

Calendar of Events 2018  
MINUTES PARKER CITY COUNCIL  
Parker Senior Center  
423 W. Kimball, Parker, Kansas  
**April 12, 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 March 8<sup>th</sup> meeting and if there were any additions or corrections.

Lance Burroughs said in the Minutes it states that Cherry Buckley asked council if she should continue paying dues to City Clerks & Municipal Financial Officers of Kansas Association since council had decided to not pay dues for the Mayors Association or the Attorneys Association. He went on to say a decision was made not to pay the dues but no vote was taken. Mayor Burk said he would entertain a motion.

**Lance Burroughs moved not to pay dues for City Clerks & Municipal Financial Officers of Kansas Association. Jerry Summers seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

Lance Burroughs said under the report of the sewer contractor Chad Page had reported he had serviced the lift station and found the cutters were wearing and would need to be replaced soon. Mr. Burroughs asked if the council should have voted to replace the cutters.

Mayor Burk said at the time he had asked Mr. Page to get quotes to buy the cutters. Mr. Page said he is working on that. The Mayor said no vote is necessary until we have quote.

**Lance Burroughs moved to approve the Minutes from March 8, 2018 meeting with the change about the dues. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Street Project 2018:** Mayor Burk said John Byington has retired from the county and Adam Church is now the Asphalt Foreman. He went on to say he had met with Mr. Church and given him the same map and data sheet that is included in the council members' folders. The Mayor said Mr. Church is on board to chip and seal the last section of the street project in Parker. The City will be billed directly for the rock chip, oil and any other materials.

Mayor Burk said the plan is to double chip seal Western Ave. South of Main, Short St. North, and Park Street. We will single chip seal Western Ave. North of Main, South St., Taft and Catalpa St. and Short St. South. The total surface area is 75,010 sq. ft.

Mayor Burk said the City had budgeted \$49,072 for this last section of town and with the cost of rock and oil going he anticipates the cost for the project to be higher. The Mayor said we have a \$20,000 contingency to cover this. The Mayor said he also asked Mr. Church to consider doing the parking lot at Heritage Park and the area around the compactor site which would be an addition 21,350 sq. ft.

The county will be in the area working on county roads in June or July, so that will be the projected time to start our project. Also we're on track to have the entire City chip sealed in 2022 when the county will be in the area working again.

Treasurer, Kathy Harrison, who has recently moved back to town, thanked the City for filling the pot holes on Western Ave. She said it makes a big difference.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Fair Housing Proclamation:** Mayor Burk asked the City Clerk, Cherry Buckley to read the Proclamation provided by the U. S. Government to be signed by the City.

**Lance Burroughs moved to sign the 2018 Fair Housing Proclamation as written. Jerry Summers seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**Insurance and Equipment Review:** Clerk Buckley said she had received a notice from Linn County Insurance regarding the Umbrella portion of the City's insurance policy. The notice is about our Automobile Liability Insurance covered under the Umbrella. This insurance would be at an additional cost. In order to opt out of this coverage we are required by Kansas law to do so in writing.

**Lance Burroughs moved to opt out of the additional Automobile Liability Insurance coverage under the Umbrella section of the City's policy. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it passed 4-0.**

Mayor Burk asked council to review the amounts of coverage shown on the equipment list provided by Linn County Insurance. Coverage will be lowered to as follows:

Massey Ferguson Tractor	\$2000
Sicle Bar Mower	No longer have
Case Backhoe/Tractor	\$2000
Massey Ferguson 7' Blade	\$ 500
King Cutter 6' Brush Hog	\$ 500
72" Land Pride Pull Behind Mower	\$ 500
2015 Badboy Mower	\$2500

It was noted that two pieces of equipment were not listed, a snow blade valued at \$3000 and the skid loader valued at \$20,000. These items should be reported and added to the list.

**PVHS Scholarship:** The Mayor asked council if they would like to provide a scholarship to PVHS this year. He said in the past, the City has donated a \$400 scholarship with a matching amount donated by Heritage Park Board.

