

**MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**March 1st, 2016**

The Butler City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 1st, 2016 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 - Absent	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, Bates County Economic Developer Shayla Sparks, and Police Chief Randy Beshore.

**OTHER GUESTS**

Gayle Alexander, Linn Nitsche, Victor Fugate and Mel Ewing

**APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Phillips, seconded by Burg to approve the minutes of the regular session of March 1st, 2016 Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands.

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

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

**DELETION/ADDITION TO AGENDA**

To go into closed session after the regular session council meeting. Motion by Cook to go into closed session, seconded by Stark. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands

**SCHEDULED GUESTS**

None

**COMMITTEES**

**Finance**

Phillips gave the report from the Finance Meeting that was held at 6:00 pm. Koehn is still waiting on health insurance rates to come back, so final budget numbers can be in place for council to review.

**BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS**

**Planning**

Koehn gave the report from the Planning Commission that met on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Planning Commission talked about codes pertaining to mobile homes inside the city limits. Koehn stated that the current codes need to be rewritten so it would pertain to mobile home parks as well. We currently have two mobile home parks within the city limits. Hill Top and another on Adams Street. Our current code only talks about individual trailers and how if they have not been inhabited for over a year utilities cannot be turned back on. Koehn and Addleman will work on a new code and bring it back before council.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

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

None

**Reports**

**CITY CLERK**

The Butler Chamber Dinner is March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 and if anyone from council would like to attend please let Snead know. Snead also informed council that next month disposition of records will be coming before them. Hay bids have went out and are due back by March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Snead will be out of the office from March 7-11<sup>th</sup> for Spring Institute training.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPER**

Sparks will be having a meeting with Dr. Nooks from MMC about the possibility of a Vo Tech College in Butler. They will also talk about using this for Vo tech training for area High Schools. March 10, 2016 the EZ Board will be meeting at City Hall starting at 5:30 p.m. That the Vision Committee will be meeting Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

**POLICE CHIEF**

Had a meeting with the Health Department to plan the annual mock DWI scene at the High School. This exercise will take place on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. Fulton street will need to be blocked off from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. residents on that street will still be able to get in and out of their homes. Motion by Phillips to block off Fulton Street on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2016 from 8:00-10:00 a.m. seconded by Jett. Motion passed unanimously by a show of hands

**CITY ATTORNEY**

Nothing to Report

**CITY ADMIN**

**Missouri Main Street**

The City of Butler's MO Main Street held their first meeting on February 18th at 12 pm. Our first meeting was a success everyone is very excited to start the program. The steering committee will be meeting soon to schedule a town hall meeting which will be attended by Main Street officials.

**1 E. Dakota**

The Public Works Director and Koehn are working on the scope of work for the demo bid at 1E Dakota. We received the engineers report and are still reviewing it. Koehn met with the engineer on Saturday to inspect the building further. Waiting to hear back further from the engineer.

**Cool & Connected**

Koehn submitted the letter of intent for Cool and Connected, a pilot program that provides a team of experts to help community members develop strategies and an action plan for using planned or existing broadband service to promote smart, sustainable community development. Quality broadband access can provide new opportunities for people and businesses. A growing number of communities have combined broadband service with other local assets such as cultural and recreational amenities to attract and retain investment and people, including young people. This can help diversify local economies. Such efforts typically require planning among community leaders, businesses, and internet service providers. The Cool & Connected program will provide assistance to this end, helping communities take advantage of new or existing broadband service to create walk able, connected, economically vibrant main streets and small-town neighborhoods. Koehn received confirmation that our letter was received and will find out in March if we are selected.

**Light Post on the Square**

Koehn presented to council what the paint would look like on the light post around the square. The bases would have a painted on brick look to them. Herrell Construction would be able to do the work and would cost \$1,100. 00. Motion by Stark to move ahead with the project and hire Herrell Construction to do the work, seconded by Cook. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote Burg abstained.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

No Report

**CODE ENFORCEMENT**

No Report.

**MAYOR**

No Report.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**VERMAAS**

Nothing to Report.

**PHILLIPS** Called for a Finance Committee meeting at 6:30 p.m. before the next council meeting.

**BURG** Nothing to Report

**STARK** Nothing to Report.

**IRWIN** Nothing to Report.

**AGNEW** Nothing to Report

**COOK** That the blinds at the Old High School look really bad and need to come down. That the Senior Center needs a new American Flag. Agnew stated he could get one for the center.

**JETT** Wanted to know if the City could come up with an agreement with other property owners to help clean up properties. That the city would provide the labor and equipment and the property owner would pay for the dumpsters. Koehn thought that this could be done.

New Business No New Business

**ADJOURN** There being no further business, motion was made by Phillips, seconded by Burg to adjourn the meeting and go into closed session. Roll Call vote  
Vermass – Absent Burg – Aye Irwin – Aye Cook – Aye  
Phillips – Aye Stark – Aye Agnew – Aye Jett – Aye

ACCORDANCE WITH RSMo 610.021, THE BOARD MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION DURING THIS MEETING TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF LITIGATION, LEGAL ACTIONS, AND/OR COMMUNICATION FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY AS PROVIDED UNDER SECTION 610.021

ATTEST

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Mayor Don H. Malan

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Corey Snead  
City Clerk