

City Clerk's Office  
September 8, 2014  
5:00 p.m.

The governing body of the City of Syracuse met in regular session at 5:00 p.m. on September 8, 2014. Those present were councilmembers: Dustin Doze, Vance Keller, Steve Schell, Matt Gould and Mayor, Joe Stephens. Employees present were: Brian Bloyd, City Administrator, Linda Dinkel, City Clerk and Sarah Carter-Schwerdfeger, City Treasurer. Leslie Carlholm, Hamilton County Economic Development Director was in attendance. Absent was councilmember, Michele Boy.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance and a prayer.

There were no public concerns. Citizen of the Month, Haley Bennett was unable to attend due to prior obligations.

Councilmember Schell made motion to adopt the agenda; it was seconded by Councilmember Keller. Motion passed unanimously.

The minutes of August 11, 2014 were approved unanimously on motion made by Councilmember Doze and seconded by Councilmember Keller.

Councilmember Doze made motion to approve appropriation ord. #902 in the amount of \$96,057.43. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Keller. All councilmembers voted aye.

Ordinance no. 679, AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC WITHIN THE CORPORATE CITY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF SYRACUSE, KANSAS; INCORPORATING BY REFERENCE THE "STANDARD TRAFFIC ORDINANCE FOR KANSAS CITIES," EDITION 2014, PROVIDING FOR CERTAIN PENALTIES AND REPEALING ORDINANCE NUMBERED 674, was read section by section and as a whole and approved on motion by Councilmember Schell, seconded by Councilmember Keller and all councilmembers voting aye.

Ordinance no. 680, AN ORDINANCE REGULATING THE ENCROACHMENT OR OBSTRUCTION OF SIDEWALKS, RIGHT OF WAYS, STREET, AVENUES AND ALLEYS OF THE CITY OF SYRACUSE, KANSAS, was read section by section and as a whole and was approved on motion by Councilmember Schell, seconded by Councilmember Doze and all councilmembers voting aye.

The franchise agreement with Wheatland Electric was tabled until the next meeting.

The dog ordinance revision was sent to committee.

At 5:25 p.m., Councilmember Doze made motion to go into executive session for discussing non-elected personnel for 15 minutes, with Rob Gale, Brian Bloyd and Linda Dinkel present for the executive session. Councilmember Keller seconded the motion. All members voted aye.

The Council resumed open session at 5:40 p.m.

Councilmember Keller made motion to go into executive session for discussing non-elected personnel for 15 minutes, with Rob Gale, Brian Bloyd and Linda Dinkel present for the executive session. Motion

was seconded by Councilmember Schell and passed with all councilmembers voting aye. Council resumed open session at 5:55 p.m.

The Christmas Parade date and time was discussed. Christmas Parade will be held on December 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

REPORTS:

Economic Development: Leslie Carlholm told the City Council that the Youth Attraction Plan was almost done. Carlholm discussed having a youth representative on the sand park committee and Sam's pond committee. Carlholm told the council that she had information about the proposed motel that she would give to interested parties if they contacted her.

Sand Park: Labor Day activities were not attended quite as well as last year. Crew is trimming trees and creating more spots for dry camps. It is hard to find fish to stock the pond at this time, due to area lakes and ponds having more water than in the previous few years.

City Administrator: The city crew has located our utility lines for the new construction project at the school. City crew helped the hospital place the new MRI building. Bloyd has talked to KDOT about re-locating water lines when KDOT does the project on south highway 27. There should be no cost to the City of Syracuse to relocate the lines.

Mayor: Joe Stephens will be conducting a concealed carry class for schoolteachers this month.

City Clerk: Dinkel attended a meeting in Hays about the State Employee Health Plan and the changes being made. Flu shots will be available on October 2<sup>nd</sup> from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for employees and city council members.

Round Table: Councilmember Schell asked about two properties that may need nuisance letters sent to the owner because of weeds.

There was no other business before the council. Councilmember Keller made motion to adjourn. Councilmember Schell seconded the motion and the same was passed unanimously.

ATTEST:

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Linda Dinkel  
City Clerk

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Joe Stephens  
Mayor