

City of Baldwin City
Minutes from the May 07, 2019
Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Simoneau called the Public Hearing at 6:45 p.m. Present were Council Members: Tony Brown, David Simmons, Brian Cramer and Susan Pitts. Also, attending: Glenn Rodden-City Administrator; Laura Hartman, City Clerk; Mike Patrick, Police Chief; and City Attorney, Blake Glover.

Community Development Block Grant - Mayor Simoneau opened the Public Hearing and asked the public if anyone had comments regarding the public hearing.

Ken Synder, 301 Washington Street - Ken spoke in favor of the grant application process for Midland Railway.
Jerry Smith, 1308 High Street - Jerry inquired about the process of applying for a grant for this purpose. He didn't understand why the railway needed a grant. Lisa Koch, Groundswell Consulting spoke to this question.
Jason Mock, 1515 Maple Leaf Court - Jason asked about the City liability. Mayor stated there is no risk to the City, we are a pass through for the grant application process.

Jerry Smith asked why the City became involved with this and asked who asked the City. Mayor Simoneau said the Director of Midland Railway, A.J. Stevens. Lisa added, Midland RR is a non-profit organization, so they have a director. LLG is a for profit railroad. Jerry asked what does it stand for Leavenworth Lawrence Galveston Railroad.

Mayor closed the public hearing. Time 6:55 p.m.

The Baldwin City Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. at the Baldwin City Public Library, 800 7th Street, with Mayor Casey Simoneau presiding.

Present were Council Members: Tony Brown, David Simmons, Brian Cramer, A.J. Stevens and Susan Pitts. Also, attending: Glenn Rodden-City Administrator; Laura Hartman, City Clerk; Mike Patrick, Police Chief; and City Attorney, Blake Glover.

- A. Call to Order: Mayor Casey Simoneau called the regular council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

- B. Approval of Agenda: David Simmons moved and Brian Cramer seconded to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no. David Simmons asked to move Baldwin Golf Association event -BYOB to New Business number 2.

- C. Consent Agenda: Council considered
 1. Baldwin Golf Course - Smoke on the Bricks event
 - a. Resolution - 2019-06
 2. Baldwin Golf Association - BYOB events
 - b. Resolution - 2019-07
 3. Maple Leaf
 - c. Resolution 2019-04, 2019-05
 4. Baldwin City Recreation - Summer Concert/Movie Series
 - d. Resolution 2019-08

5. Baldwin City Recreation - Independence Day Celebration
 - e. Resolution 2019-09
6. Chamber of Commerce - Baldwin City Car Show 2019
7. Liquor License Renewal - El Patron
8. Saltmine noise waiver - Resolution 2019-11

Brian Cramer moved and Susan Pitts seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no.

D. Public Comment:

Zach Larson, Free State Fencing spoke to the dog park and said he submitted a bid and wanted to share with council their companies process.

E. Special Reports or Presentations: There were none.

F. Old Business:

Ordinance - Waterline agreement loan - This was a second reading of this ordinance. A.J. Stevens moved and Brian Cramer seconded to approve Ordinance No. 1402, second amendment to the water loan agreement. David said we need a funding mechanism to pay this loan. He stated we will need to adjust our rates. A.J. Stevens added we need to increase rates or move funds in our budget. Roll call vote required. A roll call vote was taken. Simmons, aye; Cramer, aye; Stevens, aye; Brown, aye; Pitts, aye. Motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nay.

2. Police Department - A.J. Stevens moved and Susan Pitts seconded to move this item to # 3 under old business. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no.

Ordinance No. 1403 - Condemnation - Passing this ordinance allows the City of Baldwin City to initiate eminent domain proceedings to acquire two easements for the Highway 56 project. The council approved a resolution in November 2018. In order for the City to move forward, an ordinance needs to accompany the resolution.

A.J. Stevens moved and David Simmons seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 1403, Condemnation for construction - US Hwy 56- Eisenhower to First Street. A roll call vote was called. Simmons, aye; Cramer, aye; Stevens, aye; Brown, aye; Pitts, aye. Motion carried with 5 ayes and 0 nay.

