

Minutes from January 3, 2023

Present: Mayor Semisch, Councilmembers Geri Ebersohl, Bruce Proctor, Darcie Gomez, Kyle Hrabe, and Joel Lovesee. Dylan Chilcott was present for Maintenance. In the audience: Jeff Elliott, Hollie Jimenez, Jennifer Tirres, Kris Kline (KRWA), Tammy Holt, Kathy Pierce, Ashley Kobeszka, Melissa Donham, and Steven Davis. Deputy Ruth was in attendance for Law.

Bruce Proctor made a motion to approve the minutes of December 5, 2022. Geri Ebersohl 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the bills with the adjustment to the Butler County Sheriff to be \$6656.92 due to the increase in the contract. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Jeff Elliott explained due to weather, health, and other conditions he needs more time. Jeff just needs to repair the roof on the garage and a couple of small items need moved. He has all the materials to do the job.

a) Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve Resolution 01-2023 giving Jeff Elliott (180) days to get his residence at 605 N. Olive St. within compliance.

B. Jeff Elliott said this was the same and due to all the conditions and other things he has just not had time. Geri pointed out it has been ongoing since 2017 and as far as she was concerned if the issue wasn't corrected then the current fence needs to come down and a new one go up that was within compliance.

a) Kyle Hrabe made a motion to approve Resolution 02-2023, with changes, giving Jeff Elliott (180) days to get his property at 204 W. Charles St. within compliance.

Jeff asked if someone could come and show him what everything was that needed to be done. Geri said she would come over and do that and asked Jodie to also list the items for him.

Unfinished Business:

a) Joel Lovesee made a motion to send a letter having the goat at 808 N. Edwards Dr. removed within 30 days. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0. Joel also offered to house the goat on school property with the other animals.

b) Council will send their available dates to the Mayor to set a date for a work session.

Agenda:

(a) Curt Walker was not present. Kris Kline informed the council there were leaks found that the plumber missed. Council said to proceed with the steps to get the bill adjusted and send letter explaining.

(b) Kathy Pierce asked for a month extension on her "POD" sitting in front of her house. Bruce Proctor made a motion to allow the "POD" to be on the property no later than February 1, 2023. Kyle Hrabe 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

(c) Ashley wants to buy the land at 703 N. Main and put a trailer on there, but the year exceeds the 10-year minimum set by current codes. Jodie explained the current codes and Ashley provided pictures of the current trailer. Kyle Hrabe made a motion to give the exception to allow the trailer to be moved in with the stipulations it is to have a permanent foundation and the property is to be made to be within compliance related to the yard. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.0

(d) Steven Davis was present and asked for his animals to be allowed to remain on his property. He has 15 acres. He was unsure of the specific number of chickens and goats but would get a list to the clerk. The Mayor reminded him this year there would be a charge and to bring the list to the clerk and she would let him know what the fees were. Darcie Gomez made a motion to allow the Davis' to keep the current animals on their property and to get them permitted within the code. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

Open Forum:

a) Hollie Jimenez was here about the February meeting to speak about the possible Vacation of the Vine St. She asked if she could visit about it now and since the other person who would be affected by this the council heard Hollie. Hollie did say it would be a financial hardship to make a driveway and she would have to change her address and that would be an inconvenience. Jennifer said she didn't have her paperwork with her, and council asked about visiting about this at the March 6th meeting. Both Hollie and Jennifer agreed.

Permit Approvals:

- a) Fleming building permit is tabled until plans are established to cleaning up the area of his businesses.
- b) Todd Lamb's fence permit was denied. Kyle Hrabe made a motion to allow him 90 days to use wooden post or other approved materials and get rid of the T-post. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.
- (c) Todd Lamb's Velocity pole permit was approved. It is already in place and Jodie reported she has spoken to Velocity and their response was this one "slipped through".
- (d) Kyle Hrabe made a motion to approve the Velocity pole for Mauldin's place. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

Order of Violations:

Bruce Proctor made a motion to approve the Notice of Orders as listed. Kyle Hrabe 2nd. Motion carried 5-0. The council directed the clerk to send a door knocker to Fleming's Feed and Grain.

Committee and Staff Reports:

Pride Committee: Said everything was going well. Angel tree served 29 families and 82 children.

Library Update: Melissa talked about having more reading programs but there hasn't been anything done recently because there haven't been any meetings. She does know there needs to be more volunteers in order to have it open. Mayor did ask to be notified about the Library Board meeting.

Clerks Report/Court Report:

Clerks report was presented. Darcie directed to send an email reminder to Douglas Wheeler to be at the February meeting.

Maintenance Report:

Maintenance report was presented.

Law Report

Deputy Ruth gave a report. Deputy Ruth asked to have license plates for special vehicles

Ordinance(s) and/or Resolution(s):

- (a) Bruce Proctor made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-01 amending water. Kyle Hrabe 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.
- (b) Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve Resolution 03-2023 pertaining to Leak Allowance Policy. Darcie Gomez 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.
- (c) Geri Ebersohl made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-02 pertaining to Article 3 Amendments. Kyle Hrabe 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.
- (d) Darcie Gomez made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-03 pertaining to Sales for CMB/Liquor. Geri Ebersohl 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.
- (e) Geri Ebersohl made a motion to approve the current Water Source Protection Plan. Joel Lovesee 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.0

(f) Darcie Gomez made a motion to approve the current Emergency Water Supply Plan. Geri Ebersohl 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.0

(g) Darcie made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-04 for Evergy. Kyle Hrabe 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor:

(a) Walnut Housing will have a \$10 pet fee for units that have pets. Rent will be increased, and letter needs to be sent notifying the tenants of the increase. Jodie needs to get carpet bids. Kyle Hrabe made a motion to approve the guttering guards from Alliance for Walnut Housing. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion passed 5-0.

(b) Proposed moving the city office into the current council room and building a wall with a glass barrier for protection and moving the council room into the front office. Council discussed this and Mayor will get bids for review.

(c) Jodie told the council the papers on the Beautification Program were for their review and needs ideas on how to proceed if council is interested.

Council:

Had nothing

Formal Action:

Nothing needed

Executive Sessions:

Geri Ebersohl made a motion to go into executive session for non-elected personnel for the amount of 10 minutes. Bruce Proctor 2nd. Motion carried 5-0.

Executive session began at 9:21p.m.

Executive session ended at 9:31p.m.

No decisions were made.

Darcie Gomez made a motion to adjourn. Joel Lovesee 2nd. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:32pm.