

City of Fulton
Regular Council Meeting

February 10, 2020

Mayor Ottens called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and directed the City Clerk to call the roll. On roll call Ald. Gene Field, Margaret Crosthwaite, Dan Nederhoff, Sue VanKampen, Barb Mask, Paul Banker and Keith King. Ald. Mike VanZuiden was absent. Also in attendance Randy Boonstra, Tammy Garibay, Dale Sikkema, Dave Bartels, Dan Clark, Bill Shirk, Officer Neblung and Officer Hamilton.

Pledge of allegiance was recited; invocation was given by Kevin Verhoven.

Visitors at the meeting included; Dan & Kim Bennett, Daniel Nardini, John Rohlf, Jackie Wilkin, Kathy Kuebel, Brad Housenga, Sara Housenga, Jean Wilkin, Meghan Folk, Jean Radar, Jane Luker, Charles Dykstra and Zack Ratcliff. Kim Bennett has a concern about why funds from video gaming and potentially recreational marijuana into the general fund, this is a misappropriation of funds. Personally donated \$2,000 for Woz and now hearing donated funds being put into the general fund. Shirts were made to raise funds for Woz and ended up not being able to use them, wasted money.

Approve consent agenda; approve meeting minutes from January 27, 2020 and approve the bill list. Ald. Mask asked if baby changing stations are in all public restrooms. Dan Clark confirmed 9 changing stations were installed in public restrooms. Also what is square ego white color print for \$172.25 on page 9, Dan Clark confirmed these are bases for stop signs. Ald. Nederhoff asked how many battery chargers were purchased for \$826, Dan Clark confirmed one battery charger was purchased, used for all big equipment, vehicles. Ald. Mask motioned, seconded by Ald. VanKampen to approve the consent agenda. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent).

Business

Park Ad Hoc Committee Presentation (10th Avenue School Park)- Jackie Wilkin, Kathy Kuebel, Zack Ratcliff and Brad Housenga presented current plans. Discussed survey results from citizens of Fulton. Received 443 surveys back and mailed out almost 2700 that is a 16% response rate. Based on the results came up with Phase 1 which is for years 1 to 5. Total amount for Phase 1 is \$220,000; park equipment \$90,740, rubber \$60,000, pavilion \$40,000, basketball courts \$30,000. Phase 2 is years 6 to 10 with possibilities to add water feature, ADA parking on east and south side of park, etc. no prices for these items. Have talked to three different landscape architects about possible layouts, best layout is one shown. Lastly is the funding sources; can do fundraising and accept donations but will not be enough. Would like to apply for grants but most are matching and must have money in place. Asking City of Fulton for 2021 to put \$50,000 from video gaming into park and each year going forward to fund \$25,000 to continue improvements with a completion date of 2028.

Proclamation recognizing January of 2020 as Human Trafficking Awareness month. Ald. Mask motioned, seconded by Ald. Crosthwaite to approve proclamation recognizing January of 2020 as Human Trafficking Awareness month. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent).

Approve the addition of the Drug Policy to the employee handbook. Ald. Mask motioned, seconded by Ald. VanKampen to approve the addition of the Drug Policy to the employee handbook. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent).

Approve the Intergovernmental Cooperative Police Agreement with the City of Savanna. Ald. Field asked if Savanna is to far for aid? Does Savanna have their own K9? Chief Bartels responded by saying with have agreements with Clinton, Clinton County, Dewitt, Morrison, etc. They always try to find the closest person to assist before reaching out farther. Also Savanna does not have a K9 but the Carroll County does. Ald. Crosthwaite motioned, seconded by Ald. King to approve the Intergovernmental Cooperative Police Agreement with the City of Savanna. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent).

Approve Sergeant Hamilton to attend training for IDEOTA in East Peoria April 1-3, 2020. Originally was going to stay at hotel with another officer but they may no longer be going so possibility of having to pay for hotel if he attends the training. Ald. Field motioned, seconded by Ald. King to approve Sergeant Hamilton to attend training for IDEOTA in East Peoria April 1-3, 2020. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent).

Approve Finance Committee recommendation to all the use of \$3,000 from Business Development Fund to continue engineering work on city space at 10th Ave and 4th St. No motion, move to next item on the agenda.

Approve Finance Committee recommendation to close K9 checkbook. Ald. Nederhoff motioned, no second on the motion. Ald. Nederhoff would like item to be put on next agenda, this was a request on audit. Ald. VanKampen believes the K9 funds need to stay with Woz, do not want police department coming back to city for more money if funds run out.

Ald. Mask motioned, seconded by Ald. VanKampen to adjourn to the Committee of the Whole. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent). The council entered the Committee of the Whole at 6:30 PM.

With no further discussion Ald. King, seconded by Ald. Field to adjourn. With voice agreement the council adjourned at 6:59 PM.

Minutes recorded by,

Lindsey Nederhoff

Fulton City Clerk

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Committee of the Whole
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1. Public Input & Presentations
 - a. Mailbox found for post- post on Brunch House property finally found mailbox to put on it. Would like to move to museum property.
 - b. Zoning request- Potential buyer requesting rezoning of property at 10th Avenue and 6th Street for business. Council likes idea of Special Use Permit as suggested by Dale Sikkema.
 - c. Staff recommendations of 5% and 10% cuts for the upcoming fiscal year budget and Administrator's findings on possible income increases. Plan Budget Workshop for Saturday February 22, 2020 at 9 AM.
2. Committee Chair Reports
 - a. Budget/Finance- N/A
 - b. Public Property- N/A
 - c. Public Safety- N/A
 - d. Parks & Recreation- N/A
 - e. Marina- N/A
 - f. Zoning- Meeting tomorrow February 11, 2020 at 6:30 PM.
 - g. Economic Development- N/A
3. Mayor's Report- Need to rotate committee's would recommend staying on one and rotate to another. Get preferences to Mayor by next meeting.
4. City Administrator's Report- included
5. Aldermen Reports- Ald. Mask had meeting on Friday to discuss potential ideas and issues with snow being out back on sidewalks.
6. Public Works Director- meeting with Dave Webber regarding bids for 8th Street project.
7. Police Chief- Meth arrests still continue; majority are occurring in the morning.
8. Adjourn- Ald. King motioned, seconded by Ald. Crosthwaite to adjourn back to the regular council meeting. Roll call vote (7 yes, 1 absent). The council returned to the regular meeting at 6:58 PM.

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