# REGULAR MEETING CITY OF VIENNA CITY COUNCIL MEETING VIENNA CITY HALL 205 North 4th Street October 7, 2020 6:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Vienna met in regular session, Wednesday, October 7, 2020 at Vienna City Hall with the following members and guest:

# **ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:**

Jon Simmons, Mayor
Austin Tuey, Alderman
Alan Racey, Alderman
Richard Owen, Alderman
Jim Evans, Alderman
Melissa Hill, Alderman
Jim Miller, Police Chief.
Brent Williams, Fire Chief
Melissa Presser, City Attorney
Aleatha Wright, City Clerk
Shane Racey, Supt
Phil Morris, Depot

# ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS ABSENT:

Michelle Meyers, Treasurer Steve Penrod, Alderman

### **GUESTS**

Joseph Emery

There being a quorum, Mayor Simmons called the meeting of the Vienna City Council to order at 6:30 p.m.

### NEW BUSINESS

Alderman Racey made a motion to Approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda consisting of the September 16, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes and the Warrant (\$67,513.30). Alderman Hill seconded the motion. All in favor, Motion carried.

Casey Pollard and Jeffrey Isbell were both present from Shawnee Worship Center to request the city's permission to hold a "drive thru" trunk or treat in the city park on Halloween evening from 5 p.m. to 7p.m. with the park being closed off at 4 p.m. to prepare for the event. Council gave consent.

Max Hook was present to inform council of a circuit box that needed replaced under the pavilion near concessions at the city ballpark. Hook said the estimated cost would be \$458.00 including material and labor. Alderman Owen made a motion to approve General Funds for the repairs seconded by Alderman Racey. All in favor, Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kelli Watson, Johnson County Animal Control Warden was present to review a draft agreement with council. Watson said she was independently contracting with surrounding cities. A question/answer session took place over the contract. Watson said changes would be made and a revised contract agreement would be sent to the city. Wright said she would forward revised contract to city attorney for review when received.

# **ELECTED/APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

Simmons made remarks on the Local 773 food drive that had taken place the day before thanking all involved for a successful turnout. Simmons also commented on the ground breaking event for the "Phil Morris Amphitheater" at the city park that was held Tues, October 6th.

Simmons announced that he would not be seeking reelection in the spring 2021 election. Simmons commented on his almost 12 years of service with the city expressing gratitude towards all those that he had worked with.

City attorney Presser discussed the proposed camping tax with council. Presser said she was unsure if an agreement would be valid for imposing a tax. Discussion was had with council. Presser mentioned contacting the city's auditor.

Clerk Wright updated council on recent TIF joint review meeting that took place via zoom Sept 30<sup>th</sup>. Wright also said the demolition of two dilapidated homes would begin the following week as both environmental and historical clearances were received.

Supt. Racey mentioned cutting and capping a waterline concerning the amphitheater/restroom facility project at the city park. Racey also mentioned looking for used refrigerator for the public works dept.

Police Chief Miller said he had a service worker picking up trash on the interstate the past week. Miller updated council on a citation given for tall grass and briefly updated council on response received for a part time officer.

Fire Chief Williams said Halloween at the Fire Dept would be Saturday, October 31st from 5-8 p.m.

Phil Morris said the 50/100 mile run would take place November 14<sup>th</sup> &15<sup>th</sup> with only 100 runners due to covid19. Morris said fruit and water would need to be ordered for the event. Wright said it would be on the agenda at the next scheduled meeting for approval.

Morris said that JCRC would like to officially present the city with a check for the amphitheater project. A date was set for the November 4<sup>th</sup> council meeting.

Morris announced he would be retiring at the end of December. Alderman Owen mentioned seeking replacement for the position of Depot Coordinator. Brief discussion was had of the position for the 2021 year.

Alderman Racey mentioned the city considering to construct a concrete area in front of the upcoming amphitheater for future events at the city park.

As there was no further business to discuss Alderman Owen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderman Tuey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Simmons declared the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

For APPROVAL: October 21, 2020

Jon A. Simmons, Mayor

Aleatha Wright, City Clerk