

Calendar of Events 2018  
MINUTES PARKER CITY COUNCIL  
Parker Senior Center  
423 W. Kimball, Parker, Kansas  
February 8, 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.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Cherry Buckley, City Clerk, took the Roll. Four council members were present and Jody Bloodgood was absent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

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

**Lance Burroughs moved to approve the Minutes from January 11, 2018  
Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Presentation from KWIKOM Internet Service:** Mayor Burk turned the meeting over to Zachery Perez, Vice President and Eric Vogel, Operations Manager of KWIKOM Internet Service for their presentation.

Mr. Perez stated KWIKOM is a wireless internet company located in Iola, Kansas and they provide high-speed internet and telephone services with unlimited long distance within the United States. He went on to say they were here tonight to ask if the city would allow them to put their equipment on the old cable tower at the compactor site and the city water tower under a lease agreement. Mr. Perez said they currently have a presence at Centerville, Greeley, Garnett and Kincaid. He said they also have equipment on RWD #3 towers and PWWS#13 towers.

Lance Burroughs asked if the company would be using the underground cables from the old cable tower. Mr. Vogel said they would be wireless now and possibly install fiber optics for television in the future if it were warranted and the city agreed.

Gary Earley asked about the amount of data available and Mr. Vogel said the data is unlimited. He went on to say the service would originate at the RWD#3 tower east of

Parker and it would bounce off the towers in town. Mr. Vogel said the only challenge would be the number of trees in the southeast corner of the city.

Mr. Perez said there will be no cost to the city and that KWIKOM will pay to install electricity they will need, insurance for the equipment and customer support from 7 am to 7 pm seven days a week. Mr. Perez answered Mr. Burroughs' question regarding customers stating they normally obtain new customers through social media and door to door solicitation.

Mayor Burk said the city requires a \$5.00 permit to solicit door to door.

Mr. Perez stated KWIKOM charges an initial \$75.00 hook-up fee, with monthly internet fees ranging from \$55-\$105. Mr. Vogel added that the \$65 family package was the most popular and includes equipment protection and unlimited data.

Mr. Perez said the lease would pay \$600 per year to the city for both towers running for a term of 5 years and KWIKCOM would provide free internet service to City Hall. He said installation would be sometime the first part of the summer.

**Lance Burroughs moved the city accept KWIKCOM's 5 year lease agreement paying \$600 annually including free internet service to City Hall. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS:** None

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

**City Attorney, Gary Thompson,** was not present.

**City Treasurer, Kathy Harrison,** gave the Treasurer's Report.

There was a question about the necessity of belonging to the Kansas Mayor's Association and the Kansas City Attorney's Associations and whether the city received any benefit from either. Mayor Burk said he did not participate in the Mayor's organization. Councilmember's concluded the City Attorney did not participate either and agreed not to pay annual dues.

**Lance Burroughs moved to pay the February bills with the exception of the Kansas Mayor's Association and the Kansas City Attorney's Association. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**City Clerk, Cherry Buckley,** reported she had an issue with an unnamed customer. She said she was contacted regarding a cash payment that was made but did not show on the customer's February statement. The customer said they had put cash in the red box at City Hall on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Buckley said she had received several payments on January 16<sup>th</sup> including some cash payments but did not receive the payment the customer

was inquiring about. Ms. Buckley continued that she has reviewed the payments received, checked to see if the payment was dropped somewhere or under something and concluded she did not have. She said in ten years she has not lost a payment. She went on to say the customer in question also has another issue pending with the city. A flag pole stand belonging to the customer was damaged by the city's lawn mower last summer and the customer wanted a new flag stand so has refused to pay the late payments accruing on their water bill. Clerk Buckley explained the customer is chronically late on their bill receiving a late fee and/or a red tag every month.

Ms. Buckley said she has had several conversations with this particular customer and would like to offer a compromise to settle the matter once and for all. She suggested the city, in good faith, pay the \$41.50 (basic fee) the customer says was lost and replace the flag pole stand at a cost of \$39.95 which the customer provided to her in a copy of an internet advertisement this afternoon. The clerk went on to report the customer wanted the city to provide some sort of electronic, either through credit/debit card or Pay-Pal to make water payments.

Ryan Sobba asked if the flag pole stand was on city property. The answer was yes. He said we shouldn't pay for something on our property.

Gary Earley said we shouldn't accept any cash payments that aren't put directly into the clerk's hand.

**Lance Burroughs moved the city was not responsible for either the flag pole stand or the lost water payment.**

**Police Chief, Leroy McConico,** was not present

**Maintenance, Chad Page,** said there was nothing to report.

**Water and Sewer Contractor, Chad Page,** had nothing to report.

**Compactor Operator, Myrtle Douglas** said she had nothing to report.

**Board Representatives:**

**PWWSD#13** - Representative Chad Page said there was nothing to report

**Park Board** - Mayor Burk had nothing to report.

**7:50 p.m. Lance Burroughs moved to adjourn. Jerry Summers seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**Submitted by: Cherry Buckley, City Clerk**