**Ryan Sobba moved to donate a \$400 scholarship to PVHS in cooperation with Heritage Park Board donating matching fund. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**Council President Election:** Mayor Burk stated council should elect a new president on a yearly basis and that we hadn't for a while. He said Gary Earley, current President, has done well and his service is appreciated. The Mayor continued by entertaining nominations for City Council President.

Lance Burroughs nominated himself. The Mayor asked if there were any other nominations and Jerry Summers nominated Ryan Sobba. The Mayor asked if there were any other nominations and with none closed the nominations.

**Mayor Burk asked for a vote by show of hands:**

<b>Lance Burroughs for President</b>	<b>2-0</b>
<b>Ryan Sobba for President</b>	<b>2-0</b>

**The Mayor cast the deciding vote to break the tie and announced Ryan Sobba as the 2018-2019 City Council President.**

**Nuttin' Butt Fun Festival:** Mayor Burk said Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> is when Heritage Park will sponsor the annual Nuttin' Butt Fun event. He went on to say there will be a motorcycle ride, music (with some new groups added) and a horseshoe pitch. He said it should be a fun time. The Mayor said the proceeds from the festival help the park board to continue to make improvements at the park.

The Mayor said a one day Special Event Cereal Malt Liquor would be necessary for the beer garden.

**Ryan Sobba moved to approve a Single Day Special Event Cereal Malt Beverage License for the beer garden at the Nuttin' Butt Fun Festival at Heritage Park. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**OTHER BUSINESS:** Cherry Buckley, Municipal Court Clerk, stated that both she and Chief McConico had been talking about the time court starts. At present court begins at 6:00 pm every other month. Currently court has lasted only 10 to 15 minutes a session requiring both clerk and police chief to sit 45 minutes waiting for city council to begin. She went on to say that she and Chief McConico propose that court begin at 6:30 pm beginning with the July session.

Lance Burroughs asked if the Municipal Judge and City Attorney had been asked their opinion. The Ms. Buckley said Chief McConico had contacted both and the City Attorney had not responded and the Municipal Judge said he was okay with a 6:30 pm starting time.

**Ryan Sobba moved to change the start time for Municipal Court to 6:30 pm beginning with the July session. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

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

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

**Jerry Summers moved to pay the April bills. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

**City Clerk, Cherry Buckley,** said she wanted some guidance as far as advertising in the Linn County News for the City that she approves. She said sometimes it seems she is being asked to put the City's name on every little event that occurs. She went on to say she hasn't done a full accounting but it seems like the City is spending a lot on advertising.

Lance Burroughs said that we want people to know about our town and what's happening here.

Ms. Buckley said she agreed and that she advertises every major event the City sponsors and so does the sorority, library and park board. She added that she sends the paper an annual calendar of events in the hopes they will use it in their events section provided as a courtesy.

Mayor Burk said he thought any advertising that is specifically beneficial to the City, local schools or seniors would be sufficient.

**Lance Burroughs moved to limit advertising in the Linn County News to those events that are specifically beneficial to the local schools, senior citizens and/or the City. Ryan Sobba seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

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

**Maintenance, Chad Page,** said the pot holes had been filled on Western Ave. and a manhole cover secured. He said the brush pile was burned as well as limbs and twigs picked up in the park and on other City property.

Mr. Page said the ditch work on Western Ave. should begin this month.

Mayor Burk said a new culvert needs to be installed at the Dunlop property while the ditch work is being done.

**Water and Sewer Contractor, Chad Page,** reported he attended a continuing education class in Wichita this month about lagoon maintenance. Mr. Page asked for approval to purchase a load of gravel for the lift station.

Mayor Burk stated both the water and sewer departments have a \$500 monthly budget for him to use at his discretion.

Lance Burroughs asked if Mr. Page had a quote for the cutters at the lift station and the answer was no he did not stating he thought the cost would exceed his \$500 monthly budget. Mr. Page said he would have the numbers next month.

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

**Board Representatives:**

**PWWSD#13** - Representative Chad Page said the City should receive a small refund on their water bill but was not sure how much or when.

**Park Board** - Mayor Burk had nothing further to report beyond the music festival in June.

**7:45 p.m. Ryan Sobba moved to adjourn. Lance Burroughs seconded the motion and it carried 4-0.**

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