Minutes

Burrton City Council

Burrton City Hall

March 4, 2024

203 N. Burrton Ave.

Burrton, Ks 67020

The March 4, 2024 meeting of the Burrton City Council was called to order by Mayor Missy Ducimetiere at 6:00 p.m. with the following council members present: Greg Robinson, Scott Meyer, Josh Greenhaw and Tonya Hornback. Absent was councilmember Ryan Ratzlaff.

Also, present were staff: City Clerk Kim Ryan and City Superintendent Jon Roberts

Visitors: Karl Matlack, Gerry Campbell, Justin Stuckey, Sheila Meyer, Craig Lang, Emily VanZant, Mitch Hornback, Angela Penner, Kara Schwindt, Beth Ann & Ed Kingsley and Carol Kirk

**Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Robinson to approve the consent agenda.

Seconded by Greenhaw

Motion carried 4-0

**Update on Distressed Property at 139 S. Colorado**

City attorney Brad Jantz is writing a letter to the IRS to see if they will forgive the lien on the property so that the property can be donated to the land bank. Tabled until the next meeting.

**Planning and Zoning Board**

Craig Lang informed the council that the planning and zoning board had a hearing for a couple properties in town. The first was for 210 N. Colorado. The property owner was asking to have the property rezoned from R1 to R2. The planning and zoning board approved the rezoning of that property.

Motion made by Meyer to grant the rezoning of 210 N. Colorado to R2.

Seconded by Robinson

Motion carried 3 with 1 Greenhaw abstaining

The second hearing they had was for a variance at 218 S. Burrton. A shed has been moved in without a building permit and is not set in the proper setbacks. The planning and zoning board did not grant the variance and said the owners need to move the shed.

Motion made by Robinson to not grant the variance for 218 S. Burrton Ave. and give them 60 days from the date of the letter to have it moved.

Seconded by Hornback

Motion carried 3 with 1 Greenhaw abstaining

Planning and zoning also had a request from Leslie Holmgren to allow her to live in her RV on the property at 817 N. Kansas while she builds a house. The city attorney Brad Jantz informed the planning and zoning board that that was not something for them to decide, and that he city council would need to be the ones to make that exception. Leslie Holmgren was not present and the council needed more information from her before they could make any kind of decision.

Josh Greenhaw and Craig Lang both resigned from the planning and zoning board.

**Burrton Community Foundation**

Beth Ann Kingsley informed the council that they would be starting a farmer’s market in May. It will be the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month in the evenings. She was asking for the street to be closed during this time. The city attorney will have a resolution at the next meeting to close Burrton Ave. during this time. She also informed the council that the gala was very successful and they brought in about $2,500 that evening.

**Burrton EMS**

The Burrton EMS would like to enter into a legal contract with the city about the hiring of a full time EMS employee. They would like the employee to be put on the city payroll in order for to be able to have KPER’s retirement and the EMS would reimburse the city for the wages paid out. This is something that the city attorney will need to do, so this item was table until the next meeting when the attorney will be present.

**City Superintendent Report**

City Superintendent Jon Roberts informed the council that he got the new doors ordered for the bathrooms at the ball park. He also talked to the council about the cameras at the park and about putting in motion sensor lights.

**Administrative Items**

**Ordinance #655 Sewer Rates**

Motion made by Robinson to approve ordinance 655 increasing the sewer rates.

Seconded by Greenhaw

Motion carried 3-1 with Meyer voting NO

**April 27th United Way Clean Up Day**

The council talked with the representatives from the school about getting the community involved in this day. They talked about doing a lunch for the people that did volunteer. The School Superintendent Kara Schwindt said she would get some information to the city clerk about how the day was going to work.

**Update on BNSF railroad**

City Clerk Kim Ryan informed the council that all the necessary information and payments had been submitted and that we were just waiting to hear back from the railroad.

**Adjourn**

Motion made by Robinson to adjourn.

Seconded by Greenhaw

Motion carried 4-0