

City Clerk's Office
August 14, 2017
5:00 p.m.

The governing body of the City of Syracuse met in regular session on August 14, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Clerk's Office. Councilmembers present were Steve Schell, Vance Keller, Michele Boy, Matt Gould and Mayor, Blake Upson. Employees present were Brian Boyd, Linda Dinkel, City Clerk, and Daliz Oquendo, City Treasurer. Absent was Councilman Dustin Doze.

Mayor Upson opened the meeting by leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

Derek Hatcher, Kelly Hatcher, Sharon Englert, Aaron Plunkett and Richard Plunkett joined the meeting during Public Comments to discuss the storm water drainage and problems the large amounts of rainfall have created. Brian Boyd explained that the airport board and the board of county commissioners have approved redirecting storm water from the airport to the west, away from the north side of the city. Adding a storm drain has been discussed. Boyd will call the city engineer to pursue the feasibility of additional storm water drains.

At 5:07 David Stimatze, Fire Chief arrived.

Mayor Upson opened the Budget Hearing.

There were no comments, concerns, or questions about the proposed budget.

The Budget hearing was closed.

Councilwoman Boy made motion to adopt the budget for the year 2018. Motion was seconded by Councilman Schell. Motion passed unanimously.

Bryson Luebbers was presented with the Citizen of Month for helping at the Extension Service Lunch program through the summer.

Councilmember Keller made motion to approve the agenda. Motion was seconded by Councilman Schell. Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of July 10, 2017 were approved on motion by Councilman Keller, seconded by Councilwoman Boy. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Gould made motion to approve Appropriation Ord. #937 in the amount of \$132,843.31. Motion was duly seconded and passed unanimously.

Ordinance No. 692: AN ORDINANCE FIXING SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE WITHIN THE CITY OF SYRACUSE, KANSAS, AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 685 AND ANY OTHER ORDINANCES OR PARTS THEREOF THAT ARE IN CONFLICT WITH THIS ORDINANCE, was read section by section and as a whole.

Councilman Schell made motion to adopt Ordinance No. 692. Councilwoman Boy seconded the motion and motion pass unanimously.

On recommendation from the Dog Committee, Councilwoman Boy made motion for the charge for a person to surrender a dog to the Animal control officer is \$75.00 if relinquished on the first offense and \$150 after the second offense. Motion was seconded by Councilman Keller and passed unanimously.

Sand Park: At this time Sam's Pond is still under a Watch for blue/green algae and cell counts. We are getting ready to add hook ups for 6 new camping spots. We have sold 850 OHV permits this year.

City Administrator: We will probably put street sealing on hold until next year due to the weather and try to do extra in 2018. Jordan Rider started employment with the City of Syracuse today. According the engineers, the lagoon project will probably be put out for bids in 30 to 45 days.

City Clerk: On line bill pay is available and is being used.

Round Table: Councilman Gould asked if there were grants available for storm drainage projects. He also asked if the city needed to test for nitrates in the water.

Councilman Keller made motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Boy and passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

Linda Dinkel, City Clerk

Blake Upton, Mayor