

**MINUTES
CITY OF ALTAMONT
May 12, 2022**

- REGULAR MEETING The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM with Mayor Richard Hayward presiding. Mayor Hayward opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance and prayer. Councilmembers present: Raymond Coffey, Lyle Sykes and Cameron Johnston.
- MINUTES Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to accept the minutes of the last meeting as they are. Motion carried.
- INVOICES Councilmember Sykes moved and Coffey seconded to approve the invoices for a total of \$36,337.36. Motion carried.
- JODY SPARKS Jody requested alcohol waiver and extended use until 11PM on for June 25, 2022.
Councilmember Johnston moved and Sykes seconded to approve the use of alcohol and or beer at the Park Building for Jody Sparks on June 25th. Motion carried.
Councilmember Sykes moved and Coffey Seconded to extend the standard time from 10PM to 11PM for the Jody Sparks rental on June 25th. Motion Carried.
- 2021 CITY AUDIT Kyle Spielbusch was in attendance to present the results of the 2021 City Audit to Council.
- ANNEXATION Robert Myers explained the importance of squaring up and annexing the entire property, due to the current criteria that states, that it be in the City Boundaries and have at least 50% of the boundary lines with the City. Councilmember Coffey would prefer that the Whittley's (Arra and Ralph "Junior") change their request to annex in their entire property, rather than just the small area previously requested. Council was in agreeance to reach out to Whittley's and ask them about squaring up and annexing their entire property.
- POLICE RADIOS Council was provided with three lease agreement options in their packets.
Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to go with Labette Bank on the 3.69% interest rate. Motion Carried.
Councilmember Coffey rescinded the motion to move forward with a seven year contract as we discussed in the past to purchase the radios in the amount of option three and revisiting the extended warranty at a later time, and authorize the execution of all the appropriate documents for those with Labette Bank. Motion Carried.
- KMEA Council received the KMEA update in their packets, pertaining to the natural gas prices.
- APPOINTMENTS Mayor Hayward made the following appointments:
City Administrator – LeaAnn Myers. Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to approve LeaAnn Myers as the City Administrator. Motion carried
City Clerk – Heather Beasley. Councilmember Johnston moved and Sykes seconded to approve Heather Beasley as the City Clerk. Motion carried
City Treasurer – Bridget Nash. Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to approve Bridget Nash as the City Treasurer. Motion carried
City Superintendent – Brad Myers. Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to approve Brad Myers as the City Superintendent. Motion carried
Chief of Police – Michael Shields. Councilmember Johnston moved and Sykes seconded to approve Michael Shields as the Chief of Police. Motion carried.
Police Officer – Jonathan Davis. Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to approve Jonathan Davis as full time Police Officer. Motion carried.
Police Officer – Christian Powell. Councilmember Sykes moved and Coffey seconded to approve Christian Powell as full time Police Officer. Motion carried
Police Officer – Tyrone Wooden. Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to approve Tyrone Wooden as full time Police Officer. Motion carried.

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Fire Chief – Bryson Shaffer. Councilmember Sykes moved and Coffey seconded to approve Bryson Shaffer as the Fire Chief. Motion carried.

City Attorney – Robert Myers. Councilmember Johnston moved and Coffey seconded to approve Robert Myers as the City Attorney. Motion carried.

Assistant City Attorney – Amy Ross. Councilmember Sykes moved and Johnston seconded to approve Amy Ross as the Assistant City Attorney. Motion carried.

City Judge – Brian Johnson. Councilmember Johnston moved and Coffey seconded to approve Brian Johnson as the City Judge. Motion carried.

Official Newspaper – Labette Avenue. Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to approve Labette Avenue as the official newspaper. Motion carried.

Official Depository – Labette Bank. Councilmember Sykes moved and Coffey seconded to approve Labette Bank as the Official Depository. Motion carried.

Designated Health Provider – Labette Health. Councilmember Johnston moved and Sykes seconded to approve Labette Health as the Designated Health Provider. Motion carried.

City Council President – Ben Cochran. Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to appoint Ben Cochran as Council President. Motion carried.

