

CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jacob LaRue presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commissioners Present: Mayor LaRue and Commissioners Kevin Berthot, Sam Budreau, Phillip Chaney, and Tim Fairchild.

Staff Present: Todd Newman, City Manager; Ryan Follmer, Assistant City Manager; Tina Bailey, City Clerk; David Brake, City Attorney; Cory Kepley, Chief Finance Officer; Wayne Robinson, Public Works Supervisor; and Jeff Mitchell, Fire Chief.

PROCLAMATIONS

NATIONAL BUSINESS WOMEN’S WEEK OCTOBER 16-22, 2022

Jacob LaRue, Mayor of the City of Chanute, proclaimed October 16-22, 2022, as Chanute’s National Business Women’s Week and urged all citizens in Chanute, all civic and fraternal groups, all educational associations, all news media and other community organizations to join in this salute to women by encouraging and promoting the celebration of the achievements of all women as they contribute daily to our economic, civic and cultural purposes.

Chanute’s BPW representative Sharon Carpenter and Kathy Williams accepted the Proclamation.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH – OCTOBER 2022

Jacob LaRue, Mayor of the City of Chanute, proclaimed the month of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and urged Chanute citizens to work together to eliminate domestic violence from our community.

Hope Unlimited representative Lisa Chauncy accepted the Proclamation.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Commissioner Tim Fairchild.

AGENDA

Mayor LaRue requested the removal of Item 10D-Resolution Declaring Property at 1203 North Steuben in Violation of Chanute Municipal Codes. He also requested the addition of Item 6D-Request to Hold Annual Spook Parade and Item 9A-Orizon Redemption of Industrial Revenue Bond, Series 2017. The amended Agenda was approved on motion by Commissioner Budreau, seconded by Commissioner Fairchild. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda is used to approve non-controversial or routine matters by a single motion and vote. The Consent Agenda consisted of the following:

- Minutes – City Commission – September 26, 2022
- Warrant Register dated September 28, 2022
- Warrant Register dated October 5, 2022
- Review Various Board and Committee Minutes and Reports
- Request to Temporarily Close South Steuben, between 1st Street and 2nd Street on the Evening of October 31, 2022
- Request to Temporarily Close the 200 Block of West Elm for Halloween Trick or Treaters
- Request to Hold Annual Spook Parade – October 27, 2022

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Budreau, to approve the Consent Agenda. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bernard Neyer, 319 South Lafayette commented on refuse rates, the skate park, and fiber.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

Jillian Wilson, Main Street Chanute Executive Director reported on the Artist Alley Event and thanked the City for their support.

Vivian Rowan, 1220 W Sycamore commented on the City's meter charging stations and inquired about the City's cost to operate the stations.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

City Manager Todd Newman will research this item and include an update in his weekly bulletin.

Ms. Rowan also commented on the need for utility assistance funds and Operation Soup Line.

General discussion was made.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Todd Newman reported that TranSystem Representative Shawn Turner would be at the October 24, 2022 regular City Commission meeting to provide an update on the 21st & Plummer Project. Mr. Newman also plans to invite the Neosho County Commission to attend the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

ORIZON REDEMPTION OF INDUSTRIAL REVENUE BOND, SERIES 2017

Orizon is requesting the City for a resolution authorizing the redemption and payment of the industrial revenue bond series 2017. Payment in full to the bondholders will end the City's obligation to hold title to the Orizon real estate and the mayor will execute a special warranty

deed deeding the properties back to Orizon Aerostructures. LLC. The proposed resolution will also authorize the mayor to execute a bill of sale and a release of the bond documents.

The City of Chanute is not responsible for repayment of the Orizon Industrial Revenue Bonds. The City's bond counsel, Gilmore & Bell, have prepared the required documents.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Attorney David Brake.

Motion made by Commissioner Chaney, seconded by Commissioner Budreau, to Adopt a Resolution of the Governing Body of the City of Chanute, Kansas Authorizing the Redemption and Payment of Its Taxable Industrial Revenue Bonds, Series 2017, (Orizon Aerostructures-Chanute Project) and the Sale and Conveyance of Certain Property to Orizon Aerostructures, LLC. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

The Resolution was assigned: No. 2022-226

BREAK

The City Commission took a five (5) minute break, 7:05 p.m. – 7:10 p.m.

FIRE PROTECTION ORDINANCES FOR BIG CREEK, CANVILLE, AND TIOGA TOWNSHIPS

At the September 26, 2022, Chanute City Commission meeting the Commissioners voted to increase the fire protection contract costs to Big Creek Township, Canville Township, and Tioga Township by 2.5%.

Based on the action by the Commission, the required Ordinances are back before the Commission for approval. A copy of the Ordinances was provided to the City Commission for review.

General discussion was made.

Motion made by Commissioner Chaney, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to pass the Ordinances establishing 2023 Fire Protection Contract Price reflecting a 2.5% increase for Big Creek, Canville, and Tioga Townships. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

The Ordinances were assigned: No. S-551, No. S-552, and No. S-553.

