

MINUTES PARKER CITY COUNCIL
Parker Senior Center
423 W. Kimball, Parker, Kansas
October 11, 2018

Mayor Wayne Burk called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE AND PRAYER: The pledge was given and Kathy Harrison offered the prayer.

<u>ROLL CALL:</u> Wayne Burk, Mayor	Present
Ryan Sobba, President	Present
Jody Bloodgood, Council Member	Present
Lance Burroughs, Council Member	Present
Gary Earley, Council Member	Absent
Jerry Summers, Council Member	Present

ROLL CALL: Cherry Buckley, City Clerk, took the Roll. Four members were present with Gary Earley absent.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Mayor asked if council had read the Minutes from the last meeting and if there were any additions or corrections.

Lance Burroughs moved to approve the Minutes from September 13, 2018 as written. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

Oath of Office for Police Chief: Clerk Buckley gave the Oath of Office to James Akes the new Police Chief.

NEW BUSINESS:

City Attorney: Mayor Burk introduced Richard Fisher, Attorney to the council and welcomed him as our new City Attorney.

Ryan Sobba asked if we had a contract with Mr. Fisher to sign. Mr. Fisher said he would have his secretary put something together.

Clerk Buckley gave Mr. Fisher the Oath of Office.

Night Out Against Crime/Chili Cook-off: Mayor Burk reminded council that the Night Out Against Crime/Chili Cook-off was to be held on Saturday, October 20th. He went on

to say the prize money for the best chili had been raised to \$100 for 1st Place, \$75 for seconded place and \$50 for 3rd Place.

The Mayor said that representatives from the Sheriff's Dept. and the County Commissioner's would be on hand to discuss the proposed County Jail and Government Building. He said his understanding was they would explain about the Question on the November 6th ballot pertaining to a 1% Sales Tax to fund the project and if that doesn't pass how the county will use property taxes instead.

The Mayor also said the Sheriff's Dept. would talk about all the telephone scams going on in the county.

Orth Memorial: Clerk Buckley said the council had voted to plant a Christmas tree in the Park in memory of Robert Orth; however, she was not given a dollar amount to spend on the tree. Ms. Buckley said she had contacted some nurseries and a good sized tree would cost approximately \$300. She went on to say a plaque or possibly a cement slab would be appropriate for a memorial.

Mayor Burk said it would not work to have a cement memorial around the tree because it would out-grow it.

Lance Burroughs said he has a head stone that has not been engraved that he would donate.

Kathy Harrison said a head stone would be a little gruesome.

Ryan Sobba moved to approve to approve the purchase of a Christmas tree for \$300 and that a memorial plaque would be tabled until next meeting. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Burk reported the City received an application from Linn County Economic Development to apply for up to \$2500 to use for a sidewalk project in commercial areas. The Mayor said we would not be guaranteed \$2500 and that to repair and or replace a section of sidewalk would cost thousands.

After some discussion, the matter was tabled.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

City Treasurer, Kathy Harrison, gave the Treasurer's report.

Ryan Sobba moved to pay the October bills as presented. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.

City Clerk, Cherry Buckley, had nothing to report.

Maintenance, Chad Page, said he was planning on filling potholes with cold patch before the weather turned cold.

Water and Sewer Contractor, Chad Page, said due to all the rain the lift station was overwhelmed and the lagoons were filling up. He went on to say there were no problems caused by this.

Compactor Operator, Myrtle Douglas, had nothing to report.

Board Representatives:

PWWSD#13 – Chad Page reported that the City of Linn Valley was still discussing the possibility of joining PWWSD #13.

Park Board – Nothing to report.

At 7:25 p.m. Ryan Sobba moved to adjourn. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.

Submitted by: Cherry Buckley, City Clerk