G. New Business: A.J. Stevens recused himself from this agenda item for a conflict of interest.

Resolution 2019-10 Community Development Block Grant - Midland/LL&G Railroad is seeking a low-interest business finance loan in the amount of \$733,000.00 from the Kansas Department of

Commerce. In order to obtain that funding, the City of Baldwin City must apply for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant. Once the city has received funding it loans the funds to LL&G RR. Baldwin City is not contributing any funds and is at no risk. Koch, a consultant working with LL&G RR on this grant gave a presentation to answer questions about the application process. Council ensued discussion. Mayor asked for public comment. Jason Mock asked to what extent does the City have to engage should collection upon debt be required. Jessica said they will be working with CDBG with the details. Peach Madl- said this is exciting and fun. Mayor asked if there was any further Council discussion Susan Pitts moved and David Simmons seconded to approve Resolution 2019-10, Community Development Block Grant. Motion carried with a vote of 4 yes and 0 no.

BYOB Baldwin Golf Association events - This item was moved from the consent agenda to new business. David shared concerns of this application because it does not list the number of events and is not like other special event applications council has received. Mayor Simoneau spoke to David's concerns. Council continued discussion. Paul Vandertuig, Board of Director of Baldwin Golf Course spoke to this item. David asked if an application could be submitted that has the dates of each event. Mayor Simoneau said we are getting too far into the weeds and making more of this than we should be. Peach Madl spoke about personal consumption in Lawrence at public places, stating this not something new and is common practice. A.J. Stevens moved and Susan Pitts seconded to approve the application and Resolution 2019-07 for personal BYOB consumption. Motion carried with a vote of 4 yes and 1 no.

New Police Department Building - Jay Zimmerschied presented documents to review and answer questions council members may have regarding the new police facility to be constructed on Highway 56. David said this was the first time he has seen these as he was unable to attend a previous work session. David asked about the fitness center and bathrooms. A.J. inquired about the layout of the bathrooms and location. Mayor asked for comments from the public. Jerry Smith commented the sally port is not necessary for this small of a city. He stated what you are talking about is something that would be for Lawrence. Jerry also said you might consider a bathroom for the in-custody persons. Tony stated this has been a long standing project and something we need to move forward with.

Tony Brown moved and Brian Cramer seconded to approve the plans submitted by Zimmerschied Architect for the police department building. Motion carried with a vote of 4 yes and 1 no.

H. Committee Reports:

1. Budget and Finance - Susan Pitts/A.J. Stevens - Will meet in the morning, 7:30 a.m. and will meet weekly, on Wednesday going forward.
2. Community Development - Brian Cramer/David Simmons - Discussed updates on dog park, lotatorium, Westar request, rental policy, entrance sign updates and policy for nonprofits. David Devore will meet with committee. David Simmons updated the committee on the dog park. A.J. talked about future development projects with the committee as well.
3. Public Health and Safety - Tony Brown/Brian Cramer - Moved the meeting to May 16, 2019 at City Hall to discuss manufactured homes.
4. Public Works and Utilities - David Simmons/Tony Brown - Met and discussed additional water options in the county. Will not meet May 23, but will meet May 16, 2019 at 7:00 a.m at Public Utility Building.
5. Sidewalks and Trails - A.J. Stevens/Susan Pitts No report, next meeting June 6, 2019 7:00 PM

I. City Administrator and Staff Comments :

J. Council & Mayor Comments: Mayor Simoneau reminded council members of the memorial dedication for Steve and Alison Bauer, May 16 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Lumberyard Arts Center.

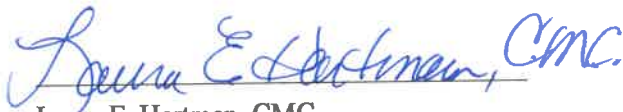
K. Executive Session – A. J. Stevens moved and Brian Cramer seconded to recess into executive session to discuss acquisition of real property with Dave Hill, Glenn Rodden and Blake Glover. The open meeting will resume at 8:45 p.m.15 minutes. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no.

Brian Cramer moved and Susan Pitts seconded to extend executive session for discussion of acquisition of real property with Dave Hill, Glenn Rodden and Blake Glover. The open meeting will resume at 8:51 p.m.

Mayor Simoneau called the meeting back into open session. Time: 8:51 p.m.

L. Adjourn – David Simmons moved and Susan Pitts seconded to adjourn the regular meeting. Motion carried with a vote of 5 yes and 0 no. Time 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Laura E. Hartman, CMC

City Clerk

Approved by the governing board on 05. 21, 2019.

Attest:


Glenn Rodden
City Administrator