AUDIT APPROVAL

Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to approve the 2021 City Audit. Motion carried.

FLAG DAY

Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to close Huston Street from 4th to 6th for Flag Day June, 11 2022. Motion carried.

Councilmember Coffey moved and Sykes seconded to close 5th street from Huston to the alley, West of Huston for the Flag Day Celebration June 11, 2022. Motion carried.

CMB license approval tabled, to wait for the insurance quote.

Diana Vernon is working on organizing the Vendor entries for the Vendor Fair, booths will open at 10AM

Councilmember Coffey moved and Johnston seconded to give a Free Swim from 2-4PM on Flag Day June 11, 2022. Motion carried.

Bryson Shaffer will update on whether or not the Kids Cool Down by the Firetruck will happen after their Fire Meeting next week.

Tricia Poe is planning the 5K and has intentions of using the same route that has been used in the past for that run. Registration will begin at 7:30AM with the run starting at 8AM.

Gabe Vitt is in charge of the BBQ Contest this year, with the same rules as previously used and a registration fee of \$100/team.

Kramers Petting Zoo will set up from 10AM-3PM and they will be sponsored by Labette Health this year.

Brett Seager will provide the live entertainment from 6-9PM

VB Inflatables will set up starting at noon and will provide their own attendants to work those, so we will not be in charge of running those. Heather Beasley will verify their liability insurance on those inflatables and request a copy.

Turtles Races will begin at 11AM

Steve Strasser will be coordinating the Bags Tournament, with the boards being provided and teams providing their own bags. The entry will be \$20 a team and bags will fly at 2PM

Amber Walker will be putting a Softball Tournament together this fall and plans to donate all of the money raised back to Flag Day.

MCMILLEN PARK

Council agreed that it would be easier and more convenient to schedule a work session prior to a Council Meeting. A work session to prioritize projects for McMillen Park was tentatively scheduled for 6PM Thursday June 9th.

LeaAnn Myers will be getting some more detailed drawings of amenities for specific parts of the plan.

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CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **Pool** - Accepted applications for open lifeguard positions
 - a. Offered two candidates a position to fill openings
 - b. Purchased supplies and concessions for the pool
 - c. Paige March will be training our lifeguards again this year.
 - d. The Utility Department has completed painting the pool.
 - e. The Pool staff is updating the paint inside the Pool House.
 - f. The Pool will open on Saturday, May 28 at 1 p.m.
 - g. Season Passes are available through the City Office.
2. **Police Truck** - The 2020 Ram police truck has been picked up and brought to Altamont.
 - a. The Police department stripped the equipment out of the 2017 Ram.
 - b. The Utility department has started removing the police decals from the 2017 Ram.
 - c. Quality Motors has ordered the motor for the 2017 Ram truck. They estimated the motor may either ship or be in around May 18th.
3. **Grant writing** - Heather Beasley received her grant writing certificate through Fort Hays State University. Congratulations Heather!
4. **Dean Ruark** - Dean Ruark got his camper moved from the lake.
5. **Cook's Service** - Cook's Service has started working on the building behind the Police Department. Doors have been installed.
6. **Flag Day** - We were informed by the party who was planning Flag Day, due to other commitments, they are not able to plan the event. Heather has been pulling resources together to host Flag Day.
7. **KMEA** - Brad Myers and I attended a webinar about advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) for automated utility meter readers through a partnership offered by KMEA and Tantalus.
8. **Work Session** - I would like to set up a work session to prioritize amenities for McMillen Park. GMLV Architecture and Dick Horton Consulting provided a priority tool to help with this conversation. This will help us get a game plan moving forward.

COMMUNICATIONS

Altamont Pool opens Saturday May, 28 at 1PM. Pool Passes can be purchased or added to your Altamont Utility bill by contacting the City Office.
The City Office will be closed Monday May, 30th in observance of Memorial Day.
The Kids Fishing Derby will be held Saturday June, 4th.

ADJOURN

Councilmember Johnston moved and Coffey seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. 8:04PM

DATE

Heather Beasley, City Clerk