city for a 5k run. Ms. Anderson stated that the run raised more than \$2,000 last year. Motion by Stark to approve the 5k run for the Butler Saddle Club, seconded by Burg. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**Josh Hagberg**

Josh Hagberg came before council representing the Butler Alumni Association. The Alumni Association would like to have the Alumni Parade on May 23, 2015 starting at 10:30 am starting at the High School. Motion by Cook to approve the parade for the Alumni Association, seconded by Agnew. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**First Baptist Church**

Brad Vermaas came before council representing First Baptist Church. They are requesting to use the south end of the fairgrounds by the brush pile to make a video. They will be filming the video on 5/30/15 and 6/6/15 starting at 6:30 pm. Motion by Cook to approve the use of the south end of the fairgrounds for the production of the video, seconded by Stark. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**COMMITTEES**

None

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**Park**

Snead reported that he attended the Park and Recreation Commission meeting. They did not have quorum to conduct any business, but did talk about several issues at the pool and park shelter reservations.

**Neighborhood Advisory**

Burg reported that the Neighborhood Advisory met on Monday night. They gave the Code Enforcement Officer a list of properties that have code violations.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Solar Farm Signs**

Koehn presented the two design ideas that MC Power had created. The one sign for the Solar Farm Koehn is having Caleb Jett redo the lamp post for it. The other sign for Georgetown University is still being looked over. Koehn will bring back updated signs at the next meeting.

**BILLS, ORDINANCES,  
RESOLUTIONS, POLICES and  
PROCLAMATIONS**

**Resolution NO 419**

**RES NO 419 CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION AT  
COMMUNITY FIRST BANK FOR SIGNERS**

Motion by Phillips to approve resolution no 419, seconded by Burg. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

**REPORTS**

**CITY CLERK**

The Audit will start on May 26, 2015 the office Troutt Beeman will be here all week

**Police Chief**

Received a \$1,000 grant for the Police Department.

**CITY ADMIN  
CDBG**

Koehn reported that eight houses have been demolished so far. When the project began over 2 years ago, Kaysinger was informed by CDBG that the outbuildings on the properties would not be demolished as part of the project. We are now being told that the outbuildings, as long as they are on the properties, can be demolished as part of the project. City staff has made phone calls asking property owners for permission to tear down dilapidated outbuildings, if budget permits.

**Maple Senior Living**

Koehn met with Darin Carter concerning the real estate contract for the Maple Senior Living building. We are working on getting the School Board members with signing authority to the table. Butler Abstract has started the paperwork for us. We should be able to close the week of May 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Public Works**

Diehl asked the council if they thought a brush pick up should be done after the last storm. Diehl reported that normally pick up is only done after a major storm. Council decided that a brush pick up was necessary at this time.

**Code Enforcement**

Wheatley gave his report on the most recent nuisances.

**MAYOR**

Nothing to report.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Vermaas**

Wanted to praise the Electric Department and Police Department for assisting with a tree that had fallen in his back yard. He also wanted to say that the response time of our Police Department is very good.

**PHILLIPS**

Thanked Trent for fixing the sidewalks and potholes.

**BURG**

Read ordinance about delivery trucks being parked on residential streets. That there is a box truck on Delaware that needs to be moved. It continues to park on the street and is violating the ordinance. Jim Wheatley stated he is looking into the matter.

**STARK**

Nothing to report.

**IRWIN**

Nothing to report.

**AGNEW**

The City looks much better with the houses being torn down.

**COOK**

It was nice seeing the Cub Scouts out picking up Scout Hall and the park.

**JETT**

Nothing to report.

**New Business**

None

**ADJOURN**

There being no further business, motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Burg to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

ATTEST

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Mayor Don H. Malan

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Corey Snead  
City Clerk