

City of Scranton
Minutes for the Meeting
of the Governing Body
Tuesday November 4, 2008

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

In attendance were councilmen; Eddie Lester, David Barnes, Larry Hulsopple, Jack Mayfield and Ken Croucher, Attorney Todd Luckman, Employees Bobi Morris and Brent Cox, Citizens Tom Carnes, Jennifer Burkdoll, Ethan Kahle, Keith & Betsy Crispin, Jeanne Johnson, Lyle Lafferty, Joe & Joyce Greene.

A motion was made by Councilman Lester to approve the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting on October 7, 2008 as written. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Motion carried 5 – 0

Old Business; The Crossroad contract has been sent to Utility Services and we are waiting to hear from them.

The condemnation for 310 S Brownie has been published and the owner notified by registered mail. The hearing is set for December 16, 2008.

Council reviewed prices for emergency sirens and tabled the issue until later.

Mayor Burkdoll recognized Joe Greene with Osage Waste Disposal. Mr. Greene expressed concerns about the council changing the billing for trash service. Council instructed Todd Luckman to include that trash service would be charged any time a customer has electric or water service to the new ordinance.

Angela Ullery was recognized but not present.

Councilman Lester made a motion at 7:22 p.m. to go in to a fifteen-minute executive session with Todd Luckman present to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 5 – 0. Councilman Lester left the session at 7:36 p.m. Council returned to regular session at 7:38 p.m.

Councilman Barnes made motion at 7:40 p.m. to go in to a fifteen-minute executive session with Todd Luckman for client attorney privilege. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 4 – 1 (Lester) Council returned to regular session at 7:55 p.m.

Lyle Lafferty asked if the city would cut the limbs out of the power lines on the East side of his house. Mr. Lafferty said to leave the limbs on the ground and he will clean them up. Mayor Burkdoll will instruct Scott to take care of it.

Mayor Burkdoll introduced Jon Reid to the council. Mr. Reid is interested in the police chief position. Council stated that they need to get a job discretion prepared before they interview for the position and they would have that done within the next two weeks.

Councilman Barnes made a motion at 8:13 p.m. to go in to a fifteen minute executive session with Todd Luckman present and Bobi Morris present for the last ten-minutes to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion was second by Councilman Croucher. Carried 5 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 8:29 p.m. Mayor Burkdoll recommended Della Beauclair for the city treasurer and assistant clerk with council consent starting at \$9.00 per hour. Councilman Lester made a

motion to approve Mayor Burkdoll's recommendation and appoint Della Beauclair as the city treasurer and assistant clerk. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 5 – 0.

Councilman Hulsopple made a motion to purchase a turkey or ham for the city employees. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Failed 1 – 4 (Lester, Croucher, Barnes, Mayfield) Councilman Croucher made a motion to purchase \$25.00 gift cards from Skip's Thriftway for the city employees. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to have the Christmas Lighting contest and waive the electric fees for the 1st place winner for the month of December, \$50.00 for 2nd place and \$25.00 for 3rd place. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to have the employee appreciation Christmas dinner at 6:00 p.m. on December 13th at the RC Branding Iron restaurant. Motion was second by Councilman Lester.
Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Croucher made a motion to install dead bolt locks on three doors in the city office at an estimated cost of \$100.00 each. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 5 – 0
The clerk was instructed to advertise for bids to replace the ceiling with sheet rock in the clerk's office and the police department in the paper and place notice on the city web site.

Councilman Barnes made a motion to buy and install a new storm warning device at a cost up to \$8000.00. Motion was second by Councilman Croucher. Carried 4 – 1 (Mayfield)

Councilman Lester made a motion to pay for five council members to attend an Ethics course given by the League of Kansas Municipalities on November 21, 2008. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Croucher made a motion to spend \$10,830.00 for 32 utility poles from Koppers. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Barnes made a motion at 8:58 p.m. to take a two minute break. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 9:00 p.m.

Councilman Barnes made a motion at 9:01 p.m. to go in to a five minute executive session with Todd Luckman for client attorney privilege. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 5 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 9:06 p.m.

Councilman Lester made a motion to approve ordinances 39, 40, 41 & 42 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilman Barnes. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman Hulsopple made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 9:08 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Barnes. Motion carried 5 – 0

Bobi Morris
City Clerk

Approved November 20, 2008