

City of Scranton
Minutes for the Meeting
of the Governing Body
Tuesday January 17, 2012

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

In attendance were Councilmen; Gary DeShazer, Robert Sims, Randy Ming & Larry Hulsopple. Randy Jackson was absent. Employees; Bobi Morris, Larry Alexander and Scott Lester. Citizens; Ken Croucher, Brian Retzlaff, Betsy Crispin, Tom Carnes and Gabe Faimon.

Old Business; Building inspector issue tabled.

Damage to the French drain was discussed.

Councilman DeShazer made a motion at 7:05 p.m. to go into a ten-minute executive session with Todd Luckman for client/attorney privilege. Motion was second by Councilman Sims. Carried 4 – 0

Larry Alexander is still waiting on a response about whether the emergency sirens will be compatible with the new broad band system. May know something by the end of the week.

Councilman Sims made a motion at 7:18 p.m. to go in to a fifteen-minute executive session with Todd Luckman for client/attorney privilege. Council returned to regular session at 7:33 p.m.

Mayor Barnes stated that because there are no written rules for the Christmas Lighting contest employees would be allowed to receive the prizes this year. Mayor Barnes is going to write up a policy that will not allow employees to enter in any city sponsored contests in the future. The policy will be added to the Employee Handbook.

Councilman Hulsopple made a motion to pay the first, second and third place winners of the Christmas Lighting contest. Motion was second by Councilman Ming. Carried 4 – 0

New Business; Terry Finton was recognized by Mayor Barnes. Mr. Finton was not present.

Melvin Lester addressed the council about an incident involving the police department. Council explained that since there was an ongoing investigation they would not make any comments.

Brian Retzlaff asked the council if he could shoot of fireworks on January 21st to celebrate Chinese New Year with his family. Chief Croucher agreed to be there with a truck during the display.

Councilman DeShazer made a motion to approve Brian Retzlaff's request for a private fireworks display. Motion was second by Councilman Ming. Carried 4 – 0 Fire

Mayor Barnes will call KPP and ask Colin about the KMU membership dues.

Todd Luckman stated the our water rates with Rural Water #5 should have been \$3.50 per 1000 gallons in February 2011. The clerk will call Rural Water and ask what the current rates are.

Councilman DeShazer made a motion to put \$50.00 in the First Responder's fund for Ted McDaniel's testing and authorize the \$975.00 fee to send Ted McDaniel to EMT pending his signing the contractual agreement with the city. Motion was second by Councilman Sims. Carried 4 – 0

Scott discussed placing a fence around the East lift station to protect a new power wench. Scott didn't think it would be necessary because it can be dismantled and stored inside the station. Scott also expressed concerns about the appearance a fence would have since the lift station is located on the highway when you first enter the city.

Councilman Ming made a motion to send Scott Lester and Bobi Morris to the annual KRWA Conference and Exhibition in Wichita

Councilman Jackson made a motion to approve ordinances 1 & 2 allowing payment of the city debts and payroll. Motion was second by Councilman Hulsopple. Carried 5 – 0

Councilman DeShazer made a motion to adjourn the regular scheduled meeting at 7:22 p.m. Motion was second by Councilman Jackson. Carried 5 – 0

Bobi Morris
City Clerk

Approved January 17, 2012