NEW PUMPER FIRE TRUCK

On August 22, 2022 the City Commission allowed the fire department to obtain bids to replace our current E2, a 2001 E-1 Pumper. The engine is now over 20 years old and is due to be replaced by NFPA standards that states fire engines be placed out of service after 20 years. After sending out bid packets to multiple vendors we received four (4) bid proposals. A copy of the bid proposals was provided to the City Commission for review.

After reviewing the bid proposals, it is the Fire Department Truck Committee's recommendation to accept the Sutphen bid, option #4 – 100% prepay for a total of: \$762,402.91.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman and Assistant City Manager Ryan Follmer.

Motion made by Commissioner Chaney, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to approve that the Chanute Fire Department moves forward with the bid from Sutphen. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

DOWNTOWN RESTROOM LOCATION

At the September 27, 2021 meeting it was approved to move forward with the Downtown Restroom Project. At the June 27, 2022 meeting it was a general consensus to postpone the project in hopes that materials and sub-contractors are more readily available. After completing a soil condition report and locating all utilities in the proposed location it is recommended to change locations of the structure.

Changing locations would decrease the construction cost and time associated with obtaining compaction for a block structure and would prevent the need to relocate several existing utilities.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman and Assistant City Manager Ryan Follmer.

Motion made by Commissioner Budreau, seconded by Commissioner Fairchild, to approve the City Manager to proceed with the project and the new location as presented. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

TRASH TRUCK

During the budget work sessions, City Staff presented a HEIL Multi-Role Refuse Collection Vehicle. City Commissioners requested this topic be placed on a future Agenda for further discussion.

At the September 12, 2022 regular Commission Meeting, John Krejci Jr. with Armor Equipment gave a presentation on a new trash truck. There was a consensus from the Governing Body for City Staff to move forward with the Trash Truck bid process.

Funding would need to allocate \$600,000.00 from ARPA with the remaining \$240,000.00 coming from the Electric Fund.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman, City Attorney David Brake, and Public Works Supervisor Wayne Robinson.

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Chaney to approve purchase of two (2) 24-yard Heil Multi-Pack Side/Rear Load Sanitation Trucks as presented.

Voting Aye: Mayor LaRue and Commissioners Berthot, Chaney, and Fairchild

Voting Nay: Commissioner Budreau

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION ON NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROJECT – DEBRA FINLEY

In October 2021, the City Commission approved a Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Application from Debra Finley for the property located at 823 South Central.

The CRDA is requesting on Ms. Finley’s behalf that a 6-month extension to April 12, 2023 be granted on this property application so that she may still benefit from the NRP while completing their project.

The Neighborhood Revitalization Program adopted by the Chanute City Commission does state in the “Application Process” section (Item 7) that projects must be completed within one year from the date the application is approved. There is an exception made in Item 7 of the “Criteria for Eligibility” section of the document that says, “The City Commission has the authority to grant extensions up to 2 years for commercial properties and 1 year for residential properties, if conditions warrant.”

Motion made by Commissioner Chaney, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to approve the request for a six-month extension for Debra Finley’s Neighborhood Revitalization Project. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION ON NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION PROJECT – CHANUTE BUILDING MANAGEMENT LLC

In October 2021, the City Commission approved a Neighborhood Revitalization Program (NRP) Application from Chanute Building Management LLC for the property located at 3 West Main.

The CRDA is requesting on Chanute Building Management LLC’s behalf that a 6-month extension to April 12, 2023 be granted on this property application so that they may still benefit from the NRP while completing their project.

The Neighborhood Revitalization Program adopted by the Chanute City Commission does state in the “Application Process” section (Item 7) that projects must be completed within one year from the date the application is approved. There is an exception made in Item 7 of the “Criteria for Eligibility” section of the document that says, “The City Commission has the authority to grant extensions up to 2 years for commercial properties and 1 year for residential properties, if conditions warrant.”

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to approve the request for a six-month extension for Chanute Building Management LLC Neighborhood Revitalization Project. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 528 NORTH HIGHLAND

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 419 WEST 3RD

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 320 WEST 6TH

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 902 NORTH WASHINGTON

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 1812 SOUTH EDITH

PROPERTY RESOLUTION – 1016 SOUTH SANTA FE

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Berthot, to adopt resolution declaring that the above properties are in violation of Chanute Municipal Codes and authorizing abatement of certain nuisances as presented. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously.

The Resolutions were assigned: No. 2022-227, No. 2022-228, No. 2022-229, No. 2022-230, No. 2022-231, and No. 2022-232.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Chaney commented on the Iroquois 7th Generation Principle based on a philosophy that the decisions we make today should result in a sustainable world seven generations into the future.

General discussion was made.

Commissioner Berthot commented on the Octave Chanute Glider and the Santa Fe Dog Park and general maintenance of these items.

General discussion was made. Comments were made by City Manager Todd Newman.

City Manager Newman will research and report back to the City Commission.

Commissioner Fairchild thanked City staff for supporting community activities. He also suggested that when the City accepts projects that future maintenance of the project should be considered.

Commissioner Budreau commented on the new downtown mural and its positive reflection for change.

Mayor LaRue commented on the Chanute Blue Comets.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Fairchild, seconded by Commissioner Budreau, to adjourn. Voting Aye: All. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Tina L Bailey, CMC
City Clerk