

City of Scranton
**Minutes for the Meeting
of the Governing Body
Tuesday August 4, 2015**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sims at 7:00 p.m.

In attendance were Councilmen; Gary Burkdoll, Jennifer Burkdoll, Amy Miner, Randy Ming and Tim Nedeau. Employees; Brent Cox, Scott Lester and Bobi Morris. Citizen; Tom Carnes, Dr. Steve Pegram, Randy Boudeman, Amy Crotinger, Rebecca Lester, Rodger Franks and Brenda Lester.

A motion was made by Councilman Burkdoll to approve the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting of July 21, 2015 as written. Motion was second by Councilwoman Burkdoll. Carried 5 – 0.

Old Business: Mayor Sims recognized Dr. Pegram, Randy Boudeman and Amy Crotinger from the USD 434 School Board. The future plans for the Scranton Attendance Center were discussed. There are no plans to close the school at this time but they have been “discussing viable options to re-purpose” the building.

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion to approve signing the software agreement with Itron. Motion was second by Councilman Ming. Carried 5 – 0

Councilwoman Burkdoll made a motion to approve the Summit program license fee of \$1500.00 to purchase the Third Party Meter Reader Interface Software for the new Itron water meters. Motion was second by Councilman Burkdoll. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Burkdoll accepted a bid of \$1332.00 and authorized Buried Past Consulting, LLC of Overbrook Kansas to perform a cultural resources survey at the City Park as required by the Osage Nation before making park improvements. Motion was second by Councilwoman Burkdoll. Carried 4 – 0 – 1 (Miner abstain)

Councilman Nedeau stated that he didn't see anything that needed changed with the city's nuisance ordinance regarding grass and weeds “we just need to enforce them”. After council discussed the ordinance it was decided to enforce the ordinances on the vacant properties. Council decided it would be better if it's an occupied property to find out why a citizen isn't keeping their property cleaned/mowed. If there is a genuine problem find ways/volunteers that could help resolve the issue as a solution to enforcement.

Council decided to start cleaning up around town and they are starting during the first council meeting in September. After meeting at city hall to pay bills the meeting will move to the city's dog pound where they will be cleaning and making repairs to the pound.

New Business: Mayor Sims recognized Rodger Franks. Mr. Franks had concerns about the water meters being moved and placed in the bottom of the ditch at his trailer park. Mayor Sims will meet with Mr. Franks and Scott Lester at the city office in the morning to go look at the site and decide how to proceed.

Rebecca Lester made a complaint about a neighbor that was harassing her because she has an old camper in her yard.

Councilwoman Burkdoll made a motion at 8:52 p.m. to go in to a five-minute executive session with Brent Cox to discuss non-elected personnel issues. Motion was second by Councilwoman Miner. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:58 p.m.

Council discussed the annual Slow-Pitch Marathon with Brenda Lester.

Councilwoman Burkdoll made a motion to approve a Consumption Permit for the Scranton Athletic Association Marathon and waive the \$25.00 fee. Motion was second by Councilwoman Miner. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion to approve Ordinance 649 and repeal Ordinance 645 regulating traffic within the corporate limits of the city. Motion was second by Councilman Ming. Carried 5 - 0

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion to approve Ordinance 650 and repeal Ordinance 646 regulating public offences within the corporate limits of the city. Motion was second by Councilwoman Burkdoll. Carried 5 - 0

The bridge on Hickory belongs to the county. Scott Lester said the matter will need to go before the County Commissioners for approval.

Brent Cox gave a written report and was asked by the council to get additional pricing on personal cameras with better warranty plans. Consensus of the council was a \$600 camera should have worked for more than two years.

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion at 9:45 p.m. to go in to a twenty-minute executive session with Bobi Morris present for part of the session to discuss non-elected personnel issues. Motion was second by Councilman Ming. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 10:06 p.m.

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion at 10:09 p.m. to go in to a fifteen minute executive session to discuss non-elected personnel issues. Motion was second by Councilwoman Burkdoll. Carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 10:25 p.m.

Councilman Burkdoll made a motion to approve ordinances 29 & 30 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilwoman Miner. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Ming made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 10:29 p.m. Motion was second by Councilman Burkdoll. Carried 5 – 0

Bobi Morris
City Clerk

Approved August 18, 2015