

Minutes from December 6, 2021

Present: Mayor Semisch, Councilmembers Steve Schuetz, Regina Abbott, and Geri Ebersohl  
Absent were Councilmember Bruce Proctor and Darcie Gomez. George Laidler was absent for Maintenance. Steve Howard was absent for the Police. In the audience: Alan Tong, Melissa Donham, Lewis Jones, and Todd Jones.

Mayor Semisch opened the meeting at 6:30

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting on November 8, 2021. Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed 3-0. Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the bills Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

**Attorney:**

Shannon will get an answer about the sidewalk that was torn out at 210 N. Main St.

**PRIDE COMMITTEE:**

Melissa Donham spoke about the things the Pride committee has been doing.

**Old Business:**

Jodie will call with Steve and then if good will order the doors if a vote of council will be approved, this will be done by text.

**Agenda:**

(a) Lewis Jones asked the council about having a small animal as a companion. Steve Schuetz made a motion to allow a small dog with a doctor's note saying it is an emotional support dog and there will be quarterly checks on the property. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Additional conversation had Steve Schuetz make a motion to allow small pets at the Senior Housing with a note from the doctor stating it is an emotional support animal and a \$150 animal deposit on top of the deposit already required and an increase in the rent of \$20 for a pet fee. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

(b) Catlen Young wasn't present but had a presentation ready concerning a Velocity pole. Discussion with Catlen by phone determined he needed to call Velocity and see if the pole could be moved 3 feet over to make it be located in the back yard and get back to the council.

(c) Alan Tong presented a petition about Stadium Street. He was told Stadium Street is on the plans for next year.

(d) Jeff Elliott was not present but had ask the city clerk to represent that he had done some improvements and would like additional time to finish. He is having surgery on his him next month so he will need additional time. Geri Ebersohl made a motion to give Mr. Elliott 3 more 45-day extensions with the understanding that it is expected to be completed. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

**Order of Violations:**

The Mayor designated Geri Ebersohl code enforcement/public officer for the next week until an ordinance is passed on Saturday that will allow paid employees to do this task. Steve Schuetz approved the designation and Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Designation is agreed by a 3-0 vote.

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the Order of Violations. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

## **PUBLIC HEARING:**

none

### **Permit Approvals:**

Fence permit: Gerald Bird at 116 E Mechanic and 118 E Mechanic was denied by a unanimous vote of 3-0. A letter is to be sent telling him to get the fence down or clean all the debris in the back yard and then resubmit a fence permit.

### **Staff Reports:**

#### **Maintenance Report:**

Steve Schuetz made a motion to order a dozen pillows for the water meters. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0. Discussion about the water leak and Butch taking the test.

#### **Clerks Report:**

Steve Schuetz made a motion to allow a yearly subscription to allow fillable forms on the website with the understanding we review it this time next year and if we aren't utilizing it to cancel. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0. Geri Ebersohl made a motion to allow online banking with Vintage Bank Ks with also allowing transfers to be made by Jodie Laidler online when needed and a letter to be written to the bank giving permission to allow transfers to be done within the city bank accounts. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0. Council reviewed the landlord letters and agreed to have them sent out.

**Courts Report:** Court went well this month. Council agreed that written court reports aren't needed anymore unless the job isn't getting done.

**Law Report/ Code Enforcement:** Steve Schuetz made a motion to approve the purchase of 2015 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor Utility Vehicle for the amount of \$6,425.00 to include the ghost lettering and the transport cage and all hubcaps. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to get rid of the Tahoe. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Steve Schuetz made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-08 pertaining to the KDHE loan authorization. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

### **Mayor:**

Steve nominated Geri Ebersohl as President of the Council for the following 2022 year. Nomination was approved 3-0 by council.

Regina made a motion to approve the nominations of the appointments as stated. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0. Regina made a motion to approve the Holidays as listed. Geri 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Regina Abbott made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 16-2021 pertaining to the GAP Waiver. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-08 pertaining to the KDHE loan authorization. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to allow the Mayor to be able to sign any paperwork going forward pertaining to the KDHE loan and grant paperwork. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-09 pertaining to the CMB. Steve Schuetz 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

Regina Abbott made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-10 annexing in Mill Rd we currently take care of. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to pass Ordinance 2021-11 amending the definitions in our ordinance pertaining to our code enforcement 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carried 3-0.

The Mayor upon the publishing of the ordinance designates the Leon law enforcement to be code enforcement/public officer and enforcing officer to uphold the ordinances. Steve Schuetz approved the designation and Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Designation is agreed by a 3-0 vote.

The Mayor upon the publishing of the ordinance designates the city clerk to be code enforcement/public officer and enforcing officer to uphold the ordinances with the main responsibility of doing the paperwork for more efficiency. Steve Schuetz approved the designation and Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Designation is agreed by a 3-0 vote.

The Mayor upon publishing of the ordinance designates the city clerk to get assistance from the Mayor or Geri Ebersohl to take the pictures of violations when the Leon Law enforcement is not available to do so. Steve Schuetz approved the designation and Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Designation is agreed by a 3-0 vote.

Steve Schuetz made a motion to go into executive session concerning personnel for 10 minutes. Geri Ebersohl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0.

Executive session started at 8:15pm.

Executive session out at 8:25pm.

Out of session: No decisions were made.

**Council:**

None

**Open Forum:**

No one

Steve Schuetz made a motion to adjourn. Regina Abbott 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.