

City of Scranton
Minutes for the Meeting
of the Governing Body
Tuesday September 21, 2010

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

In attendance were Councilmen; Eddie Lester, Larry Hulsopple, Jack Mayfield and Randy Jackson, Gary DeShazer was absent. Employees; Scott Lester, Bobi Morris, Christi Miles, and Larry Alexander. Citizens; Ken Croucher, Keith & Betsy Crispin, Tom Carnes, Gabe Faimon, Amanda Frey, and Terry Ralston.

A motion was made by Councilman Hulsopple to approve the minutes for the regular scheduled meeting on September 7, 2010 as amended. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Motion carried 4 – 0

Old Business; Pat Cox gave a brief report on the sewer project. Todd Luckman report on the Railroad permits. Motion was made by Councilman Lester to authorize the payments to Burlington Northern Santa Fe for permits. Motion was second by Councilman Jackson. Carried 4 – 0

Motion was made at 7:16 p.m. by Councilman Mayfield to go in to a ten-minute executive session with Todd Luckman to discuss land acquisitions. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 4 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 7:26 p.m.

Todd Luckman informed the council that if they leave the Kansas Power Pool there wouldn't be any penalties. Council tabled the issue until the city's money is refunded and everyone can be present.

Todd Luckman stated that there was no real risk getting involved with the Energy Efficiency Program. The only problem he could see is the administration costs to the city.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion at 7:33 p.m. to go in to a fifteen-minute executive session with Todd Luckman to discuss personnel issue. Motion was second by Councilman Jackson. Carried 4 – 0 Council returned at 7:49 p.m.

Mayor Barnes opened the sealed bids on the maintenance trucks;

<u>Chevy 4X4</u>	<u>Chevy S-10</u>
\$ 560.00	\$ 401.00
\$ 196.00	\$ 99.00
\$1010.12	\$ 250.00
\$ 500.00	\$ 300.00
\$1505.00 – Evan Noble	\$ 101.00
\$ 285.55	\$ 500.00
\$ 262.00	\$ 505.00 – Evan Noble
\$ 750.00	

Councilman Lester made a motion to accept the highest bids on each truck. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 4 – 0

New Business; Mayor Barnes recognized Sherry Lester. Mrs. Lester made several complaints that she felt she couldn't get resolved through the police department. Neighbor shooting a bb gun, grass not mowed and W 5th street being blocked. Chief Alexander stated that the issues had been addressed and until he has proof of the street being blocked he can't do anything about that.

Councilman Jackson made a motion at 8:03 p.m. to go in to a ten-minute executive session with Todd Luckman and Larry Alexander to discuss personnel issue. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 3 – 1 (Lester) Council returned to regular session at 8:13 p.m.

Mrs. Lester asked for some kind of response to her issues. Mayor Barnes told her the issues would be addressed.

Betsy Crispin questioned why one of the maintenance guys was sitting and another was just standing in the shop at 10:50 p.m. because break time is normally at 10:00. Mayor Barnes stated that the concern was addressed and he received a satisfactory explanation. Mrs. Crispin then suggested that the mayor and council for go their pay for one meeting and use it to purchase the fire departments reflective vests.

Amanda Frey informed the council that there are several street lights burnt out. She also wanted to know why we didn't have stop/yield signs on every corner.

Christi Miles gave the treasurer report. Council did not have any questions/concerns.

Chief Croucher gave the fire report. Councilman Lester made a motion to have the Fire Department enter into a Mutual Aid program with the county sheriff. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 4 – 0 Bryce Romine is going to loan the fire department some vests. AMR will provide us with breathing air as needed.

Chief Alexander gave the police report. The department will have access to 634 online training courses. Painting the curb in front of the PC's Bar & Grill was discussed. Issue was tabled and the Schuler's will be invited to the next council meeting.

Bobi Morris gave the clerk's report. The Herald Chronicle is running the 4H ads again. Clerk was instructed to find out if there is a 4H club in Scranton anymore and only run the ad if there is. Council was presented with a donation request for a benefit softball tournament to raise money to help Scott Lester with his medical expenses being incurred from cancer treatments. Mayor Barnes informed the council that Larry Alexander's ninety day period was up at the same time as Christi Miles' but he had forgot to bring it to the council. The mayor requested that council approve Alexander's permanent status and back date it to the same date as Christi's with benefits starting then as well.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion at 9:05 p.m. to go into a five-minute executive session with Todd Luckman to discuss personnel issue. Alexander asked to be included in the session and Mayfield agreed. Motion was second by Councilman Jackson. Carried 4 – 0 Council returned to regular session at 9:10 p.m.

Mayor Barnes asked for action on the issue. Councilman Hulsopple made a motion to approve Alexander's permanent status and include sick and vacation leave back to when Christi was taken off her ninety day probationary period. Motion was second by Councilman Mayfield. Carried 4 – 0

Councilman Lester discussed a new requirement to dictates the size of signage you must use or you won't qualify for federal funding. Todd Luckman will research the matter and let the council know if the new requirements include third class cities.

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to approve ordinances 35 & 36 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilman Jackson. Carried 4 – 0

Councilman Mayfield made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 9:13 p.m. Motion was second by Councilman Lester. Carried 4 – 0

Bobi Morris
City Clerk

Approved October 5, 2010